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**BENDIX HONORS ELYRIA EMPLOYEES WITH
2010 EXCELLENCE IN BENDIX LEADERSHIP AWARDS**

Cifranic and McCollough Recognized for Superior Talent and Dedication

ELYRIA, Ohio – June 10, 2010 – Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC honored two local area employees for their outstanding leadership and superior talent with 2010 Excellence in Bendix Leadership Awards. Those honored include Elyria, Ohio-based employees, Andy Cifranic, Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake program manager; and Mark McCollough, product line director – air treatment.

Also named as a 2010 recipient was Bill Schubert, Bendix Huntington, Ind., business unit manager – manufacturing.

The annual Excellence in Bendix Leadership Award – the highest individual achievement an employee can receive – recognizes employees who may or may not hold a leadership title or manage others in their everyday role, but who exemplify leadership each day in their behavior and actions. Award recipients are nominated by their peers and recommended by their managers for their ability to bring to life the vital leadership characteristics of quality, teamwork, results, and excellence.

“As our company continues to evolve to meet the needs of a dynamic marketplace, we believe it is vital to pause to recognize the individuals who enable us to continue our legacy of commitment,” said Joe McAleese, president and CEO of Bendix. “Through this award we are acknowledging employees who demonstrate leadership on a daily basis, and we celebrate the unique contributions they make in their day-to-day roles at Bendix. Using their superior talent,

outstanding commitment, and determination; Andy, Mark, and Bill have realized their own potential and are an inspiration to us all.”

Bendix, an Elyria-based employer for 80 years, designs and manufactures air brake charging and control systems and components, vehicle modules, and leading-edge safety technologies for medium- and heavy-duty trucks, tractors, trailers, buses, and other commercial vehicles around the world. Bendix employs approximately 2,000 people among its primary facilities in Elyria, Ohio; Huntington, Ind.; Bowling Green, Ky.; Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; and Acuña, Mexico.

Cifranic, a 10-year Bendix employee, began his career with Bendix as a co-op student. During his tenure, Cifranic took an international assignment in Munich, Germany, at Bendix parent company, the Knorr-Bremse Group. Cifranic returned to Elyria in 2006, assuming the role of Bendix brand manager. From 2008-2009, Cifranic also served the commercial vehicle industry as co-chairman for the Motor Equipment Manufacturers Association’s Brand Protection Council.

“Andy Cifranic grew up in our business and has always had a passion for the work. He views every situation as a learning opportunity and every obstacle as an opportunity to grow,” McAleese said. “He consistently demonstrates a level of credibility and integrity that can only be established by competence, commitment, and loyalty. Andy brings effective, balanced leadership to each project by serving as an advocate for the customer, the team, and the business as a whole.”

A resident of North Ridgeville, Ohio, Cifranic received his MBA from Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio, and his bachelor’s degree in accounting from Kettering University, Flint, Mich.

McCollough, who has been with Bendix for six years, was recognized for his commitment to excellence and teamwork. McCollough joined Bendix in 2004 as engineering manager – air compressors. Prior to joining Bendix, he served as engineering manager at EFD, Inc., a Nordson Company located in East Providence, R.I. He also held a number of positions at the Nordson Corporation branch in Amherst, Ohio. McCollough began his career as an engineering co-op for General Electric Aircraft Engines in Cincinnati, Ohio, and then went on to work in product engineering at Ford Motor Company.

“Mark defines excellence and commitment by never settling for anything less than his best, and he is an outstanding role model for those around him,” McAleese said. “Teamwork is the backbone of his leadership philosophy, and through this, he embodies what we strive for in our leaders. Mark has an innate ability to build and maintain strong relationships both within the

Bendix and Knorr-Bremse organization, as well as with his colleagues and customers across the globe.”

McCollough received his master's of science degree from Case Western Reserve University, and his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio. He and his family are residents of Amherst, Ohio.

About Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC

Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems, a member of the Knorr-Bremse Group, develops and supplies leading-edge active safety technologies, air brake charging, and control systems and components under the Bendix® brand name for medium- and heavy-duty trucks, tractors, trailers, buses, and other commercial vehicles throughout North America. An industry pioneer, employing more than 2,000 people, Bendix is driven to deliver solutions for improved vehicle performance, safety, and overall operating cost. Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems is headquartered in Elyria, Ohio, with manufacturing plants in Acuña, Mexico; Bowling Green, Ky.; Huntington, Ind.; and Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. For more information, call 1-800-AIR-BRAKE (1-800-247-2725) or visit www.bendix.com. Follow Bendix on Twitter at http://twitter.com/Bendix_CVS.

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