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KENWORTH T680 NOW ALL-DISC:

BENDIX® ADB22X™ STANDARD ON FRONT AND REAR AXLES

*Leading Truck Maker Completes Standardization of Bendix Air Disc Brakes,
Optimizing Braking Safety and Performance on Flagship On-Highway Model*

ELYRIA, Ohio – July 9, 2018 – The Bendix® ADB22X™ air disc brake will now come standard on all axles of the Kenworth T680, further enhancing the stopping power of Kenworth Truck Company’s flagship on-highway tractor. Since 2013, the top-performing ADB22X has been offered as standard equipment on T680 steer axles.

“The Kenworth T680 has a well-earned reputation as a top performer – thanks, in part, to the diligence of the Kenworth team when it comes to safety technology adoption. In addition to air disc brakes on all axles, standard equipment includes the Bendix® ESP® full-stability system and Bendix® Wingman® Advanced™ – A Collision Mitigation Technology,” said Scott Burkhart, Bendix vice president – sales, marketing, and business development. “We’re very proud of our long partnership with Kenworth, and we look forward to millions and millions of miles of safe performance.”

Bendix testing has shown that from 60 miles per hour, a tractor equipped with air disc brakes on all axles stops about 15 feet shorter than one equipped with steer-axle ADBs alone. Air disc brakes also offer additional safety benefits by virtually eliminating brake fade and brake steer, providing straighter, more consistent stops.

“Fleets and truck operators purchasing new Kenworth T680s can benefit from the superior performance, automotive-like feel, lightweight design, and ease of maintenance offered

by Bendix® ADB22X™ front and rear air disc brakes,” said Kurt Swihart, Kenworth marketing director. “These brakes also exceed the federal government’s RSD (reduced stopping distance) requirements for enhanced safety, offer extended brake change intervals, and provide weight reduction.”

The ADB22X is produced by Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake LLC (BSFB), a joint venture between Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC and Dana Commercial Vehicle Products, LLC. Since launching the ADB22X in 2005, BSFB has produced well over 2 million units, reflecting an ever-increasing demand for air disc brakes in the commercial vehicle industry. Worldwide, Bendix and its parent company, Knorr-Bremse, are the clear global leader in air disc brake production at nearly 40 million and counting.

Advantages Add Up

Equipping the Bendix ADB22X on all axles of a tractor helps reduce a fleet’s total cost of ownership (TCO), in addition to providing safety and performance benefits.

In the garage, uptime is enhanced thanks to extended friction service intervals and the potential to eliminate a friction change – depending on fleet operator trade cycles, mileage, and other factors. If a friction change is required, the ADB advantage means pad changes take just one-quarter the time of drum bakes once the wheel is removed.

The Bendix air disc brake design also eliminates the risk of cracked friction resulting from rust jacking, while its internal self-adjustment mechanism helps lower the risk of brakes being found out of adjustment during inspection – which can affect Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA) scoring.

Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake contributes to the full lineup of Bendix safety and trailer solutions, including the array of commercially available Bendix® brand air disc brakes and foundation drum brakes produced at its state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The broad range of Bendix wheel-end offerings includes air disc and drum brake systems, automatic slack adjusters, spring brakes, friction, and remanufactured brake shoes.

Through improved vehicle performance and efficiency, plus unparalleled post-sales support, BSFB helps strengthen return on investment in technologies that enhance vehicle and driver safety.

For the latest information on truck operation, maintenance, and safety, including videos, blog posts, podcasts, white papers, and Bendix Tech Tips, visit Bendix’s Knowledge Dock® at knowledge-dock.com. To learn more about Bendix air disc brakes, call 1-800-AIR-BRAKE or visit foundationbrakes.com.

About Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake LLC

Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake LLC combines and expands the complementary wheel-end foundation brake technologies of two global leaders – Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC and Dana Commercial Vehicle Products, LLC. The joint venture, formed in July 2004, is a single, complete source for OEM brake system design, manufacturing, hardware, and support for all foundation brake components and actuation systems, as well as all-makes coverage of nearly 50,000 medium- and heavy-duty aftermarket parts. Contact us at 1-866-610-9709 or visit foundationbrakes.com. Stay connected and informed through Bendix expert podcasts, blog posts, videos, and other resources at knowledge-dock.com. Follow Bendix on Twitter at twitter.com/Bendix_CVS. Log on and learn from the Bendix experts at brake-school.com. And to learn more about career opportunities at Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake, visit bendix.com/careers.

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