

The 2018 SmartWay Excellence Awards program for shippers, logistics companies and freight carriers is a recognition program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) SmartWay Transport Partnership. SmartWay is a voluntary, market-driven partnership that aims to reduce emissions and foster the development of a clean and efficient freight supply chain.

Through the SmartWay Excellence Award program, EPA recognizes leading shippers, logistics companies and freight carriers that are optimizing the environmental performance and efficiency of their freight operations, while serving as role models for other businesses to follow. This year we are recognizing 54 companies (twelve shippers, two logistics companies, seven multi-modal and thirty-three truck carriers) with a 2018 SmartWay Excellence Award. This represents about the top 1 to 2 percent of all SmartWay Partners.

The 2018 SmartWay Award recognition is based on partners demonstrating superior performance using SmartWay's second generation environmental assessment system for transportation supply chains. This enhanced system includes a full suite of performance-based SmartWay Tools and benchmarking software that enable each SmartWay partner to complete a thorough assessment of its goods movement and freight activity. Partners also receive a set of comprehensive and detailed reports on their company's environmental performance and operational efficiency.

EPA identified the top 2018 SmartWay Excellence Award recipients from among all shippers, logistics and carrier businesses that participate in SmartWay, are partners in good standing and that provided prior-year performance data to EPA using SmartWay tools.

Candidates in SmartWay's shipper and logistics management categories were evaluated based on their impact, size and commitment to using high-performing SmartWay freight carriers. In 2018, eligible shippers and logistics companies were partners in good standing and used real world data to complete their SmartWay shipper and logistics management tools. The selected candidates achieved a superior level of environmental performance and the highest level of efficiency within SmartWay by demonstrating that they ship more goods per mile, more efficiently, using higher performing SmartWay carrier partners.

Candidates in SmartWay's freight carrier category were evaluated based on their efficiency and environmental performance in moving products and merchandise. In 2018, eligible carriers included large and medium-to-small companies that are partners in good standing within key business sectors, including: truckload, less-than-truckload, refrigerated, package, specialized, expedited, tanker, flatbed, mixed, dray, heavy haul, auto-carrier, moving, barge and multimodal freight operations. Within these respective fleet characterizations and based on their size, these carriers achieved a superior level of environmental performance and the highest level of efficiency within SmartWay by demonstrating that they carry more goods per ton-mile, using less fuel and emitting fewer greenhouse gas and air pollutant emissions.



SmartWay Carrier Company Awards

The 2018 SmartWay Excellence Award for carriers' honor Partners that are moving goods efficiently, with the lowest levels of CO₂, PM and NOx emissions reported among all other SmartWay partners. SmartWay Award winners within the carrier category include companies that operate one or more of following 15 fleet types: truckload, less-than-truckload, refrigerated, package, specialized, expedited, tanker, flatbed, mixed, dray, heavy haul, auto-carrier, moving, barge and multimodal. SmartWay carrier Award winners were selected using environmental and efficiency benchmarks that included CO₂, PM and NO_x emissions measured in grams per ton-mile. These benchmarks were unique to each of the fifteen fleets characterized by SmartWay.

Fleet size and impact were other factors considered. SmartWay's 2018 carrier Award winners represent large, medium and small fleets, as defined by the number of miles traveled. Carriers with miles traveled greater than or equal to one percent (five percent for multimodal) of the total number of miles traveled by all SmartWay partners falling within the same fleet type are large carriers. Carriers with miles traveled that are less than one percent (five percent for multimodal) of the total miles traveled by all SmartWay partners falling in the same fleet type are medium and small carriers.

Within the carrier category, EPA proudly recognizes seven multimodal carriers and thirty-three truck carriers as recipients of the 2018 SmartWay Excellence Award. These high-performing carriers are being recognized for their achievement in finding ways to move more goods, more ton-miles, using less fuel and emitting fewer emissions. They are SmartWay's top performing carrier partners and include large, medium and small carriers that serve as role models for other businesses to follow. This year, two truck carriers (Swift Transportation Co., and Werner Enterprises) had recognition in two fleet categories (truckload dry van and flatbed). Different divisions of CRST are also being recognized: CRST Dedicated Services, Inc. and CRST Expedited, Inc.

Carrier Award Winners

EPA selected these thirty-three SmartWay truck carrier and seven multimodal Award winners because they are the top environmental performers in their individual categories. EPA identified large and medium/small carriers with the best freight efficiency ratings in 15 fleet categories based on the selection criteria available here: SmartWay 2018 Award Criteria (PDF) (2 pp, 624K, EPA-420-F-18-002, February 2018)



Truck Load/Dry Van Carrier Fleet Award Winners_

Truckload carriers generally dedicate their trailers to a single shipper's cargo and typically fill an entire trailer with large amounts of homogeneous cargo.

Large SmartWay truckload carrier Award winners are: CRST Expedited, Inc., Knight Transportation, Inc., and Swift Transportation Co.







Small SmartWay truckload carrier Award winners are: C.A.T. Inc., Halvor Lines, Inc., Raven Transport, Sheehy Mail Contractors, Inc., and Werner Enterprises.











Less Than Truck Load/Dry Van Carrier Fleet Award Winners_

Less than truckload (LTL) carriers collect cargo from different shippers and consolidate that cargo for multiple destinations on one vehicle.

Large SmartWay LTL carrier Award winners are: Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc., and Saia Motor Freight Lines, LLC.





The small SmartWay LTL carrier Award winner is: Owens and Minor Distribution.





Mixed Carrier Fleet Award Winners_

Mixed SmartWay carrier fleets are operating different fleet types, none of which represent 75% or more of the freight operations SmartWay uses to characterize fleets.

Large SmartWay mixed carrier Award winner is: Penske Logistics, LLC.



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Small SmartWay mixed carrier Award winners are: Contract Transportation Systems, Co. (Sherwin Williams), CRST Dedicated Services, Meijer Logistics, LLC, Truline Corporation and Woody Bogler Trucking.



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Package Carrier Fleet Award Winner_

Package carriers deliver and pickup single or small groups of packages or "parcels" to businesses and residences.

There is one large SmartWay package carrier Award winner: DHL Express USA.



Refrigerated Carrier Fleet Award Winners_____

Refrigerated carriers move trailers equipped with temperature controlled refrigeration units to keep freight at a constant temperature.

There are two large refrigerated truck carrier Award winners: *Hirschbach Motor Lines and Navajo Express, Inc.*







There are three refrigerated truck carrier Award winners: Karr Transportation Inc., Logistics Trans West Inc., NFI Industries, and K&S Carriers, LLC.









Specialized Carrier Fleet Award Winners____

Specialized carriers move a range of goods and merchandise and include hopper, livestock, heavy haul, garbage, and utility, among others.

There is one large SmartWay specialized carrier Award winner: Cliff Viessman, Inc.



There is one small SmartWay specialized carrier Award winner: Arlo GLott Trucking, Inc.



Dray Carrier Fleet Award Winner_

Dray carriers operate at ports and railhead connections where freight is picked up and moved to another transfer facility or transport mode terminal.

The large SmartWay dray carrier Award winner is: **Duncan and Son Lines, Inc.**





Flatbed Carrier Fleet Award Winners

Flatbed carriers use heavy duty trucks to move flatbed trailers that can carry a range of goods.

The large SmartWay flatbed carrier Award winner is: Swift Transportation Co.



The small flatbed carrier Award winner is: Werner Enterprises.



Multimodal Carrier Fleet Award Winners

Multimodal carriers move freight using a mix of truck, railcars and other transportation modes.

The large SmartWay multimodal carrier Award winners are: J.B. Hunt Transport, Inc., Hub Group, Schneider, and UPS Small Package









The medium/small SmartWay multimodal carrier Award winners are: *ABF Freight System, Inc., White Arrow LLC., and C.R. England, Inc.*









Auto Carrier Fleet Award Winner

Auto carriers haul automobiles and other light duty vehicles to dealerships from manufacturers on specialized auto carrier trailers.

The large SmartWay auto carrier Award winner is: Southeast Transportation Systems, Inc.



Expedited Carrier Fleet Award Winner

Expedited carriers deliver high value and time-sensitive single loads to businesses and are typically on stand-by.

The large SmartWay expedited carrier Award winner is: Thompson Emergency Freight Systems



Moving Carrier Fleet Award Winners_

Moving carriers provide home and office moving activities and drive routes unique to each move.

The large SmartWay moving carrier Award winner is: New World Van Lines.



The small SmartWay moving carrier Award winner is: Palmer Moving & Storage.





Heavy/Bulk Carrier Fleet Award Winner_

Heavy/Bulk carriers move a range of dense, heavy and large materials and commodities at or above legal maximum weight limits, often requiring permits.

The SmartWay large heavy/bulk Award winner is: Schilli Corporation.



The SmartWay small heavy/bulk carrier Award winner is: **Doug Andrus Distributing LLC.**



Tanker Fleet Award Winners__

Tank truck carriers haul liquid (petroleum, chemicals, gases, hazardous waste, etc.) or dry (dry food products, cement, plastic pellets) bulk commodities. using less fuel and emitting fewer emissions. They are SmartWay's top performing shipper and logistics partners and include large, medium and small firms that move a broad range of products and merchandise.

The large SmartWay tanker Award winners is: *Eagle Transport Corporation*.



The small SmartWay tanker Award winner is: *Grammer Industries, Inc.*





Recognition Ceremony

The annual SmartWay Excellence Award honors top carrier, shipper and logistics companies that are setting efficiency benchmarks in how they move products and supplies. Carrier, shipper and logistics partners will be recognized as SmartWay Excellence Award recipients:

Monday, October 29, 2018 American Trucking Associations (ATA) Annual Management Conference and Exhibition Austin Convention Center Plenary Session @ 8:00 AM CT 500 E. Cesar Chavez St. Austin, Texas 78701