

One Millionth KOHLER Courage V-Twin Engine Rolls Off Hattiesburg Assembly Line

Kohler Engines celebrated a milestone yesterday as the one millionth KOHLER Courage V-Twin engine rolled off the assembly line in Hattiesburg, MS, and into a place of honor. In celebration of this occasion, Tom Cromwell, President of Kohler Engines and Mark Cassidy, Vice President of Operations, presented Plant Manager Drew Hankins and associates with a commemorative plaque. The one millionth engine was fitted with a chrome shroud and added to the display of other milestone engines in the plant lobby.

"The success of the KOHLER Courage engine line reflects the growth of Kohler's presence in the consumer lawn and garden market," says Cromwell. "The engine was pulled from the assembly line and placed in the plant as a testament to the hard work and dedication that the Hattiesburg associates have relentlessly demonstrated over the years."

The one millionth KOHLER Courage V-Twin engine signifies a great accomplishment for the Hattiesburg plant. Production began in 2005 just as Hurricane Katrina ravaged the Gulf Coast of Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana. Many associates lost their homes and manufacturing was hampered by the loss of power and flooding. "The resilience and hard work of many associates has made this one millionth KOHLER engine even more special," adds Cromwell.

The KOHLER Courage V-Twin engine is primarily found in consumer riding lawn mowers and is available in 11 models ranging from 20–27 hp. The KOHLER Courage V-Twin engine features:

- User-friendly maintenance with easy-access to check and fill the oil, plus top-access to the air cleaner system
- A two-year limited warranty covering most consumer applications
- Quiet, smooth operation with an acoustically dampened air induction box that reduces intake noise

- A long life design with a cast iron cylinder liner and large capacity air cleaner

For additional information about the KOHLER Courage V-Twin engine or any other KOHLER engines, please visit www.KohlerEngines.com.

Kohler Engines, along with Italy-based Lombardini, represent a global engine concern in business since the 1920s. Together, Kohler Engines and Lombardini manufacture a wide range of gasoline and diesel engines, from 4 to 64.4 hp, which are supplied to equipment manufacturers worldwide in the lawn and garden, commercial and industrial, agricultural, and construction markets.

New at TST

Christian Lagerlof has now joined the staff at TST Sweden AB. Christian will primarily be working with sales outside the Nordic countries. He can be reached by phone at +46 320 20 58 72 and e-mail at Christian@tst-sweden.se.

Mobile Power Washing Associations Unite to Develop a Best Management Practices Model, Workshop, and Ordinance

The Power Washers of North America (www.pwna.org) and United Association of Mobile Contract Cleaners (www.uamcc.org) have joined together to develop a model cosmetic mobile power washing best management practices (BMPs), workshop, and ordinance based on the EPA's model ordinance. PWNA is making this information available for free to regulation

authorities for use in developing their own models to comply with their MS4 NPDES permits for Phase I and Phase II.

"The BMPs and model workshop are based on over 15 years of enforcement history, working with regulators around the country," says Robert Hinderliter, Environmental Chairman for the PWNA and UAMCC. "We have placed emphasis on being reasonable, rational, and logical, which has proven to result in the highest level of compliance—meaning minimum contaminants in the storm drains—and with almost no cost or enforcement effort, a very important element in this time of limited budgets."

A free CD/DVD is now available from Power Washers of North America. The ordinance can be downloaded from www.pwna.org, www.uamcc.org, or by e-mail request to robert.hinderliter@powerwash.com.

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