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TAKEUCHI CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF WORLD'S FIRST 360 DEGREE COMPACT EXCAVATOR

Takeuchi Japan (September 1, 2021): It was 1968 when Mr. Akio Takeuchi, founder of Takeuchi manufacturing was approached by a business partner and builder to design and build a machine that would replace pickaxes and shovels. This request set in motion what would become the world's first compact excavator, the TB300. This new innovation and technology would change the construction equipment industry forever.

In 1971, Takeuchi manufacturing introduced another world's first, the TB1000 360 degree compact excavator. With an operating weight of 1,000 kg and a dig depth of 1,800 mm, the TB1000 was designed and built for small jobsites with restricted room to work. The TB1000 was released 50 years ago, and Takeuchi has continued to move forward with their vision for improving the lives of builders and equipment operators around the world.

With over 57 years in the compact construction equipment industry, the TB300 and TB1000 wasn't the only first. In 1986 Takeuchi designed and built the world's first rubber track loader and once again changing the construction equipment industry.

To find out more about Takeuchi and its history, visit takeuchiglobal.com.

About Takeuchi

Takeuchi is an ISO 9001 certified manufacturer of an extensive line of compact track loaders, compact excavators, compact wheel loaders, and skid steer loaders. Founded in 1963, Takeuchi was the first company to introduce the compact excavator to North America, setting the stage for one of the highest growth product segments ever introduced in the compact equipment market. The compact excavator has become a main line product for both rental and construction/utility companies. Takeuchi continued to lead the compact construction industry with the introduction of the first compact track loader to North America.

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