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**OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC.
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD & CEO
EARL E. CONGDON, JR.
INDUCTED INTO NORTH CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION HALL OF FAME**

Thomasville, North Carolina (November 4, 2005) - Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. announced from its corporate headquarters in Thomasville, North Carolina that Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Earl E. Congdon Jr. has been inducted into The North Carolina Transportation Hall Of Fame.

In a ceremony held November 1 at the Radisson Hotel in downtown High Point, North Carolina, Congdon was inducted, along with six others. Introducer of the Congdon Induction was Charles F. Diehl, President of the North Carolina Trucking Association since 1999.

Congdon began his trucking career in Richmond, Virginia in 1950 at the age of 19 upon the death of his father Earl Sr. who had started the business with one truck in 1934 to make the run between Richmond and Norfolk. With his mother Lillian and brother John, Earl Jr. took over the business and, through the purchase of High Point-based Bottoms-Fiske Truck Line in 1957, extended operations into North Carolina and southern Virginia. In 1962, Old Dominion moved its headquarters from Richmond to High Point until further growth prompted another move, this time to Thomasville five years ago. Today, Old Dominion serves 44 states (33 with full state coverage) plus Canada operating over 150 service centers, has over 10,000 employees, and maintains 4,000 tractors and 14,000 trailers and vans. Old Dominion's growth and exemplary reputation are due to Earl's, his family's and his employees' commitment to a quality management process that is fully integrated into the way the company operates.

Master of Ceremonies for the Hall of Fame Induction program was David D. King, Deputy Secretary for Transit with the North Carolina Department of Transportation. Other dignitaries were: Jim Woodall, President of the North Carolina District Exchange Clubs (Pledge of Allegiance); High Point Mayor, Rebecca Smothers (Official Welcome); The Reverend G. Howard Allred, Pastor Emeritus of First United Methodist Church (Invocation); David C. Robinson, Co-Founder and CEO of the NC Transportation Hall of Fame (Recognition of Special Guests); Robert L. Martin, Co-Founder and COO of the NC Transportation Hall of Fame (Recognition of Sponsors); J. Douglas Galyon, Chairman of the NC Board of Transportation (Introduction of Keynote Speaker) and Arnold B. McKinnon, who held a distinguished Legal and executive career with both the Southern Railway and the Norfolk Southern Corporation. (Keynote Address).

In addition to Mr. Congdon the following were honored with induction into the North Carolina Transportation Hall of Fame: Robert E. Barnhill (1920-2000) of Barnhill Construction Company; Paul D. Cribbins, Professor Emeritus of Engineering at NC State University; Thomas H. Davis (1918-1999) of Piedmont Airlines; Herman J. Hoose (1910-1997) - City of Charlotte Traffic Engineer from 1948-1978; John Motley Morehead (1796-1866) Former Governor and Founder of NC Railroad Co. and Billy Rose- Former State Highway Administrator with the NC DOT.

The North Carolina Transportation Hall of Fame, located in Raleigh, is comprised of some 18 various modes of transportation: Highways, Trucking & Shipping, Railroads, Aviation, Ports & Terminals, Rivers & Canals, Ferries, Public Transportation, Taxis, Inter-City Buses, Bicycles & Pedestrians, Planners & Designers, Builders & Contractors, Operators, Manufacturers, Safety Systems, User Information Systems and Tourism.

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