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Commercial Vehicle Orders Improve During August

COLUMBUS, IN – Commercial vehicle net orders improved during August, according to the preliminary reading of the North American medium and heavy-duty vehicle market developed by ACT Research Co. (ACT). Final August data will be released in mid-September, and North American Class 8 orders are expected to come in at 20,800 units, while Classes 5-7 orders are projected to reach 12,100 units. While the Classes 5-7 group was somewhat behind last year's level, Class 8 volume posted solid year-over-year gains. Additionally, both categories rebounded from July order levels. Preliminary net order numbers are subject to revision and are typically accurate to within 5 percent plus or minus.

"Despite unfolding economic uncertainty, both Classes 5-7 and Class 8 posted solid gains compared to July," said Kenny Vieth, ACT's president and senior analyst. "While the Classes 5-7 volume was down versus last year, that comparison is to one of the strongest months of 2010. When Class 8 is taken into account, total Classes 5-8 commercial vehicle net orders posted a very solid year-over-year performance," added Vieth.

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