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KOBELCO SK500LC-10 Delivers Superior Power and Performance

Katy, TX – KOBELCO Construction Machinery USA, a world class crawler excavator manufacturer, is pleased to introduce its enhanced SK500LC-10 model. Part of the KOBELCO Generation 10, the SK500 features cutting-edge power and efficiency capabilities to make downtime a thing of the past.

This trendsetting excavator delivers a dynamic bucket digging force of 57,500-lbs and achieves leading-class work volume – even while minimizing fuel consumption. Equipped with an increased torque setting, the SK500 supplies 11% more digging volume than its predecessor. The upgraded model also boasts an impressive 10% increase in work volume. Much of this boost in efficiency comes from a new hydraulic regeneration system which further minimizes energy loss and ensures outstanding performance.

The robust 114,000-lb SK500 is powered by a 369-hp Tier IV Final HINO engine, allowing it to easily tackle tough applications and remain highly fuel efficient. A high-pressure common rail fuel injection system and variable-geometry turbocharger reduces particulate matter, while a large EGR cooler decreases NOx emissions by 80% to provide low operation emissions. The KOBELCO SK500 also incorporates a new hydraulic drive to optimize the cooling fan rotation speed and deliver ultra-quiet operation.

Independent travel, an exclusive KOBELCO feature, enables the SK500 to move, lift and swing simultaneously without experiencing loss of power, while automatic swing priority instantly delivers full swing power during combined operations. An optional Counterweight Removal System further enhances the SK500's reputation for powerful performance and efficient operation. This feature makes counterweight removal and installation a quick, simple process to reduce costs and increase safety.



The latest machine upgrades combined with a continued emphasis on operator comfort makes the KOBELCO SK500 a leader in its size class. A 25% reduction in pilot control operator force lessens fatigue during long hours of operation, while a reclining suspension seat, automatic air conditioner, radio with USB, AUX and Bluetooth capabilities, and large cup holder provide a pleasant work environment. Operators can also expect extended service intervals when it comes to engine oil, hydraulic oil, filter changes and greasing. Easy access to major compartments ensure convenient day-to-day maintenance and rear view and right side cameras provide excellent visibility and safe operation.

KOBELCO Construction Machinery USA offers industry-leading crawler excavators in the 3,000 lb. to 245,000 lb. classes including zero tail swing, compact, standard, long-reach, mass excavation, and demolition models. Well-known as the excavator authority, KOBELCO is committed to producing quality machines with advanced productivity-boosting features and innovative technologies. With premier capabilities such as no time limit power boost and exclusive independent travel, KOBELCO machines ensure superior performance and efficiency for the toughest worksite challenges.

For more information on KOBELCO Construction Machinery USA or KOBELCO products, please visit www.KOBELCO-USA.com or call 281-888-8430.

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Photo Caption 1: The KOBELCO SK500LC-10 features cutting-edge power and efficiency capabilities.



Photo Caption 2: KOBELCO launches the enhanced SK500LC-10 in North America.