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Hypertherm Plasma Takes to the Road Summer Tour to Begin in Mid-July

HANOVER, N.H.—July 9, 2008—Hypertherm is taking its plasma on the road with two new Hypertherm Mobile Cutting Centers. The Cutting Centers are traveling throughout North America showing people how easy, productive, and fun it is to cut with plasma.

In addition, the Cutting Centers feature the latest plasma technology and innovation such as Hypertherm's Powermax30® and Powermax1250® systems, as well as the fully integrated PowermaxEDGE® mechanized cutting system.

"While on the road, we are constantly approached by people interested in learning more about plasma. People want to see the newest technology and learn how to optimize their current system," said Jeff Deckrow, Hypertherm's North American director. "The new Hypertherm Mobile Cutting Centers will make it easier for us to do just that. It enables people to receive personalized demonstrations as well as touch and use some of the world's best plasma arc metal cutting systems."

The Cutting Centers begin a Summer Tour this weekend, traveling to Southern California for the Golden State Classic Auto Race on July 12 and 13. Other stops include:

Aug. 15-17	Sports Car Championships at Monterey's Laguna Seca Raceway
Aug. 19-21	Ag Progress Days in Rock Springs, Pennsylvania
Sept. 9	Commonwealth Supply Open House in Hanover, Pennsylvania
Sept. 9	Oxygen Service in St. Paul, Minnesota
Oct. 5-7	Lone Star Nationals at the Texas Motor Speedway in Fort Worth

New stops are constantly getting added. For the latest Cutting Center schedule please visit <u>www.hypertherm.com</u>.

Hypertherm designs and manufactures the world's most advanced plasma cutting systems for use in a variety of industries such as shipbuilding, manufacturing, and automotive repair. Its product line includes handheld and mechanized plasma systems and consumables, as well as CNC motion and height controls. Hypertherm systems are trusted for performance and reliability that results in increased productivity and profitability for tens of thousands of businesses. The New Hampshire based company's reputation for plasma innovation dates back 40 years, to 1968, with Hypertherm's invention of water injection plasma cutting. The company, consistently named one of the best places to work in America, has more than 1,000 associates along with operations and partner representation worldwide.

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