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Clifford Named *School Bus Fleet's* Contractor of the Year

BALTIMORE, M.D.--The National School Transportation Association (NSTA) announced *School Bus Fleet* Magazine's 2011 Contractor of the Year Award to Kevin Clifford on the evening of July 19, 2011. Mr. Clifford, of Huntington Coach Corporation in Huntington Station, New York, has been involved in the school bus transportation industry for over 50 years. In 1969, Clifford was named President of Hendrickson Bus Corporation and Huntington Coach Corporation. Both of which have been in Mr. Clifford's family since 1955. Today, Mr. Clifford has grown the companies to their current size of 900 buses.

Clifford's key to his success is a strong management support team, led by Vice-President Kevin Kalberer and his son, Brendan Clifford.

“Kevin Clifford has dedicated his life to keeping kids as safe as possible when it comes to school transportation,” says Bob Pape, longtime friend of Mr. Clifford and owner of Dell Transportation in New York, **“His company has some of the most modern fleets in the country.”**

Mr. Clifford's companies are recognized as maintaining the finest fleets by the New York Department of Transportation, receiving numerous awards for outstanding fleet maintenance, including recognition as a top ten maintenance program by School Bus Fleet, and NSTA Green Fleet certification of all seven bus yards

Clifford has been an active member of NSTA and the New York State Contractors Association (NYSBCA) where he served as a member of both Boards of Directors and as a President of NYSBCA.

About NSTA

The National School Transportation Association is a trade organization representing school bus contractors; that is, private companies that own and operate school buses and contract with school districts to provide pupil transportation. For 40 years, it has been dedicated to safe, secure and efficient transportation of children, and works to foster improvements in all areas of pupil transportation. Members range from small one- or two-bus companies to larger corporate entities operating more than 1,000 school buses in multiple states. Offices are at 113 South West St., 4th Floor, Alexandria, VA 22314. Phone: (703) 684-3200 or (800) 222-NSTA. Fax (703) 684-3212. E-mail: info@yellowbuses.org

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