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New Sunflower® 4700 Series In-line Ripper Deep-Tillage Tools Designed to Break Up Compacted Soils

DULUTH, Ga. (Aug. 16, 2012) — AGCO (NYSE:AGCO), Your Agriculture Company (<http://www.AGCOcorp.com/>), a worldwide manufacturer and distributor of agricultural equipment, introduces three new Sunflower® 4700 Series in-line rippers. The newest 4700 in-line rippers are built for farmers searching for a rugged machine that will dig deep and stand up to tough soil and residue conditions, while helping restore optimum yield potential to heavily compacted soils.

The 4700 Series in-line rippers are intended for primary fall tillage and are available in three models and five widths. They are built on beefy Sunflower-tough frames, with heavy-duty shanks designed to slice through tough crop residue and deeply penetrate and shatter compacted soils.

“With three models in three styles and five widths, there is a Sunflower 4700 Series in-line ripper to match any farm size and all field conditions,” says Tom Draper, Sunflower seeding and tillage product marketing manager. All are backed by the Sunflower three-year limited warranty.

The SF4710 is a three-point-mounted rigid frame, available with five, seven or eight shanks and a maximum 20-foot working width. The SF4730-8 is an eight-row flat-fold frame with eight shanks and a 20-foot working width. The SF4730-12 is a 12-row pull-type with an over-center fold frame. With 12 shanks and a 30-foot working width, it is one of the largest in-line rippers in the industry.

Tough main frame, minimal-disturbance shanks

All three models feature a main frame constructed of strong 4- x 6- x 3/8-inch steel tubing that is cross-braced and gusseted for added rigidity and trouble-free maintenance.

Minimal-disturbance shanks of 1 ¼-inch high-strength, abrasion-resistant steel are spaced at 30-inch intervals. They have a maximum working depth of 20 inches and a 3,500-pound point load for a deep, consistent attack on even the toughest hardpan soils. Shank points are available in 3-inch and 7-inch widths to meet the needs of varying soil moisture conditions.

In addition, optional parabolic shanks with a 3,500-pound point load and a 16-inch operating depth are available in a fixed version with shear bolt protection.

Options for the 4700 Series in-line rippers include front coulter blades to slice residue; wavy coulter row sealer attachments to close the slot created by the ripper shank; disc levelers used with the parabolic shank to close the trench behind the shank and build a berm; and a rolling basket to firm the berm created by the disc leveler coulters. Optional pull-type hitch conversions are available to change three-point frames to pull-type.

The new 4700 Series in-line ripper will be on display at the Farm Progress Show in Boone, Iowa, and at Husker Harvest Days in Grand Island, Nebraska. For more information about these new models and the full line of tillage tools from Sunflower, see your Sunflower equipment dealer or visit www.sunflowermfg.com.

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