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2010 Manitoba, National Professional Truck Driving Championships On Track

Winnipeg - May 5, 2010 - Organizers for the 2010 Manitoba Professional Truck Driving Championship and 2010 National Professional Truck Driving Championship are indicating that both events are on track for this year. "We have been working on organizing these events since last year," says committee chair Darcy Olson. He adds that, "we are moving into high gear now as these dates approach. As far as this committee is concerned, this is an exciting time. We are really looking forward to both of these events."

The 2010 Manitoba Professional Truck Driving Championship will be held on Saturday, June 26th, with the driving challenge, written test, and defects station all held at Peterbilt Manitoba Ltd (1895 Brookside Blvd, Winnipeg). The 2010 Manitoba Professional Truck Driving Championship Driver Awards Banquet will be held later that evening, where awards for winners of the day's events will be presented, as well as awards for Rookie of the Year, Team Award, Bjornson Memorial Award, Grand Champion, and MTA-Volvo Trucks Canada Driver of the Year Award. The banquet will be held at Canad Inns Polo Park.

Further, plans for the 2010 National Professional Truck Driving Championship (September 16-19) are also moving forward as planned. "At this time, all of the provincial and regional trucking associations plan to send participants to the Nationals. That is really positive news as that will make this truly a national event," says Olson. The written test and defects station will be held at Canad Inns Polo Park, and the driving challenge will be right across the street at Canad Inns Stadium.

"We have already had a number of past volunteers and participants get in touch with us about the 2010 events. People are eager to be a part of things this year, which is really rewarding. These events are very important to the Manitoba Trucking Association as it is one way we can show out thanks to the drivers. We have some excellent sponsors who have made it clear, year after year, that they also support this event. We are always grateful to work with them," says Susan Green of the Manitoba Trucking Association.

Registration forms for the 2010 Manitoba Professional Truck Driving Championship can be found on the Manitoba Trucking Association's website (www.trucking.mb.ca on the home page and under "Events & Seminars"). Participants are reminded that they must submit a driver's abstract dated no earlier than May 14, 2010. The registration deadline is June 14, 2010 for the provincial event. Interested sponsors for both events can contact the MTA office for further information (204-632-6600).

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