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Rehlko presents the new Command PRO_® 888

Delivering Superior Performance and Reliability for the Next Generation of Turf Equipment.

Louisville, Kentucky – October 16th, 2024 – Rehlko strengthens its position in the gasoline turf engine industry with the launch of the new Command PRO® 888, building on over a century of tradition in engine innovation. With an 888 cc displacement, this engine redefines industry standards by delivering exceptional power and torque density, all within a compact design that simplifies integration for OEMs.

The Command PRO® 888 represents the next generation of Rehlko's carbureted gasoline engines. Available in two distinct versions—the CV829 and CV832—the Command PRO® 888 is purpose–built to meet the demands of commercial users, providing unmatched performance and durability. With a focus on maximizing uptime and reducing maintenance costs, the engine delivers the highest net power in its class while requiring less installation space. It serves as an ideal replacement for larger displacement engines, offering superior performance without increased investment or size.

Powerful Performance and Reliability

The Command PRO® 888 sets a new benchmark for power and torque in the 800 cc category, surpassing competitors of similar size with its greater power density and efficiency. This is achieved by delivering up to 32 net horsepower and 53 ft-lbs of torque in a compact design. The engine also features a best-in-class governor response, ensuring rapid power delivery with a new mechanical governor system.

This makes the Command PRO_® 888 the ideal solution for applications requiring instantaneous power and reliability.

Versatile Solution for Diverse Applications

The Command PRO® 888 engine is engineered to power a broad range of commercial rideon and stand-on mowers. Its compact size and drop-in replacement capability make it easy for OEMs to integrate the engine into existing designs or new installations, offering a superior power solution without extensive redesigns. Rehlko's design ensures consistent customer interactions, enabling manufacturers to improve equipment performance and provide a smooth transition to a more powerful and efficient engine.

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Unmatched Performance for End Users

Landscaping professionals will benefit from the Command PRO® 888's robust engineering, giving them the confidence to tackle even the toughest jobs without compromising on performance or durability. The engine's extended maintenance intervals significantly reduce downtime, resulting in maximum productivity and profitability. The Command PRO® 888 ensures the lowest cost of ownership over its lifespan, minimizing repair expenses and maximizing time in the field. Engineered for longevity, it provides professionals the peace of mind to focus on their work rather than equipment maintenance.

A New Chapter in Rehlko's History

The Command PRO_® 888 is the first engine introduced under the Rehlko brand following the company's rebranding from Kohler Energy. On September 17, Kohler Energy announced its transformation into Rehlko, marking a new era of innovation and agility for the company. This transition follows the completion of a transaction in May 2024, when Platinum Equity acquired Kohler Energy as a stand–alone business. Platinum Equity now holds majority ownership of Rehlko, with Kohler Company remaining an investment partner.

This transition underscores Rehlko's commitment to delivering innovative and resilient energy solutions for mission-critical infrastructure, facilities, and residences.

With the launch of the Command PRO® 888, Rehlko reaffirms its leadership in the turf market, providing unmatched power, reliability, and value to OEMs and end-users alike.

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About Rehlko engines

With a century-long legacy of innovation, Rehlko stands as a trusted leader in engine manufacturing, renowned for delivering reliable and efficient power solutions.

The company designs, builds, and maintains a comprehensive range of diesel, gasoline, hybrid and alternative fuels engines up to 140 hp of power – adopted globally by machine and equipment manufacturers in the most important sectors of industry (construction, earth–moving, agriculture, generators and landscaping). Formerly operating under the Kohler brand, the company has now rebranded under its new corporate name Rehlko to embrace its future as an independent entity, while maintaining its commitment to the same high standards of quality, innovation, and service.

A global leader in energy resilience, Rehlko delivers innovative energy solutions critical to sustain and improve life across home energy, industrial energy systems, and powertrain technologies, by delivering control, resilience and innovation.

Its portfolio of businesses includes Engines, Power Systems, Home Energy, Kohler Uninterruptible Power, Clarke Energy, Heila Technologies and Curtis Instruments.

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