

Donaldson Company Announces A Revolutionary Filter Media Technology For Heavy-Duty Trucks And Off-Road Equipment

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MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 17 — With more streamlined designs, stricter exhaust emissions regulations and increased horsepower, today's heavy equipment and truck engines are running hotter in a more confined amount of space. To meet manufacturers' demand for a compact, high-performance air filtration solution, Donaldson Company is introducing its Donaldson PowerCore™ filtration technology. This advanced media technology is currently being targeted toward new off-road equipment and heavy-duty trucking intake applications. As an alternative to larger-sized conventional filters, Donaldson PowerCore's straight-through airflow and high-density filtration system reduces system restriction and extends filter life, reducing overall maintenance costs.

Donaldson PowerCore is noticeably different in shape, color and style. Its compact, metal-free, cartridge-style design traps contaminants inside its structure for cleaner and easier servicing. Donaldson PowerCore uses Donaldson's RadialSeal™ technology, providing the most advanced and reliable seal possible. To date, 27 patents around the world cover Donaldson PowerCore filtration technology.

"Larger, conventional filters require clearance space for proper air flow. They also have a hollow center to allow the filtered air to exit to the engine," said Marty Barris, director of air filtration, Donaldson Company. "Donaldson PowerCore eliminates the need for these wasted spaces by combining high-density filter media packaging with a straight-through flow design. The combination results in significant size reduction options which other filtration technologies can't offer."

Because of its shape options and smaller size, the Donaldson PowerCore air intake systems have more mounting options than conventional filters. An intake system designed with Donaldson PowerCore media technology can utilize options such as a secondary seal, protective wraps, and safety filter to enable increased airflow and system efficiency for peak performance in all conditions.

Donaldson Company, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, Minn., is a leading worldwide provider of filtration systems and replacement parts. Founded in 1915, Donaldson is a technology-driven company committed to satisfying customer needs for filtration solutions through innovative research and development. Donaldson serves customers in the industrial and engine markets including dust collection, power generation, specialty filtration, off-road equipment and trucks. More than 8,200 employees contribute to the company's success at 40 manufacturing locations around the world. In fiscal year 2001, Donaldson reported record sales of more than \$1.1 billion and achieved its 12th consecutive year of double-digit earnings growth. Donaldson is a member of the S&P MidCap 400 Index and Donaldson shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DCI. Additional company information is available at www.donaldson.com.

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