

2007 TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES – HIGHLIGHTS

Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake LLC, the joint venture between Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC and Dana Corporation, has identified several key initiatives for 2007. The organization offers the latest advances in truck, tractor and trailer foundation brake technology, engineering a comprehensive selection of high performance foundation brake solutions for today and tomorrow under the Bendix[®] and Formula Blue[™] brand names. Following are highlights of several priority technology programs.

AIR DISC BRAKES

North American production of Bendix[®] ADB22X[™] air disc brakes began in 2005 in Frankfort, Ky., supporting the increase in market acceptance of air disc brakes in North America. Bendix air disc brakes are proven to significantly reduce stopping distances for commercial vehicles, as well as virtually eliminate brake fade. Extensive ongoing field testing in 2007 continues to validate the product's superior performance advantages relative to brake fade, stopping distance and pad and rotor life in a wide range of vocations. Bendix spline disc rotor technology will become available with aluminum hubs in 2007, providing significant weight reduction in conjunction with outstanding performance.

FOUNDATION DRUM BRAKES

Two specific areas of development highlight our focus with foundation drum brakes in 2007. First is the expansion of our drum brake initiatives to the global market. With the creation of new drum brake products for South America, India, and Europe, we will expand on a strong legacy of industry firsts in foundation drum brake technology – including quick change brakes, Extended Service thicker linings, and lightweight spiders. In addition, 2007 will see the continued development and field testing of high performance drum brake packages that will enhance foundation drum brake value, significantly reduce stopping distances, and meet the proposed new Federal government rulemaking expected to take effect in 2009.

ACTUATION

Another year of proven product performance and reliability has resulted in the Bendix[®] ASA-5[™] slack adjuster becoming the standard at many trailer OEMs in 2006. In 2007, we will pursue additional original equipment growth, while continuing to provide our unmatched support to the aftermarket. The Bendix ASA-5 slack adjuster's advanced corrosion resistance and durability, which enable it to exceed SAE's 200,000-cycle durability test, is leading the way for the future of automatic slack adjusters. In 2007, design improvements to the Bendix[®] spring brake and the entire brake actuation product line will create significant original equipment growth opportunities. In addition, the extra total brake system technical and maintenance support that Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake provides to dealers and customers sets us apart in the industry.

AFTERMARKET

We're committed to delivering the most complete offering of wheel-end components and aftermarket solutions for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty applications. Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake is a one-stop source for nearly 50,000 OE-quality, all-makes foundation brake replacement parts. Our aftermarket product line growth in 2007 will be further accentuated by the expansion of our high-quality, comprehensive reline shoe program, and the launch of an expanded line of Formula Blue[™] hydraulic brake parts. The Formula Blue product line, consisting of more than 7,000 light- and medium-duty parts, is being expanded to include full lines of premium, high-quality hydraulics parts for model year coverage up to 2007 for the broadest range of domestic and import makes and vehicle applications. Formula Blue's comprehensive medium-duty hydraulic product line illustrates the one-stop shopping that exists with Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake.

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