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TAKEUCHI ANNOUNCES SKYWORKS LLC AS NEW DEALER IN FLORIDA

Atlanta, GA: Takeuchi-US, an innovative global leader in compact equipment, has announced Skyworks LLC as a new dealer in Fort Myers, Florida. This follows Skyworks' acquisition of Southern Gulf Equipment, a Takeuchi dealer and general rental company.

Skyworks will continue to sell and rent the full Takeuchi product lineup, including excavators, skid steer loaders, track loaders and wheel loaders building on the strong legacy of service and support built by Southern Gulf Equipment. Skyworks will also stock parts and perform equipment repair, and it will ensure an experienced staff by retaining all 32 employees from Southern Gulf Equipment.

Established in 1999, the family owned and operated business originally served as an aerial rental specialist, but in the past few years Skyworks has converted most of its stores to general rental. Along with its new location in Florida, Skyworks has 15 locations throughout New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Tennessee, Maryland, and Virginia.

"This is a new chapter for our company as it is our first full-blown general rental store," said Jerry Reinhart, owner and CEO of Skyworks. "We are hoping to learn from this and someday all our stores will be the same. We are excited to now be able to offer Takeuchi equipment, which has already been established throughout the area and will continue to succeed under our company's direction."

"We are excited to work with Skyworks, which is a great family owned business and very well-respected organization," said Todd Granger, director of dealer sales at Takeuchi-US. "By keeping the staff from Southern Gulf Equipment, we should have a smooth transition for all involved parties. We look forward to Skyworks continuing to growing the Takeuchi brand in South West Florida."

For more information on Takeuchi track loaders, wheel loaders, excavators, or skid steers, visit www.takeuchi-us.com. Follow Takeuchi on Facebook or on Twitter @TakeuchiMFG.

About Takeuchi

Takeuchi is an ISO 9001 certified manufacturer of an extensive line of compact track loaders, compact excavators, compact wheel loaders, and skid steer loaders. Founded in 1963, Takeuchi was the first company to introduce the compact excavator to North America, setting the stage for one of the highest growth product segments ever introduced in the compact equipment market. The compact excavator has become a main line product for both rental and construction/utility companies. Takeuchi continued to lead the compact construction industry with the introduction of the first compact track loader to North America.

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