

## **Meritor WABCO Pneumatic Brake Control Valves Now Available on Freightliner Vehicles**

**LOUISVILLE, Ky.** (March 20, 2002) — Meritor WABCO Vehicle Control Systems announces the availability of its pneumatic brake control valve package as optional equipment on Freightliner Century Class, Columbia, Argosy and Coronado vehicles.

Beginning immediately, Freightliner dealers can spec the complete package on their customers' vehicles. Included in the package are: quick release valves; dual circuit foot valves; dash valves; tractor protection valves; spring brake control valves; relay valves; check valves; and trailer hand brake valves. The valve package is engineered as a complete system for optimal performance and less maintenance.

Dennis Sandberg, president of Meritor WABCO Vehicle Control Systems said, "This package further demonstrates our continued commitment and capability to provide the market with complete vehicle control systems that improve vehicle performance and efficiency."

The company's pneumatic brake valve offering features die-cast aluminum and engineered-grade composite technology that resists corrosion and delivers consistent performance in a wide range of conditions. The use of push-to-connect fittings and standard NPT ports allow for installation and service flexibility.

Brake control valves are just one strategic element offered by Meritor WABCO and ArvinMeritor as part of their complete braking system. Other braking system components include: anti-lock braking system, electronic braking systems, air dryers, air compressors, foundation brakes, automatic slack adjusters, friction materials, and hubs and drums.

Meritor WABCO\* is a joint venture of ArvinMeritor, (NYSE:**ARM**) and the WABCO Automotive Products Group of American Standard Companies Inc. (NYSE:**ASD**).

American Standard is a global manufacturer with market leading positions in three businesses: Trane®, the United States' leading supplier of central air conditioning systems and service for commercial and institutional buildings and a premier brand for residential buildings; American Standard® and Ideal Standard®, the world's largest manufacturer of plumbing products; and WABCO®, the leading supplier of electronic braking and control systems to the world's manufacturers of heavy-duty trucks and buses. The company employs approximately 58,000 people in 36 countries. American Standard is included in the Standard & Poor's MidCap 400 Index.

ArvinMeritor Inc. is a premier \$7-billion global supplier of a broad range of integrated systems, modules and components to the motor vehicle industry. The company serves light vehicle, commercial truck, trailer and specialty original equipment manufacturers and related aftermarkets. In addition, ArvinMeritor is a leader in coil coating applications. The company is headquartered in Troy, Mich., and employs 33,000 people at more than 150 manufacturing facilities in 27 countries. ArvinMeritor common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ARM. For more information, visit the company's Web site at: <http://www.arvinmeritor.com/>.

\*Meritor WABCO products are available in the United States, Mexico and Canada.

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