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Strength through Partnerships



n January, the annual AE50 awards were presented in Orlando, at AgConnect, a new agricultural machinery trade show organized by the Association of Equipment Manufacturers (AEM). ASABE was a key sponsor of this first AgConnect. In partnership with AEM, ASABE also co-located the annual Agricultural

Equipment Technology Conference (AETC) at the same venue, providing an opportunity for ASABE to reach a new audience. The AE50 awards were presented as part of AETC, and the winners were also recognized during the opening ceremonies of AgConnect, with each winning entry featured in a slide presentation. Several thousand attendees, many of them not members of ASABE, were made aware of the contributions of our profession to the agricultural equipment industry. The ASABE booth, located at the entrance to the exhibition area, provided information to many attendees who stopped to browse the literature and displays. This extends a long-time partnership that ASABE and AEM have had in developing standards for agricultural equipment. Collaborations like this one greatly strengthen our Society, and we should continually seek partnerships that extend the outreach of the Society.

As I viewed the exhibits at AgConnect, I noted that, while the basic functions of the agricultural equipment were similar to the machinery I saw at shows 30 years ago, there were some major differences. The first difference, of course, was size. A second difference was the extensive use of electronics for sensing inputs and for controlling the equipment. Our profession has made many contributions in both of these areas, and we have led many innovations in the second. Also noticeable on the show floor were the numerous companies providing instrumentation and software for collecting data on the go, and using those data for decision making and control of many machine functions. Our profession has also been at the forefront of many of these developments. Seeing the evidence of our work under the bright lights of the exhibit hall reminded me of how far we've come.

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An update: As this issue of **Resource** goes to press, the Executive Officer position has been announced in the appropriate venues, and a search committee—Ron McAllister (chair), Bob Gustafson, Donna Hull, Sonia Jacobsen, Art Johnson, Ann Kenimer, Brady Lewis, and Barrie Smith—has begun screening applications. Interviews are planned during the month of March.

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esource is pleased to sponsor the AE50 awards program—celebrating companies for developments in the areas of agricultural, food, and biological systems. Our winners take center stage in this issue, dedicated to the gifted engineers and co-workers who creatively harness and manage company resources and talent to pursue exciting innovations.

The products featured represent not only the diversity of the agricultural and biological engineering fields, but companies of all sizes and varying pursuits, bringing advanced technology to the marketplace in 2009. We celebrate machines, components, systems, and more—all enhancing and improving our everyday world.

AE50 winners join the ranks of thousands over the years, who have been honored for saving producers time, costs, and labor, while improving user safety as well. The honorees' engineering developments help farmers, food processors, and equipment manufacturers enhance quality and increase profits as well.

In June 1984, *Agricultural Engineering* (now *Resource*) included "A Forum for New Developments" in an issue on technology. Twenty-five techniques, advances, inventions,

and innovations were showcased. Items were drawn from product information solicited by the Society and screened by a panel. From this focus on identifying innovative technology, two years later the AE50 was born.

Product nominations poured in. And they continue to do so. Over the years, interest in new technology and innovative applications of existing technology remains a constant. Companies from around the world submit entries, and a panel of international engineeering experts annually chooses up to 50 products that best advance engineering for the food and agriculture industries.

As was the case twenty-five years ago, many products featured are patented and names trademarked. Some may even become household words. Others may be further improved as technology advances, and perhaps, with time and change, will win another AE50. But all honorees featured this year—and through the years—strived for excellence, and we are pleased to showcase the results of their ingenuity, tenacity, and labor.

Congratulations AE50 Winners!

AE5®

50 1260 Early Riser® Planter

Case IH Racine, Wisconsin, USA 262-636-6011 www.CaseIH.com

The Case IH 1260 Early Riser® Planter provides significant improvements in machine stability, maneuverability, serviceability, and convenience in both the planting and transporting positions. Important features include the bi-fold links for a wide draft stance in planting position for maximum tracking over uneven terrain and an overall



transport length that is 4 to 8 m (13 to 26 ft) shorter than other large-frame planters; caster-style wing wheels that shift up to 4,536 kg (10,000 lb) off the tractor hitch in transport while increasing ground clearance; an integrated wing lock system that allows the planter wings to float with ground terrain in transport position and be secured in a safe operating position without the use of mechanical linkage; and a hydraulic steerable rear axle that reduces the turning radius to only 6 m (20 ft).

130 FB COPPICE HEADER

New Holland Agriculture New Holland, Pennsylvania, USA 866-639-4563 www.newholland.com

The New Holland 130 FB Coppice Header is a new high-capacity specialty header designed to harvest and process fast-growing, woody biomass crops, such as short-rotation coppice willow and poplar grown as a renewable fuel source. Compared to previously available methods, the 130 FB Coppice Header used with the New Holland FR9000 Forage Harvester achieves twice the harvesting capacity and can process trees of double the normal diameter into biofuel-ready wood chips of desired lengths. The harvester can cut 2 ha (5 acres) per hour, resulting in up to 120 tonnes (132 tons) of harvested wood chips per hour from



trees up to 15 cm (6 in.) in diameter. No changes are needed to feed rolls or chopper drum on the base unit when using the Coppice Header. Operators can harvest one or two rows at a time, depending on the crop, and can adjust the cutting length from 6 to 66 mm (0.2 to 2.6 in.) to meet end-user specifications.

400 Series Windrower

John Deere Moline, Illinois, USA 641-683-7134 www.deere.com

With the increase in ground speed to 34 kph (21 mph) larger tire size (480/80 R38), and the new IntelliAxle with torsional axle suspension and rear steering assist system, customers get more done and experience less operator fatigue with the 400 Series windrower from John Deere. This windrower allows the customer to travel faster over rougher ground with increased controllability and handling. Some of the major machine enhancements include increased field and transport speeds, touch point adjust-



ments, and the IntelliAxle with torsional axle suspension and rear steering assist system. The windrower also boasts increased serviceability and a John Deere Tier 3 PowerTech E engine. The 400 Series windrowers are available in two configurations: a 125 hp A400, designed for auger platforms, and the 200 hp R450, designed for use with John Deere's proven rotary platforms.

44 SUPER MAGNUM SAND PUMP

McLanahan Corporation Agricultural Systems Division Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, USA 814-695-9807 www.sandmanuresolutions.com

Built specifically to meet the needs of sand-bedded dairies, McLanahan's nitrile-lined 44 Super Magnum Sand Pump is a vertical shafted, centrifugal pump designed to withstand the rigorous demands of pumping sand and manure with minimal wear on the wet-end components. It utilizes replaceable, nitrile linings to protect the split casings and a nitrile-lined impeller to extend wear life in abrasive environments, as compared to a conventional manure pump. The shafts and bearings operate in an oil bath and are separated from the pumpage by a mechanical seal. A typical sand bedded dairy uses 22.7 kg (50 lb) per cow per day of sand bedding. In this type of harsh pumping environment, this pump will decrease maintenance costs and downtime associated with pump repairs.



5M Series Tractors

John Deere Agriculture and Turf Division Moline, Illinois, USA 309-765-8000 www.deere.com

The 5M series is John Deere's next generation of utility tractors. The new platform includes a new transmission design and vehicle configuration to meet global utility tractor customer requirements. The transmission, key to the vehicle concept, was designed to make space for the operator's feet in front of the transmission, keeping the operator low, and providing additional fuel tank space. All transmission options include wet clutches, eliminating the need for the clutch housing behind the engine. The mid-frame design pushes this vehicle to a high level of front



loader integration, important for the U.S. market where the loader is the main application. The hydraulic pump mounted on the transmission eliminates the need for many hydraulic lines going back and forth from an engine-mounted pump and control valves on the rear of the tractor.

7200 PRECISION CUT™ TRIM AND SURROUNDS MOWER

Deere & Company Moline, Illinois, USA 309-765-8000 www.johndeere.com

The 7200 PrecisionCutTM Trim and Surrounds mower with Width-on-Demand and Reach-Trimming System gives the customer the ability to change the overall width of cut or improve the ability to safely trim difficult-to-reach areas from the operator's seat by the simply toggling the control switch. The narrower width of cut is recommended for undulating terrain and tight turns where more cutting unit overlap is required, to make sure that no uncut grass is left behind. The wider width of cut setting is recommended on flat terrain with long straight runs. This maximizes productivity by offering a choice of the width that best suits the terrain. With the Reach-Trimming System, one of the front cutting units



can be shifted outward to extend the cutting unit beyond the outer edge of the tire for trimming. Shifting only one cutting unit helps keep the machine's center of gravity more consistent, maintaining the machine's overall stability.

7500 AND 8500 E-CUT™ HYBRID FAIRWAY MOWER

Deere & Company Moline, Illinois, USA 309-765-8000 www.iohndeere.com

The John Deere 7500 and 8500 E-Cut™ Hybrid Fairway Mower incorporates hybrid technology for fairway applications. The drive system for the five cutting units is completely electric, eliminating the use of hydraulic drive and hydraulic leaks that damage fine turf in fairways. The hybrid technology uses a 48 V alternator to power the cutting units via brushless electric motors. This system allows for maximum run time and cut quality versus the use of a battery system used in other golf mowing applications. In addition to the elimination of hydraulic



leak points, the E-CutTM Hybrid Fairway Mower can be operated at a reduced engine speed for noise reduction, as well as fuel savings up to 30 percent as compared to hydraulic units, and still maintain the same cut quality from start to finish.

760 CG Varifeed™ Grain Header

New Holland Agriculture New Holland, Pennsylvania, USA 717-355-3553 www.newholland.com

The New Holland 760 CG
VarifeedTM Grain Header introduces significant innovations, improving on its smooth feeding and multi-crop flexibility that allows the 10.7 m (35 ft) wide header to feed the highest capacity combines on the market. These innovations lower operating costs, add functionality, and provide improved solutions to some of the most difficult design issues associated with a variable-position cutter bar header. The 760 CG
VarifeedTM features a constant-force belt-tensioning system, a simplified knife protection system, enhanced floor travel V-guides, and a method to retain auger fingers in the auger when they are broken. These features combine to provide less downtime for the operator, lower cost of ownership, and high-capacity harvesting in a variety of field conditions.



John Deere Agriculture and Turf Division Moline, Illinois, USA 309-765-8000 www.deere.com

The John Deere 8R Series of tractors consists of six models from 225 to 345 PS-rated engine hp, featuring all-new commandView II cab, providing improvements to comfort, ease of use, visibility, and storage. Comfort improvements include increased airflow, 360° lighting, premium sound system, and increased seat swivel. CommandARMTM controls and CommandCenterTM display



provide logically grouped controls that move with the seat to manage tractor functions.

Three new from-the-ground-up 8RT series row crop track tractors feature a redesigned operator station, track undercarriage, and tractor suspension system for operator comfort. The machines have increased transport speed of 40 kph (25 mph), the first infinitely variable transmission available with a track tractor to precisely match required field speeds, increased hitch lift capacity, and increased fuel capacity. The AirCushionTM track suspension consists of a walking-beam configuration with an air bag support and damping shock absorber. The new tractor provides row crop versatility with one chassis to support row spacing from 1.8 to 4 m (72 to 160 in.).



AGCO Corporation Duluth, Georgia, USA 770-813-9200 www.agcocorp.com/technology.aspx

The objective of AGCO's AGCOMMAND system is to provide customers with a low-cost, easy-to-use data recording and fleet management solution that can be installed on all their machinery.

The AGCOMMAND system is a plug-and-play device that configures itself to an agricultural machine and automatically determines real-time machine status information, which is used for many precision farming efficiency reports. The AGCOM-MAND system allows instant access to a machine's performance data taken from the CANBUS (or other



machine sensors) via a GPRS (mobile telephone network) module and a remote AGCO server. The GPS position of the machine is also integrated into the data stream so that vital machine performance and location data can be analyzed by the user, owner, farm manager, or fleet manager from either an office PC or any internet-enabled wireless device (pocket PC, PDA, or smart phone) via a secure AGCO internet website.

450 Austoft 8000 Series Sugar Cane Harvester

Case IH Racine, Wisconsin, USA 262-636-6011 www.caseih.com

The Case IH Austoft 8000 Series is the first commercially available sugarcane harvester to feature a totally integrated data logging system, while offering best-in-class harvester throughput and superior cane cleaning abilities. The 8000 Series is designed to relieve growers of manually managing large equipment fleets by automatically generating Excel spreadsheets with all pertinent harvesting and machine operation data. The 8000 Series takes into account the needs of the world's largest sugarcane growers. Over the last 20 years, sugarcane production has grown over 40 percent worldwide, largely due to the expansion of the ethanol



industry in Brazil. Today, over 85 percent of the sugarcane farms in Brazil harvest areas of at least 9,712.5 ha (24,000 acres). Worldwide, the large farm size is more the rule than the exception, as mechanized growers discover the advantages and expanded efficiencies that come along with economies of scale.

ALTOTRACTM ROWSENSETM UNIVERSAL

Deere & Company Moline, Illinois, USA 888-476-7827 ww. JohnDeere.com

The AutoTracTM RowSenseTM Universal strives to keep the corn head in the row under the toughest conditions. The system works by fusing together GPS data from the StarFireTM receiver with data from a single mechanical row sensor located on the corn head. By fusing these two data sources, the result is an automatic guidance system for combine harvesters with high performance. The AutoTracTM RowSenseTM Universal improves efficiency in down corn conditions and on curved rows, reduces operator fatigue, and reduces crop loss with increased accuracy and efficiency on every pass across the field. The AutoTracTM RowSenseTM Universal allows the corn grower to get more done, in less time and at less cost, during the corn harvesting operation. The AutoTracTM RowSenseTM Universal is a universal guidance option for older John Deere combines or non-John Deere machines that do not have integrated AutoTracTM. It is compatible with all combines that are approved for use with the AutoTrac™ Universal Steering Kit as well as select models of John Deere and non-John Deere corn heads.



№ BOBCAT® M-SERIES EXCAVATORS

Bobcat Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Doosan Infracore International West Fargo, North Dakota, USA 701-241-8700 www.bobcat.com

The new Bobcat® M-Series compact excavators (also known as mini excavators) combine proven quality with new standards for performance and production. Known as the M-Series, the new E32 and E35 excavators are reengineered to deliver greater performance in a lighter machine, leveraging a modular platform strategy that shares common major components between zero tail swing and conventional models. The new M-Series excavators include enhancements that save precious time and labor, improve operator comfort, and improve robustness. Backed by industry-

leading cycle times, the M-Series advanced hydraulic system provides more usable power, consistent and smooth operation, and predictable results for the operator. Some new features include Auto Shift travel, Auto Idle, and fingertip controls, all available on a single unit.



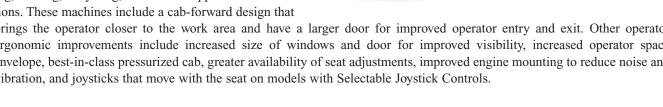
BOBCAT® M-SERIES LOADERS

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The Bobcat® M-Series skid steer loaders and compact track loaders are versatile compact tool carriers that deliver performance in a smaller package. With stronger hydraulics for improved attachment performance, better tractive effort for digging and pushing, improved ergonomics for operator comfort, and increased fuel capacity for long days, M-Series loaders are meant for intense work in a variety of agriculture, construction, landscaping, mining, recycling, and rental applica-

tions. These machines include a cab-forward design that

brings the operator closer to the work area and have a larger door for improved operator entry and exit. Other operator ergonomic improvements include increased size of windows and door for improved visibility, increased operator space envelope, best-in-class pressurized cab, greater availability of seat adjustments, improved engine mounting to reduce noise and vibration, and joysticks that move with the seat on models with Selectable Joystick Controls.



15 Boomer™ 8N Tractors

New Holland North America New Holland, Pennsylvania, USA 888-290-7377 www.newholland.com/na

This compact tractor is a modern-day version of the original 8N tractor with a strong emphasis on retro-tech styling, comfort, efficiency, serviceability, and ease of operation. The gauge-style instrument cluster, ergonomically designed seat, tear-drop headlights, and singlepiece front hood all provide modern and efficient adaptation of the original components, just like recent examples from the auto industry. Owners can customize the Boomer 8N to their own needs and preferences with chrome accessories and a custom line of matching attachments. A single-foot "Go" pedal for combined transmission and engine speed control and a single brake pedal on the right-hand side of the platform deliver drives-like-a-car operation. The ergonomically



designed single-lever forward and reverse shuttle control, infinite tilt-telescoping steering wheel, and adjustable fore/aft/swivel seat gives operators the comfort they need to operate the BoomerTM 8N for productive long hours.

CASE IH PRECISION HOE™ 800 AIR HOE DRILL AND NEW HOLLAND P2070 Precision Hoe Drill

CNH America LLC Burr Ridge, Illinois, USA 262-636-6011 www.cnh.com

The CNH Precision Air Hoe Drill, available as the Case IH Precision HoeTM 800 Air Hoe Drill and the New Holland P2070 Precision Hoe Drill, delivers the precise seed and fertilizer placement demanded by producers growing high-value, small-seeded crops on large acreages. Patented and patent-pending features include a swing link design, allowing a more compact opener and frame contour length, and individual parallel link row units mounting to the frames for precise seed



placement. Trip force and packing pressure for the row units can be adjusted to accommodate varying field conditions. Weight distribution on the frame sections is adjusted and controlled through a patent-pending hydraulic cylinder mounted on the front of each frame section; the same cylinders fold the unit into and out of field position. On the 18 and 21 m (60 and 70 ft) models, a patent-pending foldaway wing frame allows for maximum versatility in transport position while maintaining a compact transport envelope.



CHALLENGER® MT600C, MASSEY FERGUSON® 8600, AND AGCO® DT SERIES TRACTORS

AGCO Corporation Duluth, Georgia, USA 877-525-4384 www.agcoiron.com www.masseyferguson.com/8600 www.newfromchallenger.com

AGCO has extended its range into a new power sector: up to 275 PTO hp and 350 maximum ISO engine hp. These tractors are also the first to feature e3 selective catalytic reduction (SCR) clean air technology and deliver compliance without compromise. This process converts the nitrogen oxide (NOx) gases that normally



exit the exhaust into nitrogen and water with dramatic fuel savings over other technologies. The Dynamic Tractor Management System coupled with our continuously variable transmission (CVT) provides simple and efficient operation, allowing the tractor to automatically adjust to loads, to maximize fuel efficiency. The redesigned cab has 3.3 m³ (116.5 ft³) of interior space, along with OptiRide cab suspension, and a new seat-mounted control console.

AE5® CHALLENGER® C SERIES TRACK AND ARTICULATED TRACTORS

AGCO Corporation Duluth, Georgia, USA 877-525-4384 www.newfromchallenger.com

The Challenger® C Series track and articulated tractors combine the greatest ISOBUS 11783 compatibility with power and performance as a standard feature. ISOBUS 11783 compatibility allows most compatible and all compliant tools to seamlessly integrate into the tractor systems, creating a package solution and eliminating the need for multiple con-



trollers and cluttered operator environments. This improvement over the B Series tractors reduces the time required to switch between implements, allows powerful component interaction, and reduces the cost associated when switching tractors or implements by providing one common console in the tractor cab. The move to ISOBUS compliance extends the capabilities of the CAN architecture on which all of the vehicle's electronic components communicate. Much like modern computers, ISOBUS compatibility allows for plug-and-play between these components, the vehicle, and any compliant implement or system such as a planter, sprayer, or guidance system.

DISCO 8400RC PLUS

CLAAS of America, Inc. Omaha, Nebraska, USA 402-861-1000 www.claasofamerica.com

The CLAAS DISCO 8400RC Plus is an 8.3 m (27.25 ft) triple-disc mower with roller conditioner. The roller conditioner uses two rubber rolls in a chevron design to crimp the crop for faster dry down. The bottom roll is driven and, in turn, drives the top roll through its intermeshing design—a simple power transfer concept that eliminates gearboxes and drive shafts. The rolls are spring loaded, and the gap and pressure settings are adjustable. This unit also incorporates the new CLAAS Active Float hydraulic floatation system, which allows the mowing cutterbars to float and follow the ground contours in the field. Active Float can be adjusted to increase or decrease the pressure to make the cutterbar lighter or



heavier during operation. The heavy-duty cutter bar is protected with Safety Link, which protects the cutterbar from internal damage when the cutterbar comes in contact with any external objects.

DYNAFLEXTM FLEXIBLE CUTTERBAR DRAPER HEADER

AGCO Corporation Duluth, Georgia, USA 877-525-4384 www.agcoiron.com www.masseyferguson.com/dynaflex

The AGCO DynaFlexTM flexible cutterbar draper header brings high technology and productivity to the harvesting of a variety of crops, including soybeans, cereal crops, milo, and canola. DynaFlex is the first flexible cutterbar draper header to use independent dampened tilt arms, linked with hydraulic cylinders to an accumulator system, to provide 20.3 cm (8 in.) of cutterbar flexibility. Precise hydraulic pressure settings allow for smooth cutting in all conditions and can be adjusted from the cab. The DynaFlex features a built-in 10° cutterbar tilt adjustment and a patented, balanced, and timed dual-sickle drive incorporating an exclusive dual-shaft drive, providing as much as 400 percent more torque over belt or hydraulic drives. Mounting requires no adapter, eliminating the complexity of hydraulic pumps, motors, and hoses common with competitive draper platforms. The result is 25+ percent greater harvesting performance over flexible cutterbar auger headers of the same size.



150 Dynamic Bale Weight System FOR LARGE SQUARE BALERS

New Holland Agriculture New Holland, Pennsylvania, USA 866-639-4563 www.newholland.com

This system is fully integrated into the New Holland BB9060 or BB9080 Large Square Baler to provide highly accurate on-the-go bale-weighing capabilities, without any need to slow down or stop baling. The key to the system is the isolated weighing table and algorithms that provide a highly accurate

(±2 percent) single-bale weight while operating at normal speed in the field. The system, incorporated into the

baler's roller chute, weighs each bale, feeding the data to the New Holland InfoView® II or

IntelliViewTM III monitor, to show individual bale weight and total bale weight count for a job. This detailed information allows the operator to record production and adjust the machine to the perfect bale weight for any crop or moisture conditions. A custom operator can provide baling services by a more accurate bale-per-ton measure, allowing the end user (dairy, livestock, or biomass industry) to more precisely use the bale for feeding, mix rations, or industrial needs.



E Premium Tractor Series

John Deere Agriculture and Turf Division Moline, Illinois, USA 309-765-8000 www.deere.com

The John Deere 7430 and 7530 E Premium tractors provide more engine performance combined with improved fuel efficiency and external electrical power supply through two 230 V and 400 V power sockets (5 kW when stationary). Both tractors



have been designed to run the engine auxiliaries independently from the engine. For the first time, electrical power is used to control the various auxiliary drives at the appropriate time, at the right speed, and only when needed. Motivation for this new system is to provide just the required energy independent from the combustion engine speed. Additionally, intelligent control of auxiliary drives helps to reduce the fuel consumption of the vehicle, especially under part-load conditions. A power outlet for supplying external loads to drive electrical driven tools is provided.



GLADIATOR™ Precision Tillage System

Krause Corporation Hutchinson, Kansas, USA 620-663-6161 www.krauseco.com



HARVEST TEC BALE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

Harvest Tec, Inc. Hudson, Wisconsin, USA 715-386-9100 harvesttec.com

The Harvest Tec bale identification system installed on large square balers acquires the high and average moisture, the time and date of baling, the field position that the bale came from, the bale weight, and writes that information to a tag with an RFID chip. The tag is a permanent vinyl material wrapped around the bale twine. The system includes a loader-mounted scanner that reads the bale information without line of sight, within 4.6 m (15 ft), displaying it to the operator and recording it to a memory file. File information can be downloaded on a field basis from the baler or on a group basis from the loader. With this system installed, hay can be tracked and sorted based on the known properties, providing a tool for precision control in the production of a crop with high variability.





Deere & Company Moline, Illinois, USA 641-683-7134 www.deere.com

The John Deere iGuideTM is a passive implement guidance system that automatically guides an implement onto the guidance line without using implement steering components, as found with active implement guidance systems. With iGuideTM, the tractor compensates for implement inaccuracies by pulling the implement onto the correct path. iGuideTM allows the accuracy of the automatic guidance system to move from the tractor to the implement. The system uses GPS data from a John Deere StarFireTM receiver with RTK signal level, located on the implement, to allow the tractor to guide the implement through the field with addi-



tional accuracy, even on curved passes and sloping terrain. This additional accuracy at the implement allows growers to see up to 60 percent improvement in input placement when compared to running AutoTracTM alone.

IntelliView™ III Monitor with Smart Cameras

New Holland Turin, Italy 717-355-3553, in North America www.newholland.com

This IntelliviewTM III Monitor with Smart Cameras integrates up to three cameras with the in-cab monitoring system of the New Holland CX8000 and CR9000 combine harvesters to automatically provide live video views of key combine field operations on one central touch-screen monitor. The cameras can be configured to link to specific functions, such as shifting into reverse or engaging the unloading tube, through the combine's CANbus system. A full-screen view of activity automatically appears on the main machine monitor screen when that function is activated, giving the operator all needed information in one convenient location. For safety of operation, the monitor switches from camera to normal screen view automatically when an alarm or error pops up. All New Holland flagship combines are prewired for the system, and the monitor is camera-ready.



ALSO KUBOTA RTV1140CPX

Kubota Tractor Corporation Torrance, California, USA www.kubota.com

The Kubota RTV1140CPX utility vehicle, with easily transformable one-row or two-row seating capability and high-capacity hydraulic dump bed, provides high versatility for agricultural operations management. The key innovation of this seating transformation system is a moveable seatback/cargo screen mechanism, mounted on the OSHA-compliant ROPS, to allow easy and seamless transitions when converting from one- to two-row seating options. This utility vehicle combines multiple-passenger seating capability with the ag-tractor technologies of a hydrostatic transmission and diesel engine. This hydrostatic transmission/diesel engine combination, introduced in 2004, serves as a utility vehicle configuration for typical agricultural uses, such as low-speed controlled spray-



ing, towing of farm tractors/implements, removal of snow/manure, hauling of feed and materials, etc. The vehicle also features a newly modified variable hydrostatic transmission (VHT Plus) that delivers easier gear shifting and smoother transmission-assisted deceleration, as well as the new 24.8 hp Kubota diesel engine that provides 15 percent more horsepower than previous-generation RTV900s.

A550 LINER 4000

CLAAS of America, Inc. Omaha, Nebraska, USA 402-861-1000 www.claasofamerica.com

The CLAAS LINER 4000 is a 15 m (49.2 ft) rotary, center-delivery rake. Its innovative folding, simple-to-use monitor, and heavy-duty rotors make it a heavy-duty rake built for efficiency. The internal rotors run in an oil bath and have three bearing supports for the heavy-duty arms. Each rotary basket can contour three-dimensionally to match the ground. In addition, when the rotors are lifted, the front of the basket lifts first, so that it does not dig into the ground. The simple-to-use monitor can lift and lower the rotors in sequence, individually, and set the overlap or windrow width. The hydraulic system is a constant-flow system, so a push of the button on the monitor begins the system. The large rotary rake folds up with the touch of a button and shrinks below 4 m (13 ft) for transport; no tine arms need be removed.



LOAD COMMAND™

John Deere Des Moines Works Moline, Illinois, USA 866-993-3373 www. JohnDeere.com

The Load CommandTM option has been added to the John Deere 4930 sprayer to provide faster tank fill, easy tender vehicle hookup, minimal chemical exposure and spillage, and automate loading. A key feature is the coupler, which minimizes chemical spill from gallons to a couple of fluid ounces. The tender arm eliminates handling heavy hoses and provides universal mounting. During loading, the operator swings the arm away from the tender vehicle and positions the couplers together. The system detects that the couplers



are joined and then inflates an air seal, locking the couplers. A plunger on the sprayer coupler actuates into the spring-return plunger on the tender vehicle, opening the passageway as the on-board pump begins loading. When the system detects that the tank is full, the pump shuts down, the plunger closes, the couplers unlock, and the arm disconnects as the operator drives away. Load CommandTM can fill the 4,542.5 L (1,200 gal) tank as fast as three minutes.

AE50 LOADER CONTROL SYSTEM

Alo North America, Inc. Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada 800-361-7563 www.aloloaders.com

The Alo Loader Control System consists of a hydraulic valve, joystick, and either cable or wires (depending on the configuration) to operate a front-end loader. The major feature of the system is its ability to



improve the double-action functionality of the loader cylinders. The oil flow is proportional to the joystick input so that the operator will not sense the weight of the item being moved, and the lower and raise speeds of the loader stay virtually the same whether the loader is fully loaded or unloaded. A second major feature is that the implement and lift circuits both use low-pressure regeneration. The oil flow is reused when dumping and lowering, so the cylinders are always full of oil, even on tractors with low hydraulic flow. The benefit is that the tractor requires less energy to operate the loader.



M126X Power Krawler Tractor

Kubota Tractor Corporation Torrance, California, USA 310-370-3370 www.kubota.com

The Kubota M126X Power Krawler tractor combines a rear crawler track system with a standard M-Series tractor chassis, increasing tractor traction and stability while providing better flotation and less soil compaction. The synthetic rubber track features hard rubber lugs that provide a smoother, quieter ride at higher speeds than typical steel lugs, and also delivers superior stability and straight-line performance, making for a smoother ride. The Kubota rear crawler design is central to the Power Krawler's performance capabilities. Both sides of the tractor are kept in contact with the ground via

of the tractor are kept in contact with the ground via independently oscillating crawlers. The procedure for changing crawler tracks is user friendly due to the split-type drive sprocket design. The Power Krawler also boasts a year-round environment-controlled cab and offers the engine from Kubota's popular M-series tractors, while engineered specifically for increased performance in rolling terrain and maneuverability in agriculture work.



M8540 Power Krawler Narrow-Cab Tractor

Kubota Tractor Corporation Torrance, California, USA 310-370-3370 www.kubota.com

Kubota's M8540 Power Krawler narrow-cab tractor brings the benefits of a rear crawler track to an M8540 narrow-cab tractor chassis, increasing traction and stability while maintaining low clearance, reduced overall width, and high horsepower in a compact tractor. With the narrow tractor market growing in the United States, Kubota has employed the rear crawler design concept in a standard narrow tractor, providing smooth riding, greater stability, and low ground pressure. This unique track system allows both sides of the tractor to



keep in contact with the ground via independently oscillating crawlers. The maintenance and process for changing crawler tracks is user friendly due to the split-type drive sprocket design with rotating pins. The Power Krawler's features build on the standard narrow tractor, with a year-round environment-controlled cab, a low overall height of 2.3 m (92 in.), and the power of Kubota's M-series engine, which increases the performance and maneuverability in narrow-row applications.

Mainero 2340 Roll-Type Grain Extractor

Carlos Mainero y Cia. S.A.I.C.F.I Bell Ville, Córdoba, Argentina 54-3534-426-924 www.mainero.com.ar

The Mainero 2340 grain extractor outloads 2.7 and 3 m (9 and 10 ft) silo bags without adjustments or attachments to fit both sizes. It reduces labor cost and required time to extract an entire bag by as much as 50 percent when compared to other roll-type extractors. This extractor begins and finishes the extraction without shoveling, thereby eliminating the most difficult physical work. It is transported in working position, ready for extraction, eliminating manpower and time. Its new system rolls the bag in two vertical spindles, allowing the tractor-machine set to move on the grain mass with the tractor transmission in neutral. Once extraction is finished, the bag bales are



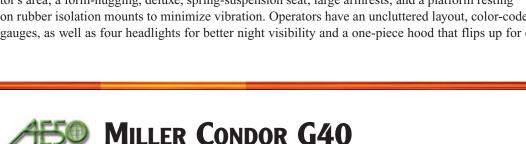
effortlessly taken out from the spindles. All controls are operated from the cab: spindle forward or reverse rotation, spindle speed, spike auger transport positioning, vertical auger folding, working-transport height, etc. The same frame is offered in three versions: rear mounted, front mounted, and pull-type.

Massey Ferguson® 1600 Series **COMPACT TRACTORS**

AGCO Corporation Duluth, Georgia, USA 877-525-4384 www.masseyferguson.com/1600

These tractors offer six models and 22 configurations with the power, performance, and comfort to meet exacting yet highly varied operator needs. The 1600 Series offers all-steel and cast-iron construction for durability, plus high-capacity performance with 35 to 60 engine hp, and the choice of four easy-to-operate transmissions including the 8x8 SynchroShuttle, the 12x12 PowerShuttle, 12x12 DynaQPSTM, and a three-range hydrostatic transmission. The tractors are powered by Tier-IV-interim-compliant Iseki 3- or 4-cylinder liquid-cooled diesel engines. Advanced operator comfort features are a major emphasis, including customer-inspired ergonomics and control placement; a larger opera-

tor's area; a form-hugging, deluxe, spring-suspension seat; large armrests; and a platform resting on rubber isolation mounts to minimize vibration. Operators have an uncluttered layout, color-coded controls, and easy-to-read gauges, as well as four headlights for better night visibility and a one-piece hood that flips up for easy service access.



AND G75 SERIES SPRAYERS

Miller St. Nazianz, Inc. St. Nazianz, Wisconsin, USA 920-773-2121 or 800-247-5557 www.millerstn.com

The Condor G40 and G75 Series sprayers have 14 new features and 38 product improvements over the previous generation of sprayers. Features include restyling with color scheme change, hood with frontmount hinge for unrestricted engine access, and added standard equipment, including cruise control, deluxe high-back seat, toolbox in the left-side cowling, remote pump switch, integrated control-panel ground-fill station, two additional front-of-the-machine work lights, and adjustable fixed-tread width bars for front and rear axles.



The Miller Spray-Air™ air boom system, up to 36.6 m (120 ft) wide with dual fans on the G75, may be optioned to either model. The SmartDrive® hydrostatic front-wheel assist system from Poclain® is available on the Condor G75 and features on-demand engagement and disengagement, as well as the ability to run engaged full time. To increase the productivity potential for the G40, a 4,542 L (1,200 gal) tank option has been added. Also available are a fixed axle and an auxiliary light kit.

A550 ORBIS 900

CLAAS of America, Inc. Omaha, Nebraska, USA 402-861-1000 www.claasofamerica.com

The ORBIS 900 is a 12-row, 9 m (30 ft) corn, milo, and sorghum forage harvester head. It can fold flat for road transport to the V-shaped crop flow. The folding mechanism takes a 9 m (30 ft) header down to approximately 3.4 m (11 ft), giving the operator clear visibility while driving. The V-shaped crop flow funnels the crop to the center for smooth feeding and excellent chop quality. The very low starting torque makes for easy starting and can be engaged at full throttle. The large drums on the ends add to the smooth feeding and pull the stalks away from the other uncut rows for less cob loss. Knives operating in the same direction gather and shatter the stalk for better rot down. The standard auto contour precisely adjusts the head up and down on each end.



OSPE ELECTRO-HYDRAULIC STEERING UNIT

Sauer-Danfoss, Inc. Nordborg, Denmark www.sauer-danfoss.com

Sauer-Danfoss's OSPE electro-hydraulic steering unit is designed to enable automatic steering in agricultural vehicles or vehicles needing electric interface for, as examples, Joystick or Quick steering features. It incorporates features designed to meet new safety legislation. Featuring OSP steering technology and an integrated electrohydraulic steering valve, the OSPE steering unit helps simplify hydraulic system architecture. The high level of integration minimizes the need for additional components and provides OEMs with a complete package. With a safe state, selectable reactive and non-reactive steering modes, load sensing and open center options, and variable steering ratio, the OSPE is ideal for demanding off-highway applications. To comply with revised safety legislation and new standards, such as ISO 25119, the OSPE steering unit offers a defined safe state. In the event of an electronic or hydraulic system malfunction, this option, which is activated by an external watchdog controller, can isolate the electrohydraulic section of the steering valve in order to protect the steering system. The safety function is designed to meet performance level d (ISO 25119), similar to SIL2 (IEC 61508), based on a cat2 architecture (ISO 25119).



A550 PU 380PRO

CLAAS of America, Inc. Omaha, Nebraska, USA 402-861-1000 www.claasofamerica.com

The PU 380PRO is a 3.8 m (12.5 ft) heavy-duty forage harvester pickup head. A spiral-wrapped and welded auger is used to increase strength and balance while the pick up floats independently of the main frame for better ground contact. Replaceable-wear parts also provide a longer overall operating life, and power transfer is done via a gearbox on the end of the head versus a chain and sprocket. The friction clutch is a ratchet clutch that can slip many times without losing torque. In addition, auger lift is standard on the head, making it easier for the operator to access the feed rolls when a rock or metal has been detected.



REINKE THREE-WHEEL FLEX BASE

Reinke Manufacturing Company, Inc. Deshler, Nebraska, USA 866-365-7381 www.reinke.com

The Reinke Three-Wheel Flex Base is a three-wheeled tower base with hinge mechanism for use on center-pivot and lateral-move irrigation systems. The design uses a centrally located hinge on the tower base, along with hinged tower-leg plates to allow for 25° of upward, as well as downward, flexibility—for a total of 50° of articulation. This flexibility, and the addition of the third tire, allows for better flotation and a decrease in the severity of the ruts created by the equipment in the field, especially on undulating terrain. All three wheels are driven via a single center-drive motor.



RPM Preferred with Touch Technology Control Panel

Reinke Manufacturing Company, Inc. Deshler, Nebraska, USA 866-365-7381 www.reinke.com

Reinke's RPM Preferred with Touch Technology control panel is an operator interface for center-pivot and lateral-move irrigation systems. The control panel has improved features and added functionality, including a start-sequence program and load management programming, which allows growers to more efficiently apply water to their fields. The RPM Preferred with Touch Technology control panel utilizes the Windows CE operating system, Visual Studio programming, and touch-screen technology to provide powerful yet user-friendly control and programming of irrigation equipment features.



SIDEWINDER™ II ARMREST

New Holland Agriculture New Holland, Pennsylvania, USA 866-639-4563 www.newholland.com

The SideWinderTM II armrest by New Holland, launched on the T7000 Auto CommandTM tractor, brings driver-focused ergonomics, convenience, and control to tractor controls—formerly available only on the most advanced self-propelled forage harvesters and combines. The Command GripTM multi-function controller integrates all tractor and implement operations to control direction selection, speed programming and adjustment, cruise functions, IntelliSteerTM auto-guidance engagement, linkage, hydraulic remotes, and custom headland management. The IntelliviewTM III Touchscreen on the SideWinderTM II armrest integrates the display of information, settings, and auto guidance—all accessible and adjustable at a touch by the operator—into a unique graphic interface. The armrest's two front pods can be customized. Customers can choose the electronic draft control mouse pod, the electrohydraulic joystick pod, or a tray, according to the tractor configuration, and position them left or right.

AE5® SPOTON™ SPRAYER CALIBRATOR

Innoquest, Inc. Woodstock, Illinois, USA 800-637-1623 www.spotonproducts.com

The SpotOnTM Sprayer Calibrator is a handheld digital meter for accurately measuring the flow rate from individual spray nozzle tips. An innovative waterproof design with no moving parts allows this affordable (\$149.95) product to check tips in 10 seconds or less. Readings are displayed on the meter's LCD in gallons, ounces, or liters per minute. As the size and cost of sprayers continue to increase, so does the importance of verifying proper sprayer calibration and nozzle performance. With an accuracy of ± 2.5 percent, this durable and easy-to-maintain product is the tool for today's application technology calibration needs. The innovative use of low-pressure molding to waterproof the PCB while providing the housing for the electronics allows this product to be mechanically robust with a comparatively low price point.



TRIPLE STREAM TIP

The CP Products Company, Inc. Tempe, Arizona, USA 866-303-0600 www.cpproductsinc.com

CP Products Company's Triple Stream Tip forms, at user-selected rates, three uniform solid streams of fluid, which hit the ground or crop at 25.4 cm (10 in.) intervals at a boom height of 50.8 cm (20 in.) and nozzle spacing of 50.8 cm (20 in.). An accessory tip that fits all three versions of CP's multiple-orifice sprayer turbo nozzles, it snaps into the nozzle, replacing one of three existing deflector tips. It is used for many crop applications of fertilizer and/or chemicals where straight streams of fluid are preferred. When used, for example, at 40 psi, and 16 kph (10 mph) on the six-orifice CP-65T-SL, rates range from 42.1 to 217.0 L/ha (4.5 to 23.2 gpa) depending on the orifice used. On the CP-56T-S, rates range from 60.8 to 254.4 L/ha (6.5 to 27.2 gpa); on the CP-65T-SH, the #10 orifice produces 269.4 L/ha (28.8 gpa). The tip consists of a single component molded of 30 percent glass-filled nylon with a #10 Viton® O-ring.



✓ ULTIMATE MELON CUBER™

Hartco LLC Llano, California, USA 888-U-SLICE-IT (888-875-4234) www.meloncuber.com

The Hartco Ultimate Melon CuberTM is an easy-to-use, stainless steel, commercial-grade appliance for cubing melons, including cantaloupe, honeydew, and watermelons. Processing time is reduced by as much as 75 percent while producing uniform melon cubes with greater shelf life and less waste. Edible product yield can be 20 percent greater than cutting with a knife, increasing production revenue. The process produces attractive melon bowls, which can be used for display or sale. The blade system cuts melons efficiently while minimizing exposure to sharp edges, increasing worker safety. The single-pass cutting process further enhances food safety by minimizing the risk of food contamination. The no-tip base with non-slip feet is accommodated by most kitchen work surfaces and accepts standard-size food containers. Interchangeable blade sets suit various melon sizes and varieties. The Ultimate Melon CuberTM is easy to clean and dishwasher safe.



AE50 Ultra Linear System

T-L Irrigation Co. Hastings, Nebraska, USA 800-330-4264, 402-462-4128 www.tlirr.com

The Ultra Linear System from T-L Irrigation Co. is designed to maximize irrigated areas using one machine. The Ultra can operate in either linear or pivot mode with a variety of guidance and water supply options available, allowing maximum flexibility for the end user. In linear mode, the system can use furrow, cable, concrete ditch, or buried wire to guide the system laterally. In pivot mode, the spans rotate around a stationary 4-wheel tractor pivot point, enabling adjacent parallel fields to be irrigated with one system. Water supply options include drag hose, side ditch, or straddle ditch configurations. The Ultra Linear System can also be towed to different

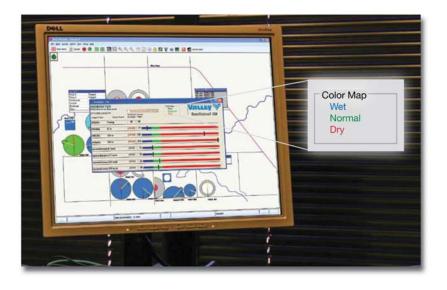


fields. Combined with the industry's only hydrostatically powered, continuously moving irrigation drive train and T-L's Precision Linear Control, the Ultra Linear System achieves maximum water uniformity for the end user.

ALSO VALLEY BASESTATION 2-SM

Valmont Irrigation Valley, Nebraska, USA 402-359-2201 www.valleyirrigation.com

The Valley BaseStation2-SM is designed specifically to allow remote monitoring and control of a grower's pivot or linear mechanized irrigation equipment based on soil moisture data received from Watermark soil moisture sensors. The BaseStation2-SM software integrates monitoring and control of irrigation equipment with soil moisture sensing information without having to switch back and forth between two or more software programs. One glance at the main status screen can provide the user with quick



notification if any field is near a cautionary status range for soil moisture. The integration of the soil moisture monitoring and enhanced alarm notifications into the BaseStation2 product now means managers can more quickly and confidently make the necessary water management decisions for their farming operations.

VALLEY GPS GUIDANCE

Valmont Irrigation Valley, Nebraska, USA 402-359-2201 www.valleyirrigation.com

Valley GPS Guidance allows the installation of Valley Corner and Linear Equipment Valley Linear to applications that might have been prohibitive in the past, allowing farmers to maximize the acreage under irrigated production. Valley GPS Guidance is easy to install and can quickly adapt to changes in farm practices or crop needs. It is compatible with the existing John Deere Starfire® RTK correction system, allowing growers to achieve higher profitability with lower overall investment. It eliminates hitting

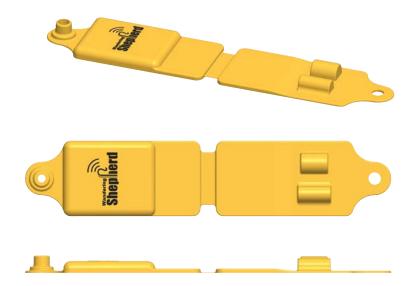


installation barriers associated with buried guidance systems, such as subsurface rock, drain tiles, or buried pipeline. It also eliminates maintenance due to lightning, rodents, or tillage, which is often seen with buried guidance wire.

WANDERING SHEPHERD

iFind Systems, Inc. Novi, Michigan, USA 248-465-8627 WanderingShepherd.com

The Wandering Shepherd ear tag offers fullmovement traceability for livestock. It quickly and automatically provides the government with required data if a disease outbreak occurs, and it also provides numerous benefits to ranchers and wildlife researchers. The device automatically records, stores, and sends its location data, reads temperature of livestock, and sends an alert if the temperature is above the normal range, notifying that the livestock could possibly have a disease. Other alerts include motion, geo-fencing, and device removal. Wandering Shepherd qualifies for government programs, like Age and Source Verification, as well as the mandatory Country of Origin labeling, increasing the value ranchers receive for their livestock in the market place.



ALSO XP 820™ INSECTICIDE CATTLE EAR TAG

Y-TEX Corporation Cody, Wyoming, USA 800-443-6401 www.ytex.com

The XP 820TM is a unique, slow-release ear tag containing abamectin (avermectins B_{1a} and B_{1b}) that provides long-lasting control of blood-feeding ectoparasites on pastured cattle. The XP820TM is the first tag worldwide to contain abamectin, a macrocyclic lactone compound. The ear tag releases a synergized solution over several months to the haircoat. No withdrawal period is required before slaughter. The patent-pending formulation contains piperonyl butoxide (a mixed-function oxidase inhibitor), which increases the potency of abamectin. The XP 820TM gives season-long control of horn flies, including strains resistant to pyrethroid and organophosphate insecticides. It also controls Gulf Coast ticks and spinose ear ticks and is effective against American dog ticks, cattle fever ticks, lone star ticks, and face flies.



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RESPONSIBILITIES: Teach (85% time) undergraduate and graduate Construction Systems Management (CSM) courses to students in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. CSM courses may include, but are not limited to, construction safety, methods and materials, surveying and graphics, structures, estimating, scheduling, contracts and specifications, heavy construction, construction law, project management, sustainable construction, and CSM capstone. The specific courses will be determined by the specialty area of the faculty to be hired. The candidate will be expected to develop an externally funded research program in one or more areas associated with construction management and supporting techniques, and publish research results in high-quality scientific journals. The candidate will be expected to collaborate and interact with interdisciplinary faculty, programs and trade and professional organizations. The candidate will also be responsible for advising the CSM Student Club and Construction Management Competition team, supervising graduate students, advising undergraduates, assisting in development of Study Abroad opportunities, and providing service to the department, college, university, community, and profession.

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CLOSING DATE: Applicants are encouraged to complete an application as soon as possible. Review of applications will begin March 1, 2010 and continue until a suitable candidate is selected.

APPLICATION MATERIALS: Letter of interest, curriculum vitae, transcripts, statements of teaching and research accomplishments and interests, and names and contact information of three references. Application materials should be mailed to the address listed below.

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