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LIGHTWEIGHT FONTAINE 6NWB FIFTH WHEEL EARNS POSITION AS NEW INDUSTRY STANDARD

JASPER, ALABAMA -- In 2017, Fontaine Fifth Wheel introduced the lightest steel fifth wheel assembly in the industry: The Fontaine® 6NWB. This innovative product features the light-weight 6000 No-Slack® top plate mounted to the light-weight Fontaine NWB slide assembly. The net result is about 60 pounds lighter than the competition. Plus, you get the added benefit of running with Fontaine No-Slack® lock technology. The exclusive No-Slack® design automatically self-adjusts the lock to allow for trailer kingpin size variances. The precise No-Slack® kingpin fit reduces shock inputs into the frame for a smoother ride, lower maintenance costs and longer component life.

New truck manufacturers and fleets are constantly searching for ways to save weight cost effectively—making the 6NWB a perfect fit on both counts. That’s why industry leaders are connecting with this product, and the proof is in the numbers. In two short years Fontaine has far exceeded its sales goals for 6NWB assemblies. This growing popularity has resulted in the 6NWB becoming standard equipment at two major global truck manufacturers.

“We’re really proud of the Fontaine Sales and Engineering teams that made this happen,” said Buck Buchanan, President of Fontaine Fifth Wheel. “Our Sales group worked closely with the OEM’s to earn this standard equipment position; and our Engineering group employed Finite Element Analysis technology and strategic placement of high strength alloy steel to reduce weight without sacrificing performance, durability or load rating,” concluded Buchanan.

The 6NWB is designed for on-highway applications up to 95,000 GCW and is rated at 50,000 lbs vertical load with a drawbar pull of 150,000 lbs. For more information contact Fontaine Customer Service at 800-874-9780 or email info@fifthwheel.com.

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About Fontaine Fifth Wheel. Based in Jasper, Alabama, Fontaine Fifth Wheel is the world’s largest dedicated fifth wheel manufacturer and the innovator of the only self-adjusting fifth wheel lock on the market: Fontaine No-Slack®. Fontaine offers a complete line of fifth wheels including stationary, sliding and blocked models covering a broad range of applications. Fontaine is a member of Marmon Holdings, Inc. a Berkshire Hathaway company.

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