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RICO EXPANDS PRODUCT LINE TO INCLUDE HIGH CAPACITY IC COUNTERBALANCED TRUCKS

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(December 1, 2004 – Medina, Ohio) RICO Equipment, Inc. prepares for 2005 by expanding its product line to include internal combustion engine lift trucks with capacities ranging from 20,000 to 60,000 lbs. The new PEGASUS IC series of heavy capacity industrial lift trucks is different from any other in its class because it is built with the operator in mind and includes a variety of features that make life easier for the driver.

First is an ergonomically designed cab that provides maximum comfort and convenience. The rigid structural steel compartment is rubber mounted, providing a protective environment isolated from both noise and vibration. Large steps and easy to reach grab rails enable safe entry and exit. Hydraulic controls are positioned to ensure maximum operator comfort while the adjustable suspension seat and telescopic/tilting steering wheel accommodate each individual operator.

Full instrumentation in the new ergonomic cab includes easy to read gauges supplemented with warning lights for all major functions.

The chassis features an all-welded steel plate frame. The frame is designed to withstand severe continuous duty by minimizing stresses in all vital attaching points. The rugged construction of the chassis also serves to protect the vehicle and its components in the event of an impact.

Engine options include LPG and diesel.

A high capacity cross flow radiator supplies maximum cooling efficiency while providing superior resistance to clogging. The bolt on grill is easily removed for service and cleaning access. The Powershift transmission with integral torque converter offers three speeds forward and three speed reverse. The transmission also includes inching control for situations requiring precise movement at high RPMs.

Severe duty hydraulically activated wet disk brakes are completely sealed to prevent contamination of the brake housing oil. The sealed oil bath dramatically reduces parts wear, making the brakes virtually maintenance free. Internal expanding shoe, self energizing cam brakes are available upon request for actuation with air chamber or external hydraulic cylinders.

The two stage mast ensures maximum rigidity while allowing excellent visibility. Lift cylinders are positioned to provide the most unobstructed view possible, while heavy duty pin type carriage permits full fork adjustment.

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