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Kodiak Driver Sets New Uptime Record By Running 64 Consecutive Days on an Unsupervised Driverless Truck

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif., Oct. 20, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kodiak AI, Inc., (Kodiak") (Nasdaq: KDK), a leading provider of Physical AI-powered autonomous driving technology, today announced that an unsupervised driverless truck equipped with the Kodiak Driver, the company's autonomous driving system, achieved a record 64 consecutive days of continuous uptime, never powering off or re-starting.

Both the autonomy stack and truck were running and available for service in the company's industrial deployment in the Permian Basin in a streak that began June 30 and ended Sept 1, 2026.

Five additional Kodiak Driver-equipped trucks have each surpassed 45 consecutive days of continuous uptime, further demonstrating the engineering reliability and durability of Kodiak's Physical AI technology as the company continues to scale its autonomous driving deployment and prepares for its driverless highway launch by the end of 2026.

"Uptime is a critical measure of reliability and operational performance for our customers," said Don Burnette, Founder and CEO, Kodiak. "These milestones reflect the dedication of our team and the dependability of the Kodiak Driver, underscoring the importance of consistent performance as we scale our commercial operations."

As of June 30, 2026, these trucks were part of a fleet of 35 driverless trucks owned and operated by Atlas Energy Solutions in the Permian Basin, representing the largest fleet of its kind in the world. At that time, the fleet had surpassed 40,000 cumulative hours of paid driverless operation.

"Maintaining sustained uptime for more than two months demonstrates the reliability and operational performance of the Kodiak Driver in our driver-as-a-service model," said Don Lepard, Vice President of Operations at Kodiak. "These milestones reinforce the dependability of our technology and the strength of our operational execution as we prepare to scale both our industrial and long-haul trucking commercial deployments."

The trucks are equipped with Kodiak's sixth-generation (Gen6) autonomous platform, engineered for maintainability and uptime. Building on this foundation, Kodiak unveiled its seventh-generation (Gen7) system earlier this summer, designed to deliver further improvements in efficiency, reliability and serviceability, along with nearly 50% longer operational lifetimes.

Kodiak has committed to growing the Atlas fleet in the Permian to 100 trucks by mid-2027.

Separately, Kodiak is making final preparations for its planned driverless highway launch on Interstate 45 between Dallas and Houston by the end 2026.

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About Kodiak AI

Kodiak AI, Inc. (Nasdaq: KDK) is a leader in Physical AI, developing driverless technology that powers machines that move. The core of the company's solution is the Kodiak Driver, a vehicle-agnostic autonomous driving system that combines advanced AI-powered software with modular hardware. Today, the Kodiak Driver operates in the long-haul trucking, industrial trucking, and defense sectors, and is already deployed in commercial operation with no one in the cab. Kodiak AI commercializes its technology through both a Driver-as-a-Service business model and strategic partnerships. In 2024, Kodiak achieved a historic milestone, becoming the first company to deploy driverless technology in customer-owned driverless semi-trucks. Commercial partners and customers include Atlas Energy Solutions, IKEA, Bridgestone, Werner Enterprises, C.R. England, General Dynamics Land Systems, and Roehl Transport.

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