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### **GEHL ANNOUNCES SIGNIFICANT ENHANCEMENTS TO ITS RS6 AND RS8 SERIES TELESCOPIC HANDLERS**

WEST BEND, WISCONSIN -- Gehl Company, a leading manufacturer of compact construction and agriculture equipment headquartered in West Bend, Wisconsin, has made significant improvements to its 6,000 and 8,000 lb. "RS Series" rough terrain telescopic handlers. The new RS Series telescopic handlers have increased lift heights, up to 44' on the RS8, making it a true "4-story machine." Gehl has also updated the ROPS/FOPS canopy and cab with an ergonomically designed operator station and pilot-assisted controls.

The new RS6 telescopic handler has a longer boom that reaches to 42', and its rated operating capacity has been increased to 6,600 pounds. The new RS8 telescopic handler, with a rated capacity of 8,000 pounds is now available with boom lengths of 42' and 44'. The new booms have a welded box-section design that they share with the proven Gehl Dynalift® Series which makes them even stronger than previous models. Increased operating capacities are achieved without the use of outriggers or fluid-filled tires, although for added stability outriggers are now optional.

Also now optional on the RS6 and RS8 models is the patented Personnel Work Platform (PWP) Safety System. The PWP System allows the use of ANSI/ASME B56.6 - compliant work platforms, which are commonly used by framers and siding contractors. The PWP System adds versatility making jobs almost as easy as working at ground level.

A rear axle stabilizer cylinder has been added to the RS Series machines, which improves stability when the boom is raised more than 60 degrees, the parking brake is applied, or the PWP System is activated. Other improvements include a stronger frame with reinforced C-channels, internal wet disc brakes for better stopping capability and longer life, and a SAHR (Spring-Applied, Hydraulically-Released) parking brake. The SAHR parking brake applies automatically when the engine is shut off, or manually by pressing a rocker switch. The new design eliminates cable stretch and adjustments associated with many other telescopic handlers.

The spacious and redesigned operator station provides pilot-assisted controls that are easy-to-reach and easy-to-operate, optimizing operator precision and productivity. The view from the cab is a full 360 degrees. For applications that require operator protection from the weather, an enclosed cab can be ordered with front and rear windows and a heater/defroster. A suspension seat is optional. A transmission declutch feature and a work light package can be added to further increase the productivity of these machines.

All RS Series models offer turbo charged diesel engines with power ratings ranging of either 99 or 115 horsepower. A three-speed power-shift transmission, three steering modes and quick-attach work tool-mounting system are all standard on the new RS Series models.

The Gehl RS Series telescopic handlers are positioned in the North America market to provide excellent return on investment for independent rental operations and construction companies.

For more information contact the nearest Gehl Dynalift® dealer, visit the Gehl website at [www.gehl.com](http://www.gehl.com) or contact the Gehl literature hotline at 800-628-0491.

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