

# Allison Transmission Honors Guild Technician Skills Competition Finalists

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The competition was part of a biannual event for partners of the expanding Allison Authorized Service Network, comprising approximately 1,600 independent distributor and dealers with recent significant growth in Europe and Australia.

INDIANAPOLIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Allison Transmission is pleased to announce the winner of the Allison Guild Technician Skills Competition. Matt Kagarise from Penn Power Group was named Grand Champion of the competition at the Guild Star Awards banquet hosted in Dallas, Texas during First Line 2023, Allison's biannual event for its North America service channel professionals that focuses on product updates and best practices in service procedures.

Allison Guild Technician Skills Competition finalists: Tyler Yannacito, Stewart & Stevenson; Lance Geiss, Interstate Power Systems; winner Matt Kagarise, Penn Power; Antoon Vossen, Wajax Power Systems Alex Lindberg, Clarke Power Services. (Photo: Business Wire)

Allison has experienced significant growth of its network of approximately 1,600 independent distributor and

dealer locations worldwide. Penske Australia recently expanded its presence in southeast Queensland to support customers of Allison Transmission. Earlier this month, Allison announced a strategic partnership with Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa (PGZ) to strengthen Allison's supplier network in Europe. The expansion of Allison Authorized Services allows customers to have Allison propulsion solutions serviced in their own locale quickly and efficiently, which reduces the overall cost and vehicle downtime for maintenance.

The Allison Transmission Guild, established in 1975, promotes the technical knowledge and expertise of Allison distributor and dealer service and parts professionals. The Guild's mission is to expand Allison's world leadership in

transmission and propulsion system technologies through ongoing service professional development.

“Allison is proud to recognize the Technician Skills Competition finalists for their ability to deliver industry-leading service to our mutual OEM and fleet customers,” said Todd Dawn, Director, Global Product Training and Technical Publications at Allison Transmission. “These skilled professionals make it possible for our transmissions to operate at optimal levels leading to maximum vehicle productivity and efficiency in the field.”

Four additional Allison Guild Technician Skills Competition finalists were recognized at the Guild Star Awards banquet including Alex Lindberg, Clarke Power Services, Inc.; Antoon Vossen, Wajax Power Systems; Lance Geiss, Interstate Power Systems; and Tyler Yannacito, Stewart & Stevenson.

The finalists competed head-to-head by rotating between five hands-on timed skills stations designed to gauge each technician’s understanding and troubleshooting abilities related to Allison 1000-4000 Series diagnostics, service, repair and chassis integration. Each station was hosted and judged by Allison Regional Customer Support Managers, Allison Service Engineers and Allison Product Training personnel.

## About Allison Transmission

Allison Transmission (NYSE: ALSN) is a leading designer and manufacturer of propulsion solutions for commercial and defense vehicles and the largest global manufacturer of medium- and heavy-duty fully automatic transmissions that Improve the Way the World Works. Allison products are used in a wide variety of applications, including on-highway trucks (distribution, refuse, construction, fire and emergency), buses (school, transit and coach), motorhomes, off-highway vehicles and equipment (energy, mining and construction applications) and defense vehicles (tactical wheeled and tracked). Founded in 1915, the company is headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA. With a presence in more than 150 countries, Allison has regional headquarters in the Netherlands, China and Brazil, manufacturing facilities in the USA, Hungary and India, as well as global engineering resources, including electrification engineering centers in Indianapolis, Indiana, Auburn Hills, Michigan and London in the United Kingdom. Allison also has approximately 1,600 independent distributor and dealer locations worldwide. For more information, visit [allisontransmission.com](http://allisontransmission.com).

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