

**CONTINENTAL TYRE SOUTH AFRICA** has received the ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System certification for its Port Elizabeth Plant Warehouse. This follows an audit conducted in 2014 by the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) on the Plant Warehouse operations. A surveillance audit was also completed, with the lead SABS auditors reporting that the RTT Port Elizabeth Business Units at the Regional Distribution Warehouse, Plant Warehouse and Transportation division passed with zero findings.

**LIQUI MOLY SA**, an additive specialist, says its fuel additives reduce fuel consumption of fleets by more than 3%. The firm says the potential annual savings in operating costs for large fleets are massive. The additives are said to improve engine care, with the fuel injectors kept clean all the time. This means the likelihood of repairs is reduced and the lifespan of engines is increased.

**KOHLER** has launched its new 55REOZT4 diesel-powered mobile generator capable of a 46-48kW standby rating and 42-43kW prime and continuous rating. The model is compatible with its recently launched Mobile Paralleling Box, which delivers flexibility by allowing users to parallel different sized generators with fuel types to optimise power for the specific task at hand.

**LIEBHERR'S** new XPower large wheel loader line to be rolled out this year ranges from the L50 to the L586. The XPower concept, first shown in the L550 and L586 models, is a drive train that combines a hydrostatic drive and a mechanical drive. Liebherr says the hydrostatic drive is most efficient for material uptake and traveling over short distances, and the mechanical drive is the most efficient and powerful option for long distances and for uphill.

**DITCH WITCH'S** new SK752 mini skid steer loader is powered by a 24,8hp Kubota engine. The ergonomic operator station has standard dual-lever ground drive

controls and an optional joystick. The platform has a two-way auxiliary control foot pedal for maintaining hydraulic flow to the attachment while keeping hands free to control depth and ground speed.

**BOBCAT** has launched the new MT85 mini track loader with a rated operating capacity of 385kg, 35% more than its predecessor, the MT55. Lift height is 12% higher and lift arm breakout force is up by 29%. A new operator presence/safety pedal regulates the auxiliary hydraulic flow for use with attachments. The pedal must be engaged when the operator is using an attachment with detent hydraulic flow.

**GEHL'S** new Z55 excavator brings to six the number of compact units in its line-up. With a cab, operating weight is 5 555kg. It is powered by a 47,6hp Yanmar engine. ECO mode is said to reduce engine speed by 10% without sacrificing power, and auto deceleration decreases engine speed to idle after four seconds without hydraulic movement. Combined, this is said to reduce fuel consumption by 20%.

**WACKER NEUSON'S** new TH522 is a ground-engaging telehandler that is said to offer a three-machine-in-one concept. It is designed to be used with ground-engaging attachments and can work as a wheel loader to dig and carry, a skid steer capable of using attachments, and a telehandler. A universal attachment plate and a quick-connect hydraulic connection block allows it to accommodate most wheel loader and skid steer attachments.

**BARLOWORLD EQUIPMENT** used its Big Dig event to launch the new Cat AP600F wheeled paver. An integrated generator, the power behind the new screed heating system, is a fuel saving enhancement. The generator is connected directly to the paver engine and operates as a core part of the machine. When used with automatic engine speed control, Eco-mode efficiently manages engine speed to optimise fuel economy.

## New facility for Corobrik

### Pavers

Visitors to Corobrik's new Lansdowne Centre will enjoy an enhanced customer experience in convenient new surroundings. The new centre is based at 1 Mahillon Road, Philippi in Springfield, 300m away from the previous premises, ensuring regular customers are not inconvenienced. "As the contract for our old premises was coming to an end, we saw the perfect opportunity to rebuild our store in line with Corobrik's new centre 'look'," explained Christie van Niekerk, Corobrik manager: Western Cape. The purpose-made building has a user-friendly appearance and layout, with the customer's needs informing the building's design.

An important addition to the Lansdowne Centre is the new Building Training Centre positioned just behind the showroom and sales facilities. Moving from the original site, the new Building Training Centre is a modern facility that can accommodate 15 trainees at a time.