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PGT Trucking Introduces First Class 8 Zero-Emissions Truck into Its Pittsburgh Fleet

Aliquippa, PA, July 18, 2023 – PGT Trucking, Inc., a leader in flatbed transportation, is elevating their sustainable shipping solutions with the addition of a Nikola Class 8 zero-emissions truck to their Pittsburgh fleet. With ongoing advancements in battery technology and charging infrastructure, electric trucks are poised to play a crucial role in the future of the trucking industry, providing cleaner, more sustainable delivery methods.

“For the last few years, PGT Trucking has worked closely with our customers to better understand their company-wide sustainability initiatives,” said Gregg Troian, PGT Trucking President. “As their shipping partner, we needed to make investments within our fleet that would support these green energy commitments. With the addition of the Nikola Tre BEV to our Pittsburgh fleet, we will be poised to service local customers with the most cutting edge and sustainable equipment on the market.”

Allegheny County has been historically affected by various forms of pollution due to its industrial past and urban environment. The American Lung Association’s 2023 State of the Air Report ranked Allegheny County as the 25th most polluted place to live in America.



PGT Trucking operates more than a quarter of its business in Western Pennsylvania, where the company was founded and remains headquartered today. Placing a zero-emissions vehicle into service in the Pittsburgh region was an intentional move by PGT Trucking, as the company looks to reduce their carbon footprint starting with their home base. It is estimated that a short-haul delivery made using this truck will eliminate PGT’s carbon emissions by more than 105,000 pounds annually.

The use of battery electric trucks brings several benefits to a trucking fleet and its customers, including the reduction of air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. By eliminating tailpipe emissions, electric

trucks help improve air quality, particularly in urban areas where trucks are heavily concentrated. According to a study by the North American Council for Freight Efficiency (NACFE), if 50% of the heavy-duty regional haul tractors were replaced with battery electric trucks, the industry could save an estimated 29.4 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent annually.

“It's important to note that while pollution remains a concern, efforts are being made by companies like PGT Trucking and our customers to improve air quality in Allegheny County,” added Troian. “PGT’s Future of Flatbed® program, focused on revolutionizing flatbed transportation, will positively impact the industry by reducing CO2 emissions, increasing operational efficiency and attracting young talent.”

[Click here](#) to learn more about PGT’s new Nikola Tre BEV unit.

About PGT Trucking:

PGT Trucking, Inc., founded in 1981, is a multi-service transportation firm offering flatbed, dedicated, international and specialized services. Headquartered in Aliquippa, PA, PGT is the leader in progressive freight transportation and fleet evolution. PGT operates over 1,000 power units and 1,500 trailers, exceeding customer expectations, focused on the *Future of Flatbed*®. PGT was recognized as a 2023 Best Fleets to Drive For®. At PGT Trucking, “Safety is Everyone’s Job – All the Time.” Visit www.pgtruck.com.

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