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COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA - Behlen Mfg. Co., headquartered in Columbus, Nebraska, is pleased to announce the purchase of the farm and lawn implements (3-point equipment) business of HawkLine Nevada, LLC, an affiliate of Carry-On Trailer Corporation in Mt. Orab, Ohio. HawkLine is a leading manufacturer and distributor of high quality, rugged, and affordable 3-point equipment. The transaction closed on July 15, 2010.

Behlen Country, a division of Behlen Mfg. Co., is excited to offer HawkLine products to their customers. HawkLine products are well established in the industry and offer added value to customers by combining high quality construction and innovative design at competitive prices. This acquisition will add more than 70 new items to Behlen Country's existing 3-point product offering, bringing the total to more than 100 products (SKUs).

These products will be offered in the United States and Canada with manufacturing occurring in Columbus, Nebraska and Huntingdon, Tennessee immediately and Baker City, Oregon coming on line in early 2011. This acquisition will help position Behlen for the rebounding economy, provide more than 40 new jobs, and help to increase market share in the growing 3-point equipment industry.

Tony Raimondo, Jr., President of Behlen Country, added, "Having more than one hundred SKUs of 3-point implements shipping right alongside our more than 3,000 items of farm and ranch equipment will provide an unparalleled product offering for our dealers. Quick shipments, along with mixing and matching this broad array will help Behlen Country dealers provide high quality, competitively priced farm and ranch equipment."

J. Pearson, President and CEO of Carry-On Trailer Corporation, explained, "We need to put our full focus on growing our trailer, parts, and accessories programs. Behlen is the perfect partner to ensure a smooth transition for our customers and their 3-point product lines."

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