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VIRGINIA TRUCKING ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

RICHMOND, VA (October 11, 2011) – James G. “Jay” Smith, III, President of Cox Transportation Services of Ashland, Virginia, has been elected Chairman of the Virginia Trucking Association (VTA), the statewide trade association of Virginia’s trucking industry.

Jay joined the staff of The Cox Companies in 1988 while still attending Virginia Commonwealth University. He graduated in 1990 with a B.S. in Business Administration and Management. Upon graduation, Jay accepted the position of Systems Supervisor for Cox Transportation Services, Inc. to begin his full-time career. Since then he has served as Office Manager, General Manager, Vice President Administration and Executive Vice President, prior to having received his current appointment. Jay is originally from the Richmond, VA area where his family was involved for many years in the household moving business. In the role of President, Jay oversees the operation of Cox Transportation Services and Cox Truck Brokerage on a day to day basis.

Cox Transportation Services is one of the nation’s top motor carriers hauling a wide variety of general commodities, providing primarily “just in time” motor carrier services in truckload quantities between the east and west coasts. Cox Transportation Services has terminal facilities in Ashland, VA; Irving, TX; Greensboro, NC; and Hampton, VA. Cox Truck Brokerage is a licensed property broker, providing logistics services to assist shippers and receivers in managing the motor carrier selection process . Both Cox companies are headquartered in Ashland, VA.

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The other VTA officers elected are:

1st Vice Chairman – Harry G. Norris, President, Howells Motor Freight, Inc., Roanoke, Va.

2nd Vice Chairman - Richard H. Eanes*, President, Warren Trucking Co., Martinsville, Va.

3rd Vice Chairman - James R. Harris, Jr.*, CEO, Harris Transportation System, Madison Heights Va.

Treasurer - Gary Okes, Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer, Estes Express Lines, Richmond, Va.

Secretary/President & CEO - Dale Bennett, Virginia Trucking Association, Richmond, Va.

In addition to the above-named officers, elected to the VTA Executive Committee were:

Timmy Nelson, Public Affairs Manager, UPS, West Chester, Pa.; Gary W. Short*, Founder & CEO, Atlantic Bulk Carrier Corp., Providence Forge, Va.; Richard O. “Rick” Harrell, III*, President, R. O. Harrell, Inc., South Boston, Va.; Thomas W. Mohr, President, Highway Motors, Inc. Roanoke, Va. ; T. Guy Wilson, Executive V.P., Wilson Trucking Corp., Fishersville, Va.; Douglas Z. Houff*, President, Houff Transfer, Weyers Cave, Va.; and R. Carl Bumgarner*, President & CEO of Fleetmaster Express, Inc. of Roanoke, Va.

The VTA Board of Directors is comprised of the Executive Committee and the following elected members: (* Denotes Past President of the VTA)

G. R. Barkley, Jr., Colonial Ford Trucks, Richmond

Frank Borum, D. D. Jones Transportation Services, Chesapeake

David W. Chewning, Wyatt Transfer, Richmond

John A. Cox*, Cox Transportation Services, Ashland

Barry Dodson, Hilldrup Moving & Storage, Stafford

Russell Ellett, Virginia Truck Center, Roanoke

Robey W. Estes, Jr., Estes Express Lines, Richmond

John W. Fain*, UPS Freight, Inc., Richmond

T. Nelson Flippo, Flippo Lumber Corp., Doswell

Mark B. Goodwin*, LeClairRyan, Richmond

John P. Harlow, Norfolk Truck Center, Norfolk

C. Duncan Quicke, SVCC Truck Driver Training School, Blackstone

Thomas F. Rust, Loudoun Milk Transportation, Purcellville

Robert E. Speight, Jr., Estes Specialized Services, Richmond

Thomas D. Thayer, International Truck Sales of Richmond, Richmond

C. L. “Chuck” Wilson, Wilson Trucking Corporation, Fishersville

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