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Ag Leader Enhances SeedCommand™ System with Introduction of Planter Clutch

Ames, Iowa, February 2, 2009 – Today, Ag Leader Technology, Inc., a leader in the development of precision farming solutions, introduced the patent-pending SureStop™ electric row clutch for row crop planters. SureStop clutches, the latest component of Ag Leader's SeedCommand system, provide growers with a low-maintenance, user-friendly solution to reduce seed costs and increase yield potential.

Using GPS, the SeedCommand system communicates with SureStop clutches to turn planter sections on/off based on field maps and already-planted areas. The clutch starts and stops seed flow by temporarily disengaging the seed meter, eliminating double-planted areas as well as the need to slow down to accurately raise/lower the planter at end rows.

SureStop clutches, designed for chain drive seed meters, install on the inside of the row unit between the seed meter and the drill shaft sprocket. Installation is quicker and easier than clutches that require drill shaft removal and an air compressor and tank. The SureStop clutch also features a sealed enclosure to resist moisture, dust and other forms of contamination as well as withstand tough field conditions.

"We are thrilled to expand our SeedCommand product line to include SureStop electric clutches, allowing growers to purchase a complete planter control system from one manufacturer," says Ag Leader New Business Development Manager, Roger Zielke. "Minimal maintenance, simple installation and a durable design make SureStop clutches a powerful addition to any planter."

Availability for Ag Leader's SureStop clutches will be limited through select dealers for the 2009 growing season. Full production is expected to begin in June 2009. For more information, visit www.agleader.com.

About Ag Leader

Ag Leader is a pioneer and recognized technology innovator of precision agriculture hardware and software. Located in Ames, Iowa the company manufactures and markets industry leading precision farming technology designed to help growers make smart, profitable business decisions. Founded in 1992 the company has achieved consistent growth and expansion by providing value-based products that help growers and ag professionals achieve and maintain a successful operation.

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