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Darris L. White was born on March 17, 1973 in Abingdon, Virginia, where he attended Abingdon High School. After graduation in 1991, Darris attended Virginia Tech and obtained a Bachelor's in Mechanical Engineering in the Spring of 1996. While at Virginia Tech, Darris participated in the cooperative education program at Dana Corporation for five semesters, and was actively involved with the Virginia Tech Mini-Baja Team. He continued his graduate studies at Virginia Tech with an emphasis on Vibration, Controls, and Nonlinear Dynamics. As a graduate student, Darris continued to realize the importance of job experience and spent time working for Graham-White Manufacturing and the Association of American Railroads - Transportation Technology Center. After completing his M.S. in Mechanical Engineering in the Summer of 1998, he moved to Greensboro, NC to work for Volvo Truck North America as a Product Engineer.