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Grand Island Express named one of the nation's safest by ATA

(Grand Island, NE) October 26, 2004 - Grand Island Express, based in Grand Island, NE, recently claimed first place at the ATA National Truck & Industrial Safety contest.

"This is a great accomplishment for the entire company," says Doug Ewers, Recruiting Director. "We place great emphasis on safety and are honored to be recognized for those efforts."

The company placed first in the General Commodities Truckload/Line Haul Division between 10-20 million miles category. In addition to receiving an award plaque, the company was also given an improvement certificate.

According to Ewers, Grand Island Express rewards safe drivers with company apparel for every 100,000 safe miles up to 300,000 miles. After 300,000 safe miles they receive a ring and a new diamond is added for every 100,000 miles beyond that. Drivers who achieve the million mile accident free milestone receive a new ring and begin again to accumulate diamonds for every 100,000 safe miles.

Grand Island Express has won first place in the TCA National Fleet Safety contest, first place in the ATA National Truck Safety Contest, fourth place in the ATA's National Truck

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Safety Contest - Local Division, and other awards. The ATA award marks the company as one of the safest truckload fleets in North America.

Grand Island Express was founded in 1967 specializing in the highly demanding just-in-time shipping schedules of the meat and food industries. Now with more than 150 drivers and owner operators, Grand Island Express enjoys a reputation as a trucking company committed to dependable, predictable service that consistently upholds the highest standards of quality, reliability and professionalism. "What makes Grand Island Express a special place for Owner Operator is how we strive to meet their needs. It's part of everything we do here," says Ewers. "We interact with them one-on-one and know each person on a first name basis. We make sure they get the home time they want and family time they need."

For information on career opportunities with the award-winning Grand Island Express, call Doug Ewers at 800-444-7143 or visit www.giexpress.com.