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Minnesota's First High-Reach Backhoe Arrives

ROGERS, Minn. – August 13, 2007 – Veit, a specialty contracting and waste management company based in Rogers, Minn., has taken delivery on the state's first high-reach backhoe.

The high-reach backhoe is a state-of-the-art machine that is used for controlled demolition. The equipment has several features that make it ideal for demolition in high and tight spaces, and safer than a crane and wrecking ball. Unlike cranes, the backhoe does not require a significant amount of space in which to operate and is able to demolish a structure in controlled amounts, relatively vibration-free. The end of the boom is equipped with a high-pressure dust suppression system, which eliminates the need for a laborer to stand in an aerial lift where fall hazards are a concern.



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“Our investment in this technology will help us service our customers in a safer, more efficient manner,” said Steve Hosier, demolition division manager with Veit. “We excel at solving tough jobsite challenges, and as the only contractor in Minnesota with the high-reach backhoe, we’re equipped and ready to handle demolition projects that have historically been challenging due to their height.”

Veit’s high-reach backhoe was custom designed and includes a Caterpillar base, outfitted with a specialized boom capable of reaching heights in excess of 125 feet.

While in-use in Europe for some time, the high-reach technology is in the early stages of broad acceptance in the United States. Beyond the technology advancements, experts also cite new crane operator certification requirements and the increase in retiring crane operators as reasons for the interest and transition to the high-reach backhoe.

About Veit

Veit is one of the Midwest’s leading specialty contracting and waste management companies offering comprehensive services to general contractors and customers in private industry, municipalities and local government. Specialty contracting services include earthwork, demolition, environmental remediation, utilities, foundations and industrial cleaning. Waste management services include roll-off containers, construction and demolition debris landfills, recycling and transfer facilities and waste hauling. Headquartered in Rogers, Minnesota, Veit is a privately-held, third-generation business founded in 1928. For more information on Veit visit www.VeitUSA.com.

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