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**AxleTech Introduces the PRC / PROC 2715 Series of
Planetary Rigid Axles
For Heavy-Duty Off-Highway Market Vocations**

Troy, Mich., (July 11, 2006) — AxleTech International, one of the world's leading suppliers of off-highway and specialty vehicle drivetrain systems, introduced today the PRC / PROC 2715 series of planetary rigid axles. This wide-track series enhances the overall performance, durability, and reliability of rugged forestry, construction, and mining vehicles. This axle was developed for these vocational segments and is available as a rigid or trunnion mounted axle assembly. Axle capacities range from 22,000 – 50,000 lbs. (10,000 – 22,700 kg.) depending on vehicle vocation.

These axles feature increased driveline torque and loading when compared to previous generation axles and accommodates larger tire sizes. In addition to a wide selection of gear ratios, a shift-on-the-fly hydraulically controlled differential is available which gives the vehicle maximum traction and preserves axle components through a “soft-lock” capability. An optional limited slip differential with 2.0 bias ratio improves traction in select vocations, and a right-hand hypoid carrier option is also available for optimized driveline angles.

This series includes wet-disc brakes as standard. A carrier input pinion mounted park brake option is available.

The PRC / PROC 2715 series is customizable, and offers industry leading design innovations from brakes to differential to mounting options.

For more information about the AxleTech International PRC / PROC 2715 planetary rigid axle for agriculture, forestry, and mining loader applications, please call 1-877-877-9717. Information is also available at www.axletech.com.

About AxleTech International

AxleTech International is one of the worlds leading designers and manufacturers of drivetrain components, systems, and aftermarket parts serving the commercial, industrial, construction, agricultural, mining, forestry and military vehicle markets. We are a leading supplier of heavy-duty off-road planetary axles, high-mobility vehicle hub reduction axles, independent suspensions, transfer cases and brakes to OEMs on every continent. AxleTech is a privately owned company with origins as the North American off-highway and European specialty division of Rockwell International. AxleTech is headquartered in Troy, Michigan, U.S.A.