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Trimble Announces that Hitachi Construction Machinery Introduces Factory-Fit, Semi-Automatic Machine Control Excavator with Trimble Grade Control System

SUNNYVALE, Calif., Nov. 21, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Trimble (NASDAQ:TRMB) announced that the Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd. (TSE: 6305) ("Hitachi Construction Machinery") ZX200X-5B semi-automatic excavator is now available in Japan with a factory-fit Trimble[®] GCS900 Grade Control System. Hitachi Construction Machinery customers can now benefit from significant productivity gains using this new 20t class excavator with a Trimble machine control system in either a 2D or 3D configuration.

The Trimble GCS900 Grade Control System is a machine control system for earthworks that makes design surfaces, grades and alignments accessible to the operator on a display inside the cab. The system uses GNSS, GPS, laser, sonic or total station technology to accurately position the blade or bucket in real-time, significantly reducing material overages and improving the contractor's productivity and efficiency.

"The new ZX200X-5B excavator demonstrates Hitachi Construction Machinery's commitment to consistently develop and provide our customers with the technology, products and services that generate new value," said Manabu Edamura for Hitachi Construction Machinery.

"Trimble's expertise in grade control and Hitachi Construction Machinery's commitment to high-quality, innovative excavator technologies gives contractors in Japan a proven, cutting-edge solution that can be ordered right from the factory," said Bryn Fosburgh, vice president at Trimble.

Availability

The ZX200X-5B excavator with a Trimble GCS900 2D or 3D Grade Control System can be ordered directly from Hitachi Construction Machinery for customers in Japan only.

About Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd. (TSE: 6305), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a global construction machinery company with approximately 20,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2015 (ended March 31, 2016) consolidated revenues totaled 758 billion yen. Hitachi Construction Machinery will focus more than ever on the Construction and Mining Machinery Business, which includes Hydraulic Excavators, Wheel Loaders, Rigid Dump Trucks, Compaction Equipment, Cranes & Foundation Machines, Applications and Mine Management Systems. For more information on Hitachi Construction Machinery, visit the company's website at: <https://www.hitachicm.com/global>.

About Trimble's Civil Engineering and Construction Division

Trimble is a leading innovator of productivity solutions for the civil engineering and construction sectors. Trimble's solutions leverage a variety of technologies, including Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS), construction lasers, total stations, wireless data communications, the Internet and application software. As part of the Trimble Connected Site[®] strategy, these solutions provide a high-level of process and workflow integration from the design phase through to the finished project—delivering significant improvements in productivity throughout the construction lifecycle.

For more information, visit: construction.trimble.com.

About Trimble

Trimble is transforming the way the world works by delivering products and services that connect the physical and digital worlds. Core technologies in positioning, modeling, connectivity and data analytics enable customers to improve productivity, quality, safety and sustainability. From purpose built products to enterprise lifecycle solutions, Trimble software, hardware and services are transforming a broad range of industries such as agriculture, construction, geospatial and transportation and logistics. For more information about Trimble (NASDAQ:TRMB), visit: www.trimble.com.

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