

Women in Trucking -- It's a Women's World at R & R Trucking, Inc.

Almost 60 Percent of R & R's Driving Force is Women

Joplin, Mo. (PRWEB) May 10, 2017 -- There is no debate the trucking industry is dominated by male drivers. According to a September 2016 article in Trucks.com, female drivers make up only 5.1 percent of the total truck driving force in the U.S. But one Midwest truckload carrier is bucking that trend by creating a workplace that attracts significantly more women.

R & R Trucking, Inc., a specialized carrier of sensitive cargo, reports that almost 60 percent of their driving force is women. R & R Chief Operating Officer Vonda Cooper believes women truck drivers are attracted to R & R because of the company's guaranteed pay program, great home time policy, and family atmosphere.

"Last year our top-10 company teams at R & R averaged over \$131,000, 76 cents per mile, and earned two days off for each over-the-road (OTR) week out," Cooper says.

Glenna Smith is sold on R & R's benefits. She and her husband, both military veterans, have been driving for R & R for over two years. "It's a good paying job, and you will never be disappointed if you come on board," Smith says.

Professional truck driver Susan Hall says R & R is like family, and her plan is to drive for the company until she retires. "It's a wonderful place to work. Whenever I call in to talk to my dispatcher, or the shop, or almost anybody here, they know me by my first name," Hall says. "They even knew my dog's name and kept treats for him."

Kevin McKelvy, R & R Vice President of Administration, says the company hires mostly teams. "The makeup of our team drivers represents a diverse demographic," McKelvy says. "We have male and female teams, female teams, male teams and teams who pair with other family members — the door is wide open for individuals who want to be together and drive professionally for a living."

According to the company, a driver's safety record is a key factor when interviewing and hiring. "Our statistics demonstrate that women truck drivers at R & R have significantly fewer accidents than their male counterparts," says David Vargyas, R & R Safety Director.

R & R has partnered up with the Women in Trucking Association (WIT), a non-profit organization whose mission is to encourage the employment of women, promote their accomplishments, and minimize obstacles faced by women in the trucking industry.

"Our goal in becoming a WIT sponsor is to help support all women in trucking and to further expand the message that R & R is a great place for professional women truck drivers to work," Cooper says. READ MORE

For more information about R & R Women in Trucking, contact R & R's recruiting department, 866-204-8006, or visit their website — <u>randrtruck.com</u>.

About R & R



R & R Trucking, Inc. – with its group of carriers, AATCO and NEI – is North America's largest trucking company that specializes in the transport of sensitive cargo. Their logistic and equipment capabilities encompass tanker, dry van, flat bed, dromedary and specialized transportation equipment. Its mission is to provide transportation services to customers safely and efficiently by utilizing quality personnel and resources.



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