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### Thern Set to Showcase Air Winch Line At OTC 2008

#### Additions Include ABS Type Approval, Man-Rider Units

March 5, 2008, WINONA, MN. - Thern, Inc. is among the registered exhibitors for the 2008 OTC show May 5-8 in Houston, TX. With this year's conference theme being "Waves of Change", Thern is set to promote some exciting additions to their air winch line.



New for this year's show, Thern will be showcasing their personnel rated winches. Dual-rated and designed with personnel lifting in mind, Thern's Big Red Rider Personnel/Utility winch series adds a desired dimension to an air tugger line already growing in popularity within the oil and gas and offshore drilling markets.

Thern is also pleased to announce ABS Type approval for its Personnel/Utility air winches, certifying that Thern's line is manufactured to the highest industry standards. TA2.5 and 5 Utility models have also received ABS Type approval for ship mounting applications. Third party ABS certification is available per request on all units.

"Thern continues to experience a high level of interest in our air winch line", says Bill Sievers, Marketing Development Manager with Thern. "Operators in the field are interested in the rugged construction and smooth operation of the motors and valves."

Increasingly popular in the construction, marine, oil and gas and mining markets, Thern air winches are designed to provide lifting and pulling power on job sites where electrical hookup is either hazardous or unavailable.

Celebrating its 60th Anniversary in 2008, Thern, Inc. is a major designer and manufacturer of winches, cranes and hoists for virtually any industrial application. Founded in 1948, Thern is headquartered in Winona, MN. and markets its products worldwide. Learn more about Thern products at [www.thern.com](http://www.thern.com) or contact us via email at [info@thern.com](mailto:info@thern.com) or call 1-800-843-7648.

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