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New PONSSE products at FinnMETKO 2010 Trade Fair, 2–4 September 2010

Ponsse will introduce an extensive selection of new PONSSE forest machines and accessories at the FinnMETKO 2010 Trade Fair. New PONSSE products are made for challenging harvesting conditions – for harvesting that is efficient and productive and which does not damage nature. Our new eight-wheel harvesters PONSSE Ergo 8w and PONSSE Fox, the new PONSSE Buffalo forwarder, PONSSE Bioenergy products, and our new crane and forwarder products are made for the top professionals in the forest machine industry. Come and see what the true pioneer of forest machines has to offer today! During the FinnMETKO 2010 Trade Fair, Ponsse will also arrange its traditional Ponsse Used Machine Days at Hotel Jämsä.

NEW HARVESTERS FOR CHALLENGING CONDITIONS

Ponsse will introduce its new eight-wheel harvesters to the Finnish audience at FinnMETKO: PONSSE Ergo 8w and PONSSE Fox harvesters. The new harvesters are especially designed for improving harvesting in demanding conditions. The new eight-wheel harvesters have been well received by the markets, and the new products have sold well after the start of serial production.

As an eight-wheeler, harvesting with the **PONSSE Ergo 8w** is particularly effective at sloping sites and on otherwise demanding terrain. Its effective yet economical Mercedes-Benz engine, dual circuit hydraulic system, sturdy and service-friendly structure and best ergonomic features guarantee that the PONSSE Ergo will continue to be the most efficient upper mid-range harvester on the market. The Ergo 8w can be equipped with balanced bogies to improve its hill climbing capacity. The surface pressure generated by the machine is lower than that of a six-wheeler, ensuring better carrying capacity on soft soil.

The new PONSSE Fox harvester combines the latest technology and reliable basic solutions to produce an efficient entity, particularly for difficult terrain and soft conditions. The completely new and powerful **PONSSE C22 crane** has an extensive reach and, thanks to its hydraulic movement function, is easy to use. Eleven-metre reach, easy manoeuvrability and two slewing motors make working with the machine extremely effective. The crane has been placed close to the cabin to improve visibility. Due to its eight-wheel design, the PONSSE Fox has stability which makes working even in hilly terrain extremely comfortable. As an eight-wheeler, the surface pressure of the PONSSE Fox is extremely low, making it particularly suitable also for soft terrain.

Based on the good experiences with PONSSE Fox, **PONSSE Beaver harvesters** are now also available with the C22 crane. The PONSSE C22 crane has proven easily controllable at thinning sites and during multi-stemming, and operators consider the machine easy to use. The heavy-duty **PONSSE Bear harvester** is now available also equipped with the new PONSSE C6 crane. The benefits of a sliding boom crane are especially evident on steep hills and when working at demanding regeneration felling sites with the H8 harvester head.

The new **PONSSE H6 harvester head** is highly applicable to versatile use, ranging from thinning sites with small trees to regeneration felling. The PONSSE H6 harvester head combines excellent geometry, powerful feed and cutting, precise measurement and versatile adjustments. Thanks to wide tilt movements, combined with quick and powerful feed and cutting, the PONSSE H6 is a highly reliable harvester head at all types of sites. H6 is also excellent for multi-stemming.

NEW FORWARDERS

Ponsse introduces a renewed version of its Buffalo forwarder. The **new Buffalo forwarder** is based on Ponsse's familiar and reliable solutions. A Mercedes-Benz 906LA engine, Sauer's hydrostatic transmission and 44° steering angle guarantee ultimate efficiency. In addition, Buffalo's productivity is guaranteed by a strong and reliable K90+ or K100+ loader, a spacious cabin, a variety of load space alternatives, a two-part rear frame and a handy load space extension.

The new PONSSE Buffalo has new machined front and rear frames which have been designed paying especial attention to ease of service. A new cast middle pivot, a reliable and sturdy cylinder-powered frame lock and new reinforced bogies ensure that the reliable Buffalo will serve you in logging for a long time. Furthermore, the new Buffalo includes a coloured forwarder display, a new cabin air conditioner system and several other new features that make the Buffalo easier to service and more comfortable to use. The new Buffalo will be available in serial production starting in February 2011.

PONSSE Buffalo ADS active suspension system effectively eliminates vibration caused by uneven terrain and keeps the cabin in the vertical position. The system enables fast movements of the six-wheel machine and offers the operator excellent working conditions by minimising any swinging movement of the cabin.

PONSSE BIOENERGY PRODUCTS

PONSSE Bioenergy products make harvesting of energy and small wood flexible and effective. **Multi-stemming** is an efficient technology for the **harvesting of small-diameter trees**. Energy wood can be harvested simultaneously with industrial wood, felled separately, or the harvesting equipment can be moved to be used solely for industrial wood harvesting. The multi-stemming feature of harvester heads is the solution for harvesting partially delimbed wood, undelimbed pulpwood and energy wood: industrial and energy wood can be harvested simultaneously, thus increasing the yield. All standard PONSSE harvester heads of different sizes are suitable for multi-stemming either as such or with minor optional equipment. **The PONSSE EH25 energy wood harvester head** is specially designed for locations where feeding and delimiting are not needed. Load scale **PONSSE LoadOptimizer** is recommended for the forwarder for weighing the timber. Ponsse's **mechanically or hydraulically modifiable load spaces** bring a new type of flexibility and efficiency to the harvesting of **industry and energy wood**.

NEW INFORMATION SYSTEM PRODUCTS

Designed for forest machine training, the new **PONSSE simulator** is available with both harvester and forwarder functions, and, in addition to forest machine work, training can also be provided for PONSSE's Opti and OptiControl measuring and control systems. The simulator includes several ready-made practice exercises that students can use to improve their skills. **The latest version of the Opti information system, 4.710**, will be available soon. It includes many features that make harvesting more efficient, such as reporting of multi-stemmed trunks, new logics facilitating multi-stemming, expanded OptiReport hardware, operator profitability

monitoring, and operator-specific selection of diameter measuring method either at the front knives or at the feed rollers.

The 4.710 version also includes new drive transmission control settings operators can use to improve the stability of driving based on the conditions and their personal preferences. To be published soon, the new OptiLoadOptimizer version 1.2.3 also includes several features facilitating horizontal measuring.

PONSSE 40 YEARS: Fully committed to its customers and the forest – since 1970

This year, Ponsse has been celebrating its 40th year in business. Ponsse has grown from a machine entrepreneur's dream to become an international export company with operations in nearly 40 countries. Ponsse is currently one of the world's largest manufacturers of rubber wheel cut-to-length forest machines. The ownership of this Finnish family company is still in the same hands, and its operations are guided by the same values as when it was founded. The company's production, R&D and administration are located in Vieremä, Finland – in the same place as 40 years earlier. The company's values and operating methods are based on the original principles of its founder, Einari Vidgrén. The customer has always been the starting point for Ponsse's operations: all innovations are associated with how customers value them and how they can benefit from them in their own business. Ponsse offers its customers comprehensive harvesting solutions so that the harvesting entrepreneur's operations are productive. Anniversary year site: www.ponsse.com/40v.

The 7,000th PONSSE forest machine

The first PONSSE forest machine in serial production, the PONSSE PAZ, was manufactured in 1971 for Erkki and Eero Vainikainen in Karttula, Finland. The 7,000th PONSSE forest machine was manufactured at the Ponsse Vieremä factory on Friday, 27 August 2010. Koneyhtymä Randelin Oy will receive the new PONSSE Ergo 8 w harvester at the FinnMETKO Trade Fair on Friday, 3 September at 2:00 p.m. at Ponsse's stand, no. 900. Continuity and a positive approach are important aspects of Ponsse's success story: long-term customer relations continue from one generation to the next, we have competent, long-term employees, and we continuously develop our products and services. Many thanks to all of our customers for their excellent cooperation!

***READ MORE ABOUT PONSSE'S NEW PRODUCTS AND NEW SERVICES
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