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Allmand Bros. 'Goes Live' on the SmartEquip™ Network

NORWALK, CT (February, 2009) –Allmand Bros. has 'gone live' on the SmartEquip Network to boost its aftermarket support system for its fleet owner customers including The CAT Rental Stores, Sunbelt Rentals, United Rentals and Volvo Rents. The company is a leading manufacturer of portable light towers, compact tractor loader backhoes, Port-A-Lite™ light stands, solar arrow boards and jobsite heaters.

In less than four (4) weeks, enabled by SmartEquip's 'Fast-Track Onboarding' program, Allmand Brothers was uploaded on to SmartEquip's Fleet Support Network. SmartEquip's 'Fast-Track Onboarding' program is a quick, cost-effective and practical solution for OEMs to support national rental fleets. Allmand Bros. will continue to provide after-market catalog and parts information via its web site, www.allmand.com.

"Over the past few years, SmartEquip has continued to work with Allmand Bros. to develop a solution that meets the needs of this specific channel while respecting and understanding solutions that we selected to reach other customer groups", said Russ Stratton, Communications and International Sales Manager, Allmand Bros.

Enabled by SmartEquip, fleet owner customers will experience a more streamlined parts and service process, increased fleet uptime and an overall decrease in the cost of fleet ownership. The SmartEquip Fleet Support Network provides real-time connectivity between fleet owner customers and the fleet and customer support systems of their preferred suppliers.

About SmartEquip

SmartEquip's mission is to provide an industry platform that enables manufacturers, distributors and equipment owners to dramatically increase asset productivity while reducing the cost of doing business. The SmartEquip Network supports key product support activities – from parts, and service to safety, training, warranty submission, and electronic procurement. Our team has created a win-win solution that improves transaction speed, accuracy, profitability, and customer satisfaction. Manufacturer participants include Deutz, Doosan Infracore Portable Power (Ingersoll-Rand), Gradall, Genie, JLG, John Deere, LeeBoy, Lull, Magnum Products, Manirou, Mi-T-M, Multiquip, Power Solutions, SkyTrak, Sakai, Sullair, Sullivan, Takeuchi, Volvo Construction Equipment and Wacker Neuson. Fleet owner participants include rental companies such as Acme Lift, The CAT Rental Stores, RentalOne, Sunbelt Rentals, United Rentals, Volvo Rents, and a growing list of the Rental Equipment Register (RER) Magazine's Top 100 Rental companies and independent rental companies.. For more information or for a demonstration, call (203) 899-1800, email info@smartequip.com, or visit www.smartequip.com.

About Allmand Bros.:

Allmand Bros. Inc., established in 1938, is a leading manufacturer of portable light towers, compact tractor loader backhoes, Port-A-Lite™ light stands, solar arrow boards and jobsite heaters. For more information, contact Allmand Bros. Inc., P.O. Box 888, Holdrege, NE 68949, call 800-562-1373, fax 308-995-5887, e-mail info@allmand.com or visit the company's Web site at www.allmand.com.

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