“Rolling it Together”

A Summary of Road Friendly Technologies and Low Impact Vehicles

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Perth Racecourse
Perth, Perthshire, Scotland, UK
Total Tyre Pressure Control at your fingertips!
TPC International Profile

- Edmonton, Alberta, Canada based company
- In business since 1996
- Principles involved with technology since 1990 with a combined experience in TPCS of over 35 years.
- TIREBOSS is 3rd Generation TPCS – introduced in 2001
- Support & Service are key strengths
- Supplying TPCS into Scotland since 2006
Outline

• Summary of Variable Tyre Pressure (VTP) principles and primary benefits
• Tyre Company Views on TPCS
• TIREBOSS overview
• Demonstrated Results
• Going Forward – expanding the benefits
• Implementation strategies and available Cost Benefit Tools
HOW IT WORKS

Higher Pressure

Lower Pressure
Balanced Tire Pressure

Equal loading

UNBALANCED PRESSURE

Unequal loading
Tyres at high pressure are over-inflated when:
- the vehicle is empty, or
- loaded at slow speeds.
And???

This **over-inflation** is a major cause of road, tyre and vehicle damage.
Benefits

Lowering the tyre pressure results in:

• Increased traction and mobility
• Superior performance in soft ground
• Reduction in assist vehicles
• Reduced soil compaction
• Smoother ride – less vibration
• Increased tyre life and ability to regroove
• Reduced vehicle maintenance costs
What do Tyre Company’s say about varying tyre pressures

• In support of TPCS systems that incorporate standard criteria for tyre inflations
• Tyres are designed to run warm
• TPCS systems must allow for normal heat build up
• Tyre pressures are matched to load & speed
• TPCS systems should have method for auto inflate if speed is exceeded for the selected pressure/load
February 23, 2000

Mr. Norm Burns, Trucking Specialist
Operation Support Branch
Saskatchewan Highways & Transportation
1665 Victoria Ave., 9th Floor
Regina, Saskatchewan.
S4P 2V5

Dear Mr. Burns,

Further to our conversation of the 25th of January on the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool pilot project for grain transportation, we are pleased to confirm the inflation pressures requested in the new chart supplied to us by you in your note dated December 22nd 1999.

You will find below the table representing different PSI recommendation for the different settings in your application.

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<th>SELECTED SETTING</th>
<th>STEER AXLE</th>
<th>DRIVE AXLE</th>
<th>TRAILER AXLE</th>
<th>MAXIMUM SPEED</th>
<th>MAXIMUM TIME</th>
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<td>46 psi</td>
<td>10 Kph.</td>
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What is TIREBOSS?

A computerized Tyre Pressure Control System that allows a driver to monitor and adjust tyre pressures to match his load and speed, while in motion.
TIREBOSS Overview
Controller

- The “brain” of the TIREBOSS system and its operator interface
- Displays visual & audible alerts
- Pre-programmed to match your specific application and configuration
- Provides operational warnings

Driver only makes simple selections and the control automatically does the rest
## Example Settings

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<th>Drive PSI</th>
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6 x 2 & Trl with maxi tyres
Can set for simple operation

e.g. 2 Settings Only

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Can supply in other languages

Redimix 2
TIREBOSS Wet Tank & Priority System
Valve Control Assembly

- All controls in one location
- Sealed box protects components
- Air supply to/from tyres at this one location
- Designed for extreme heat and cold
Valve Control Assembly

- Reliable components
- Self-diagnostic
- Easily serviced
- Tyre fill ports on side
- Load sensing option
- Heaters come on automatically in cold temperatures
Drive Axle Hardware is Practical & User Friendly
External Hardware Proven Durable
Severe Conditions
Non Driven Steer Axle
Serviced by just about anyone!
**TIREBOSS Safety Features**

- Vehicle air brake system always has priority with 2 stage protection system
- Speed monitoring is standard - auto inflate if speed exceeded for selected tyre pressure
- Loss of tyre pressure alerts driver immediately
- Allows normal heat build up in tires
- Tyre overheat alert
- Air flow restriction alert
- Load sensing option for air suspension vehicles
TIREBOSS Features

• Retrofit system - adaptable to all vehicles and axle types
• Constant monitoring and control of tyre pressures - up to 130 psi
• Continuous inflation - fast build up times
• Interface capability with vehicle data loggers
• Easily transferred when vehicle replaced
• Several OEM’s offer preparation options for TIREBOSS systems
New Wheel End Valves

- One WEV for each tyre
- Prevents total loss of tyre pressure
- Shut off taps included for easy servicing
- Will adapt to all existing wheel kits
- Currently in field trials
Dual Tires with WEV
Demonstrated Results

First CTI System 1942 DUKW
Tyre LIFE DOCUMENTED

- **ON-HIGHWAY** application recorded 20% increase in tyre life. (Federated Co-op, Saskatchewan)

- **Moderate ON/OFF-HIGHWAY** application recorded 40% increase in tyre life. (FERIC Star Truck Project, Gaspse, Quebec)

- **Severe ON/OFF-HIGHWAY** application recorded a 100% increase in tyre life. (FERIC, Lumby BC)

The worse the conditions, the greater the benefit
SST in US Logging
Weyerhaeuser – Louisiana
Weyerhaeuser Goals to Achieve with SST

- Reduce mud tracking on paved roads
- Reduce rutting and improve roads
- Reduce weight – increased payload
- Optimize performance with TPCS
Results with SST & TPCS

• Mud tracking reduced
• Reduced rutting and healing of roads
• Average mobility and traction – performed better than trucks w/o TPCS
• Trucks with twin tyres on drives and TPCS had better mobility and traction than SST with TPCS in this application
• Eventually switched back to twin tyres on drives with TPCS
Demonstrated Results

8 passes
65 psi

1 pass
105 psi
BC Government Approval of use of TPCS on Banned Roads

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Feb. 18, 2008

NEW POLICY EXTENDS HAULING SEASON, PROTECTS ROADS

VICTORIA – The province has approved the use of automated tire pressure control systems to allow industrial hauling on back roads during previously closed time periods, helping to increase opportunities for B.C.’s natural resource industries, Transportation Minister Kevin Falcon announced today.

“This new policy will permit hauling during part of the spring load restriction periods, while protecting the province’s road infrastructure,” said Falcon. “B.C.’s forest, mining and oil and gas industries will achieve increased cost savings and improved product quality as a result of increased access to back roads during the spring thaw season.”

During the spring thaw season, back roads are normally closed to large trucks, which can damage the roads. Lower reductions in truck tire air pressure have been found to significantly reduce the impacts on roads while still maintaining safe driving standards. The tire pressure control system allows truckers to automatically reduce and increase tire pressure to pre-set optimum levels over the course of their trip based on data entered into an on-board computer.

“The new system is an example of how innovative technology can be used to enhance the safety of our roads and highways for B.C. industry,” said Solicitor General Rich Coleman. “At the same time, my ministry staff will have the means and information needed to maintain road safety for all users.”

“We will also be able to ensure that our resource roads are not significantly damaged by inappropriate use during the spring thaw, thus saving taxpayers money on rehabilitation costs.”

“We believe this is an excellent opportunity to gain more working hours for truckers while reducing the size and cost of log yard inventories carried through the spring load restriction periods,” said Allan Bondley, senior transportation researcher at the Forest Engineering Research Institute of Canada.

Companies participating in ministry pilot programs during the 2001 and 2003 spring load restriction periods have reported they experienced significant cost savings with the system. One forest company said they saved as much as $200,000 over four weeks.

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The Pressure Control International Ltd.
Log Haul in BC Canada
In Spring 2003, Tembec in Cranbrook, B.C. extended the log haul season by 22 days over spring banned roads, moving an extra $3.5 million worth of wood.
Demonstrated Results

With Tyre pressure @ 100 psi, the right-hand wheel path completely fails in 200 passes. Vehicle speed 80 km/h.

High Pressure – 200 passes
Demonstrated Results

With Tyre pressure @ 65 psi, the complete driving lane is virtually undamaged in 720 passes. Vehicle speed 80 km/h.
Improved Ride
GOING FORWARD
Changing Vehicle Configurations

• Various Changes can include:
  ▪ 6 x 2 (with lift axle) instead of 6 x 4
  ▪ Less aggressive tyres – longer life
  ▪ Lighter chassis and trailer components
  ▪ Lower HP engines
TPCS provides opportunities for vehicle changes

- Reduced weight – more payload
- Improved fuel economy
- Lower capital cost on truck components
- Lower maintenance costs – less damage to drive train components, fewer cracks and body related damage = longer vehicle life
Swedish Experience with 6 x 2

• Kälarne (steer, drive, trailer system):
  “Much better traction with 6 x 2 with TIREBOSS than a 6 x 4 without”

• Bjälverud (steer, drive, trailer system):
  “More payload at the same time as better traction”

• Backan (rear drives only, on 6 x 2):
  “Cheaper truck, more payload and very good traction. I am very satisfied”
Going Forward in Sweden

- SCA forest company are now expanding the use of TPCS to other applications
- Requiring TPCS on equipment haulers, gravel trucks and other service vehicles
- Only TPCS vehicles are allowed on secondary forest roads
- New roads being built with less surface material
Implementation Strategies are key to success

• All stakeholders can benefit:
  ▪ vehicle owners/ contractors/ drivers
  ▪ forestry companies
  ▪ traveling public and road regulators

• It is important that all groups work together toward a positive implementation

• Strategies and tools have been created to assist with successful implementation
Operational Savings Analysis Program

TIREBOSS Tire Pressure Control Systems - Operational Savings Analysis

TIREBOSS Savings Estimated For: ABC Logging
Date: March 15, 2006
Contact: Joe Trucker
Truck Configuration: 8 axle B-Train
Trucks to be Equipped with TIREBOSS: 1

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TIREBOSS-related savings from increased truck use

Anticipated increase in annual operating hours per TIREBOSS-equipped truck
120 Hours

Increase in net annual revenue due to haul season extension
$ 3,066

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TIREBOSS-related fuel savings

Total fuel savings per year for each of your TIREBOSS-equipped trucks
$ 6,204

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For more information, please contact Tire Pressure Control International Ltd. Toll free 1-888-338-3587 website: www.TIREBOSS.com
Operational Savings Analysis Program

Do Tire Pressure Control Systems (TPCS) make sense for your log hauling operation? Find out with the new tool for estimating economic benefits from TPCS

Brian Spreen, Tire Pressure Control International

1. Why this tool?
TPCS-related benefits are numerous and diverse. Truck owners considering investing in this technology need to estimate these benefits to make an informed decision.

2. Program components
- TIREBOSS TPCS cost estimate
- Tire related savings
- Traction related savings
- Fuel consumption savings
- Increased operating hours calculation
- Payback period calculation
- Internal Rate of Return calculation
- References for default values
- Savings summary

3. Program inputs
- General information about vehicle and hauling operations
- The program offers default % improvements with TPCS (based on published research) that may be used in lieu of specific data

4. Program outputs
- Estimated cost of TPCS
- Estimated annual benefit of operating TPCS
- Estimated investment payback period and internal rate of return
- Tool available in C$, US$, GBP and Euro

5. Sample results from an actual TPCS fleet in Canada
ABC Logging, is a Western Canadian logging company that operates a fleet of 8 axle B-train logging trucks.

Installed cost for 1 truck-trailer with TIREBOSS = $22,550
Total annual vehicle operational savings = $14,476
Payback Period = 1.6 years
IRR on TPCS investment = 31%
# Road Related Savings Program

Estimated road-related savings from utilising TPCS timber haulage trucks  
(adapted from the USDA Forest Service Surfacing Thickness Program)

Prepared for UK Forest Industry  
last update: 18-Oct-07

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<td>Other Savings</td>
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<td>Increase in haul rate for TPCS-equipped trucks</td>
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## Savings summary and details

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<td><strong>Total savings with TPCS</strong></td>
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Many Diverse Applications
“Rolling it Together”

Special Congratulations to James Jones and Sons for being awarded the very prestigious “2010 Scottish Environmental Haulier of the Year” award.

This award was mainly due to their investment in TPCS on their lorries.
Thanks for your attention