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E-Z Pack Offers Advanced Gladiator™ Cylinder For Multiple Refuse Body Brands

CYNTHIANA, KY – E-Z Pack Manufacturing, LLC, makers of the E-Z Pack brand of front loaders and rear loaders, is now offering its advanced Gladiator™ Pack-Eject cylinders as replacement parts to fit other brands of refuse bodies. The Gladiator cylinder will be available in December, 2008, for Heil, McNeilus, Wittke, and Wayne bodies that require a telescopic pack-eject cylinder.

The Gladiator was designed exclusively for E-Z Pack by Hyco International of Arab, Ala., one of the premier cylinder manufacturers in the world. E-Z Pack front loaders have featured the Gladiator cylinder since summer, 2008, and according to Parts and Service Manager Jeff Wellman, “With the superior design of the Gladiator, it just made sense for us to add this cylinder to the inventory of parts that we offer for other brands of bodies.”

The Gladiator uses an advanced scraper design that cleans the cylinder rods of debris and contaminants that are so prevalent in the refuse environment. Unlike other, more aggressive scrapers that can cause premature wear, the Gladiator scraper is made of stainless steel and is spring loaded to allow it to float on the cylinder rod, ensuring positive contact with less friction. The result, says Wellman, “is a pack-eject cylinder that will deliver longer service life and superior performance, even better than any OEM pack-eject cylinder currently being used on refuse trucks. It’s actually a replacement cylinder that’s better than original equipment.”

The Gladiator also features a unique hydraulic flow that controls the proper sequencing of each stage, preventing the common fault of “mis-staging” in telescopic cylinders. Because refuse body telescopics usually function in pairs, if they do not sequence their stages in unison, the result can cause damage to other internal components.

The Gladiator is also unique in the industry for its internal components (sleeves and rods) that are nitrocarburized, producing a surface that will outlast typical chromium plated components. Pistons and rods are inertia welded for superior strength, and bronze bearing surfaces are used for high strength with less friction.

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The Gladiator telescopic cylinder is backed by a 3-year warranty.

In addition to producing its own line of refuse vehicles, E-Z Pack has become a single source parts supplier with a wide range of parts for refuse collection equipment manufactured by Heil, McNeilus, Wittke, Wayne, Bayne, Perkins, Galbreath, Curotto, and Pioneer, among others. The E-Z Pack Parts and Service Network offers electrical parts and controls, bearings, filters, switches, bushings, gaskets rollers, pins, valves and numerous other parts for these other brands.

For more information about the Gladiator, contact Jeff Wellman at 1-800-331-0136.