

## **Swift Transportation is Recognized as Walmart's 2008 Truckload Carrier of the Year**

Phoenix, A.Z., May 2, 2009 Swift Transportation Co., Inc., North America's Best-in-Class transportation solutions provider, set themselves apart from the field of competitors in the transportation industry this week. Swift was recognized by Walmart as their 2008 Truckload Carrier of the Year. Year after year, Walmart and Swift continue to build a mutually beneficial relationship based on trust and credibility. With its Best-in-Class philosophy, the "New Swift" continues to win awards, and their customers, including the retail giant Walmart, are seeing the benefits. Swift is going above and beyond to service their customers and continues to exceed expectations.

The Walmart and Swift relationship has grown exponentially over the past decade. Their mutual success relies on the collective ability to develop and execute win-win solutions throughout North America. Walmart leverages Swift Transportation's size, strength and stability to anchor the most complex and efficient supply chain in the world. Some highlights of the relationship are as follows:

- Swift has been a major carrier in the Walmart holiday blitz surge program since early 2002.
- Swift has been one of Walmart's largest General Merchandise Traffic carriers for seven years.
- Swift has been one of Walmart's largest Dedicated Grocery Carriers for seven years.
- Swift has been one of the largest Private Fleet Dedicated carriers for Walmart for eight years.
- Swift has been a primary surge carrier handling excess loads during peak shipping seasons which include volume increases of up to 400% in high demand markets such as Los Angeles and Southeast Port cities.

The Carrier of the Year award for 2008 was presented at Swift Transportation's corporate headquarters in Phoenix, AZ. The award was presented by Ken Braunbach - Senior Director, Carrier Relations, Nathan Adams - Senior Manager, Carrier Relations, Brittany Smith - Compliance Manager, Carrier Relations, and Sarai Gomez - Senior Manager, Carrier Relations. Accepting the award on behalf of the entire Swift organization was Jerry Moyes - Founder and CEO, Richard Stocking - President and COO, and Ray Wingfield - VP National Sales.

"We are extremely fortunate to have formed partnerships with many outstanding carriers at Walmart Stores, Inc. We considered many factors when determining the winners of this prestigious award. Your company's overall dedication to customer service, operational excellence, and the ability to offer creative solutions to our complex supply chain opportunities has set you apart from your peers. We commend you for your leadership and ask that you please share our gratitude with all members of your team. Walmart realized the continued pressure and challenges facing the transportation industry. Your ability to rise above these obstacles has won our utmost trust and confidence. We look forward to a long and rewarding partnership" said Ken Braunbach, Senior Director Carrier Relations.

"We are extremely excited and proud to receive the 2008 Walmart Truckload Carrier of the Year award. This award is a testament to our hard work and

the new Best-in-Class philosophy. In our current environment, we are committed to long term relationships and developing solutions to meet and exceed customer expectations. Swift Transportation's suite of solutions is perfectly aligned to be the carrier of the industry. We believe to achieve what we've never had, we must do what we've never done. From our new guiding principles to our customer service and lean six-sigma initiatives, we are innovating and aligning our systems for greatness and success for generations to come" said Richard Stocking - President and COO of Swift Transportation.

Swift Transportation began operations in 1966 with just one truck and has grown as North America's largest truckload carrier. Swift's suite of transportation solutions is unmatched in the industry, with 40 major terminals across the U.S. and Mexico. Swift Transportation is positioned to be your sole source provider for all your transportation needs including: Intermodal, Dry Van, Temperature Controlled, Dedicated, Container, Flatbed and more. Operating over 16,000 trucks with over 45 years of experience in the industry, Swift has the capacity and competency to partner with customers when they need it most.

For more information about Swift Transportation, Inc. including this award, please visit [www.swiftrtrans.com](http://www.swiftrtrans.com), or contact Ray Wingfield (Ray\_Wingfield@swiftrtrans.com).