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ASABE TO REVISE REAR-MOUNTED PTO STANDARD

ST JOSEPH, MICHIGAN— The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has initiated a project to revise one of its standards for rear-mounted power take-off on agricultural tractors.

ANSI/ASABE AD500-1:2004 W/Cor. 1 DEC2010, Agricultural tractor – Rear-mounted power take-off types 1, 2 and 3 – Part 1: General specifications, safety requirements, dimensions for master shield and clearance zone, is an adoption, with deviations, of the identically titled international standard, ISO 500-1:2004, and was approved as an ASABE standard in December 2010. An error was found in the Forward section of the standard, in which deviations from the ISO document are listed. PTO output speed of 1000r/min shaft was incorrectly stated as 100r/min shaft.

ASABE is recognized worldwide as a standards developing organization for food, agricultural, and biological systems, with more than 225 standards currently in publication. Conformance to ASABE standards is voluntary, except where required by state, provincial, or other governmental requirements, and the documents are developed by consensus in accordance with procedures approved by the American National Standards Institute. For information on this or any other ASABE standard, contact Scott Cedarquist at ASABE, 269-932-7031, cedarq@asabe.org. A current listing of all ASABE standards projects can be found on the ASABE web site at http://www.asabe.org/standards/proposed.html .

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