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Trucking Industry Honours Atlantic Canadians

(Dieppe, NB) – Nine Atlantic Canadians were honoured Thursday, December 13, 2018 for their outstanding contributions and dedication to the trucking industry and their communities across the region. The honourees were celebrated by the Atlantic Provinces Trucking Association, its board of directors, and representatives of trucking companies from across Atlantic Canada at the APTA Annual Awards Dinner held at the Delta Beauséjour Hotel in Moncton, New Brunswick.

"The Atlantic Provinces Trucking Association proudly recognizes outstanding individuals who work behind the wheel, in the terminals, and at the desks of trucking companies and make significant contributions to our industry's success and growth throughout Atlantic Canada," says APTA Executive Director Jean Marc Picard.

Congratulations to the recipients:

- Good Samaritan: Harold MacAulay of Armour Transportation Systems
- Helping Hand: Karen Dorey of Eassons Transportation Group
- Professional Driver Coach: Bill Purdy of Clarke Road Transport
- Safety to Motor Transportation: Rhéal Richard of Atlantic Pacific Transport Ltd.
- Dispatcher of the Year: Patrisha Flemming of Classic Freight Systems (2011) Ltd.
- Driver of the Year: Daniel J. Carruthers of Midland Transport Limited
- CTA/Volvo Trucks Canada National Driver of the Year: Jean-Claude Robichaud of Atlantic Pacific Transport Ltd.
- 2017 Service to the Industry: Vicki McKibbon of Armour Transportation Systems
- 2018 Service to the Industry: Paul Easson of Eassons Transportation Group

"Thousands of exceptional people work in the trucking industry in Atlantic Canada, and their contributions consistently go above and beyond their everyday responsibilities," explains Dave Miller, APTA Chair. "Their efforts can range from small acts of kindness, to heroic acts that save lives."

"These individuals have been nominated and recognized by their companies and by their peers, and that makes the recognition even more special," explains Miller.



Pictured from left to right: Karen Dorey, Paul Easson, Bill Purdy, Jean-Claude Robichaud, Rhéal Richard, Daniel J. Carruthers, Patrisha Flemming, Vicki McKibbon and Harold MacAulay

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