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Caldwell, Thern Collaborate to Offer New Winch Boom

New Boom Provides Portable Alternative to Overhead Cranes

April 21, 2008, WINONA, MN. - Equipment movers, millwrights, iron workers and material handling operators have an exciting new option for their specialized lifting needs. As the result of recent collaboration, the Caldwell Group, Inc. and Thern, Inc. are pleased to announce the development of a new portable winch boom.



Designed to meet the lifting requirements of this user group, the portable winch boom combines the lifting capacity of more expensive overhead cranes with the maneuverability of a fork lift through its compact, portable design. The winch boom combination also allows for extended reach and provides below ground level lifting and lowering capabilities to reach into spaces where a forklift mast cannot reach.

Conveniently mounting on standard fork lifts via “fork pockets” and operating on standard 110VAC power supply, the winch boom quickly converts a forklift into a portable crane. With a lifting capacity up to 2400 lbs, this unit is ideal for small and mid-sized loads.

Available in fixed, pivoting and telescoping unit configurations, operators can choose a unit specific for their needs. Additionally, the unit also features an easy-to-use push-button pendant control on a 15 ft cord for remote winch operation, further reducing site-related movement restrictions. DC power and hydraulic configurations are also available upon request.

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