

■ Hoist Liftruck's FR Series line of extendable counterweight rigger trucks now includes an electric version to complement the existing IC models. While maintaining all the functionality of its IC counterpart, the new FR-E features a 72/80V AC powered 2-speed hydrostatic drive with variable motor rpm control and an AC lift motor.

■ J D Neuhaus (JDN), a leader in air hoists, cranes, trolleys and monorail hoists, has enhanced its remote-control capabilities. Three remote control models are now available, RC-X, RCS and RC-SP, each comprising of a transmitter and receiver and all can either be integrated in existing JDN solutions or directly combined with a new JDN hoist.

■ Daseke Inc., has completed the acquisition of Aveda Transportation and Energy Services, one of the largest and fastest-growing oil rig moving companies in North America.

■ Kenco Bucket Trucks assisted in the 2,600-mile transport of two superloads for Edwards Moving & Rigging, transporting a steam turbine generator and steam turbine from Houston to the Canadian border, before it arrived at the Cinook Power Station in Saskatchewan, Canada.

Yale Cordage acquires new test bed

Yale Cordage has acquired a Sahm Splice test bed for destructive and non-destructive testing of synthetic rope, wire rope, shackles, chain and slings up to 1,300,000 pounds in tensile and a low-range capacity of up to 250,000 pounds. With a maximum test sample length of 116 feet with a 15-foot stroke, it is one of the largest and most capable test beds in

the eastern United States.

"We are very excited to bring this added test capability to Yale for our existing and future clients," said Bill Putnam, president, Yale Cordage. "We're constantly striving to take the synthetic rope industry to new heights and test the limits of our engineering capacity, and this test bed is just the next step in helping us achieve that mission." ■



Yale Cordage will use the test bed for destructive and non-destructive testing of rigging gear.

CM rolls out training station

CM Labs has released its Signaller Training Station, a one-of-a-kind simulation-based solution. Designed to work in conjunction with CM Labs' Vortex Trainer and Advantage simulators, it allows trainers to simultaneously engage multiple students in a single exercise.

While one apprentice operates a virtual crane via the Vortex simulator, another uses

the Signaller Training Station to provide guidance.

The trainee signaller can move around a realistically simulated worksite to inspect the lifting area, identify potential hazards, gain a clear view of site activity and provide hand signals to direct the crane operator via webcam and picture-in-picture display. The result is that new operators that are better prepared for any worksite. They learn critical skills before engaging with real cranes. ■

The Signaller Training Station was launched at the Tower Cranes North America Conference.



HoistCam debuts videos

HoistCam remote camera monitoring systems from Netarus has made self-installation and troubleshooting easier. The company recently launched a



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HC190 and WinchCam. Other videos dive deeper into mounting the monitor, setting up the MDVR for HoistCam Director, and troubleshooting Pan-Tilt-Zoom. Designing products that are easy to install reduces costs and enables customers to deploy cameras on their schedule, rather than having to arrange for a service technician. In addition, it

Bay Crane utilizes MegaMAX trailers

Bay Crane has three super low 3-axle Faymonville MegaMAX double drop stretch trailers, which feature king-pin steering. The 42-degree steering angle allows steering into tighter locations than ever before. With a drive height of only 13.8 inches, the MegaMAX's perimeter-style deck is the lowest stretch in the market and offers the possibility to move highest goods underneath the lowest bridges.

The 3-axle trailers on air suspension are rated for 100,000 pounds technical capacity. Faymonville's East Coast dealer Hale Heavy Haul sold the trailers to Bay Crane.



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