

Husqvarna AB Selects ProQuest for Global Internet and CD-Based Parts and Service Solution

New system will enable Husqvarna AB and its dealers to access up-to-date parts and service information for both online and CD

Richfield, Ohio - May 22, 2006 - ProQuest Business Solutions, a business unit of ProQuest Company, announced today that it has signed a global, multi-year contract with Sweden-based Husqvarna AB, a leading provider of outdoor power and lawn maintenance equipment. ProQuest Business Solutions will provide Husqvarna AB with its proven Net-Compass (Internet) and PartsManager Pro (CD) software solutions enabling Husqvarna AB and its dealers to quickly find parts and service information. The ProQuest solution will provide a comprehensive parts, service, and bulletin look-up system, and will integrate into Husqvarna's online ordering system for Husqvarna AB employees, distributors, and more than 35,000 Husqvarna AB dealers worldwide.

The ProQuest - Husqvarna AB partnership will include professional and consumer brands. *Professional:* Husqvarna, Jonsered, Yazoo/Kees, Bluebird, Partner Industrial, Dimas, Diamant Boart, Felker, and Target. *Consumer:* Flymo, Partner, McCulloch, Poulan, Poulan Pro, Weedeater, as well as private labels.

ProQuest will provide Husqvarna AB and its dealers with a comprehensive parts and service look-up system on CD and over the Internet. The new innovative ProQuest system will enable users to quickly and easily search and identify the correct parts, service, and technical information required for repairs, resulting in reduced customer equipment downtime. The enhanced ProQuest solution will provide a significant reduction in the time required to submit orders and queries, resulting in greater customer satisfaction and an improved overall dealer experience. Whether using the CD or Internet look-up system, dealers will have access to the most current parts and service information.

"Husqvarna AB was looking for a proven, experienced, long-term partner," said Lennart Dorthe, CIO of Husqvarna AB. "We believe that we have aligned ourselves with the leader in the outdoor power equipment industry. ProQuest's global presence and proven technology solutions are critical to the success of our parts and service transition."

"ProQuest Business Solutions is very pleased to have been chosen by Husqvarna AB over several competitors as their provider for product support applications," said Scott McEwen, Vice President, ProQuest Business Solutions. "Our single platform strategy continues to provide dramatic results for manufacturers and their dealers in combining parts, service, ordering and warranty as a total solution. Our scalable technology allows Husqvarna AB to leverage their existing ProQuest eConnect solution into their larger global parts and service offering. This global partnership further increases our global industry visibility and reinforces our leadership role as the premier product support solutions provider in the outdoor power equipment market."

Bike Howard, Director of IT Projects, E-Commerce Husqvarna AB, stated "After carefully reviewing the best systems available, ProQuest surfaced as the obvious choice. We're confident they will continue to prove themselves as a top performer with this implementation."

About Husqvarna AB

Founded in Sweden as a weapon factory in 1689, Husqvarna AB is one of the world's oldest industrial companies. Years of experience in precision engineering and manufacturing, combined with an innovative approach to research and development have always put Husqvarna in the forefront of the outdoor power industry. Today, Husqvarna is a world leader in forestry, lawn and garden products. Since 1977 Husqvarna has been part of the Electrolux Group. The company is the primary component of the Professional Outdoor Products division of Electrolux.

About ProQuest

ProQuest Company is based in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and is a leading publisher of information solutions for the education, automotive, power equipment, and powersports markets.

ProQuest's Business Solutions segment is primarily engaged in the delivery - in electronic form - of comprehensive parts and service information to the automotive, power equipment, and powersports manufacturing markets. Its products transform complex technical data, like parts catalogs and service manuals, into easily accessed electronic information, both CD- and Internet-based. For the world's automotive manufacturers and their dealer networks, ProQuest also secures business-to-business information and retail performance management services.

ProQuest Company was recently named one of the nation's 200 best small companies by Forbes magazine, and one of the 100 fastest growing technology companies in the United States by Business 2.0 magazine.

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