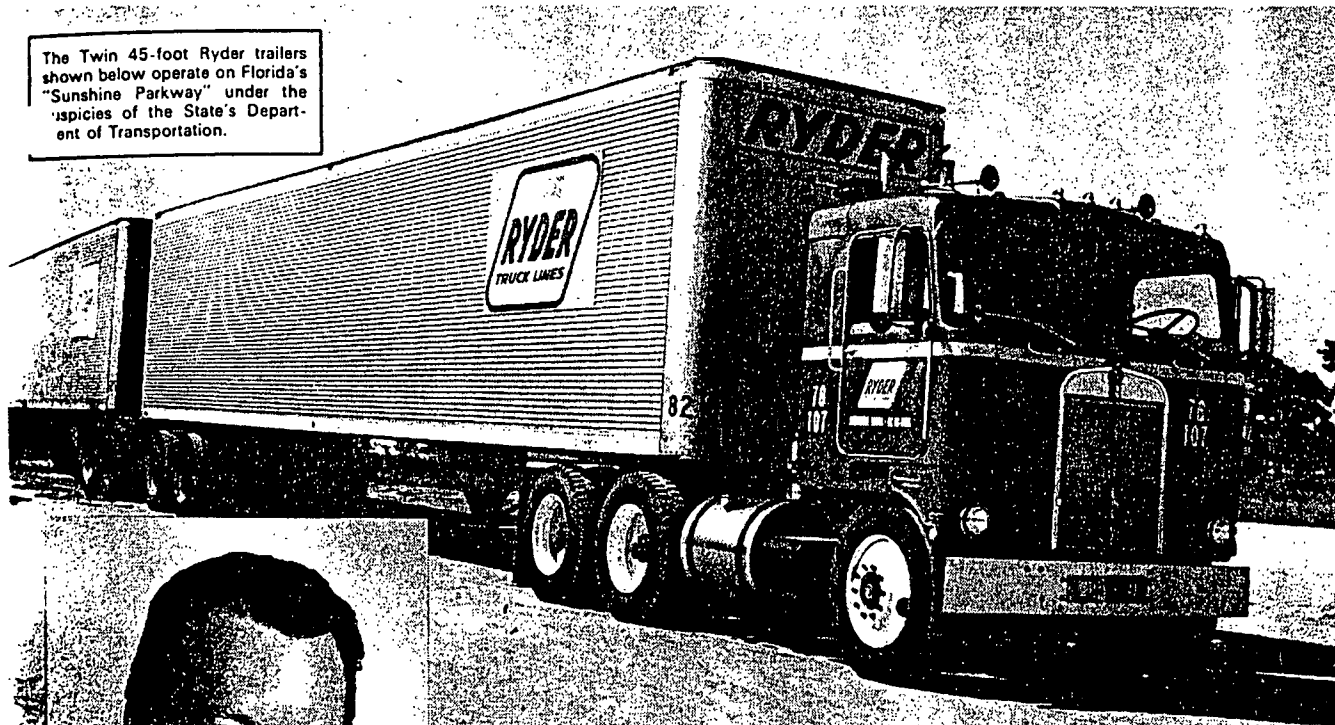


The Twin 45-foot Ryder trailers shown below operate on Florida's "Sunshine Parkway" under the auspices of the State's Department of Transportation.



"We specify Abex brake lining exclusively and have reduced our cost per mile."

HORST VOLLMER
Director of Maintenance
Ryder Truck Lines, Inc.

Horst Vollmer says: "Cost-per-mile is the name of the game. We operate 5,661 pieces of equipment in 28 states and log 100 million miles per year. Our experience indicates that low cost parts are not necessarily the answer to lowering the maintenance cost per mile. It is Ryder's policy to use the finest replacement parts on the market to ensure maximum safety performance for all vehicles. The cost-per-mile is directly associated with quality parts and that is one reason we have standardized on Abex brake lining for original equipment and replacement service."

Ryder Truck Lines are the seventh largest motor carrier in the country. Based upon the latest available figures, Ryder's maintenance cost-per-mile is 19.7% less than the average cost-per-mile for 148 of the top leading common carriers. Since brakes represent the fourth highest cost of maintenance, the savings in this area are very substantial. What does it mean to have a brake cost of .0009 per mile? In the case of Ryder Truck Lines, it can mean a brake savings of several hundred thousand dollars. Abex is one of the largest and oldest manufacturers of friction materials in the world. Since 1924 we have been the leading supplier to the automotive and aircraft industries. Our product is backed by a multi-million dollar research facility, fleet engineered friction materials, nation-wide distribution and a field organization of specialists.

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