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## News Release

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### **Gehl Company Announces a Revolutionary Radio Remote Control System to Enhance their Personnel Work Platform System**

Gehl Company announces a revolutionary Radio Remote Control System, which allows a telescopic handler operator to control boom functions using a compact, wireless remote control pendant from outside the cab, or from within a personnel work platform. The hand-held pendant can be used to raise, lower, extend and retract the boom, and start and stop the engine.

“Our goal was to add functionality to the machine without overburdening it with cost or complexity. By combining a leading-edge radio remote control system with our Personnel Work Platform System, we were able to develop an easy-to-integrate package that accomplished our goal,” explained Gehl Engineering Manager, Merrick Monaghan.

This Radio Remote Control System is a major enhancement to our Gehl-exclusive Personnel Work Platform System, explained John Koepf, Gehl Telescopic Handler Product Manager. “This is a revolutionary, time-saving option, especially for roofing and construction contractors. The Remote Control System allows contractors to be more productive, by not requiring the operator to remain in the cab. It can be useful for anyone who needs to precisely maneuver materials to different elevations,” said Koepf.

The pendant/transmitter is waterproof and resistant to impacts encountered on jobsites. The solid-state unit has a proportional trigger control for controlling the speed of the boom.

The system uses “Frequency-Hopping, Spread-Spectrum” (FHSS) technology, which was initially developed for military applications. FHSS devices concentrate their signal power into a narrow band, which randomly hops from frequency to frequency within a designated radio band to prevent signal errors. Each transmitter uses a programmable, unique ID code to ensure that no two systems will conflict at a job site. Its radio transmission pattern, along with its error-checking techniques, enables its signal to overcome the interference that commonly affects licensed radios.

“The Radio Remote Control System has already generated a strong interest from users during prototype and field testing,” said Koepf. One user told Koepf, “Sell one to our boss. It’s better than all the rest of the lifts I’ve used. Definitely a plus!”

The Radio Remote Control System adds a new level of versatility to telescopic handlers. It directly addresses the need for more productivity and at approximately one-third the cost of the option from the few competitors that offer a remote control. It gives contractors extra value by allowing them to engage in a greater variety of job applications with a single machine.

The Radio Remote Control System is now available on all Gehl DL Series telescopic handlers that are equipped with the Gehl PWP system, and will soon be available on Gehl RS Series models that are equipped with the PWP system. In addition, Gehl is developing a 90-degree swing carriage for use in conjunction with the Radio Remote Control System. This carriage will allow users to position a work platform exactly parallel to a building, or to position their telescopic handler parallel to a building, which creates a larger area for working without repositioning the machine.

For more information, see your local Gehl dealer, contact Gehl Company at 143 Water Street, West Bend, WI 53095 (tel. 262-334-9461), or visit our web site ([www.gehl.com](http://www.gehl.com)).

Gehl Company (NASDAQ: GEHL) is a leading manufacturer of equipment used worldwide in construction and agricultural applications. Founded in 1859, the company is headquartered in West Bend, Wisconsin.

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