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“We're thrilled that the Kansas City Fire Department has selected Pierce for this significant order, and we are committed to supporting the mission of KCFD. Kansas City has been purchasing Pierce apparatus since 2008, and this order signifies an acceleration of their fleet becoming standardized around the Pierce brand,” said Jim Johnson, Oshkosh Corporation executive vice president and president of the Fire & Emergency segment and Pierce Manufacturing. “Kansas City’s selection of Pierce products is a testament to the performance of our people and our dealer network.”

This order is being financed utilizing the fleet replacement-financing program offered through Pierce Financial Solutions in conjunction with PNC Equipment Finance, LLC. The fleet replacement-financing program is a flexible, cost effective fleet management system available to Pierce customers.
The 28 pumpers are built on Pierce Impel® custom chassis with a 201-inch wheelbase, and each features a 450 HP engine, TAK-4® independent front suspension, Command Zone™ advanced electronics and control system, a raised roof cab, and a frontal and side roll protection system. The pumpers also feature a 1,500 GPM single stage pump, a 500-gallon water tank, full-height and full-depth compartments and a full complement of ground ladders.

The four rescue pumpers are built on Pierce Impel custom chassis each with a 450 HP engine, TAK-4 independent suspension, Command Zone advanced electronics and control system, a raised-roof cab, Pierce's frontal impact and side roll protection system, and seating for five firefighters. The vehicles also feature a 161-inch aluminum body, a 500-gallon water tank, and three crosslays.

The nine Pierce aluminum aerial platforms are built on Pierce Velocity® custom chassis, each with a Cummins ISX15 600 HP engine, TAK-4 independent front suspension, Command Zone advanced electronics and control system, Pierce's frontal impact and side roll protection system, and seating for six firefighters. The 100-foot aluminum aerial platform apparatus also are specified with a 2,000 GPM single stage pump, twin aerial monitors, Lyfe aerial tools at the basket and breathing air to the tip.

The three heavy-duty combination walk-in / non-walk-in rescues are built on Pierce Velocity custom chassis with TAK-4 independent front suspension. The rescue bodies are 23.5 feet in length and 100 inches wide. They feature a portable crane 12V winch, rope anchors, 15 air bag racks, and nine large exterior compartments with a combination of slide out trays, adjustable shelves, and rollup doors, and a 30kW PTO driven generator.

The three 100-foot aluminum aerial tiller apparatus are each built on a Pierce Velocity tractor chassis and feature a 600 HP engine and TAK-4 independent suspension on both the front axle and the rear tiller trailer axle, Command Zone advanced electronics and control system, and Pierce's frontal impact and side roll protection system. The tiller vehicles also feature a 22-inch front bumper extension, 15 exterior storage compartments, and storage for a full complement of ground ladders and pike poles.

The Hazmat vehicle will respond to major emergencies across the region. It is built on a Pierce Velocity chassis with a 20-inch raised roof cab (a three-door configuration with a rear wall walk-through), side roll and frontal impact protection, TAK-4 independent front suspension and tandem rear axles. The vehicle also features a command area including an L-shaped desk (with overhead and under desk cabinets), interior wall cabinets, LED video monitor, a skylight escape hatch as well as a light mast, two electric awnings, roof compartments and a fully automatic leveling system.

The Pierce dealer, Conrad Fire Equipment of Olathe, Kansas, will provide local service and support for this order. For more information, visit www.conradfire.com.

About KCFD
Staffed with nearly 1,400 members, KCFD responds to nearly 115,000 fire protection, emergency medical service, emergency rescue, and hazardous materials call for service annually in Kansas City. The Department consists of 34 fire stations organized into seven battalions. The uniformed portion of the department is segmented into six bureaus: Community Services, Professional Development, Technical Services, Special Operations, Emergency Operations and the Emergency Medical Bureau.

About Pierce Manufacturing

Pierce Manufacturing Inc., an Oshkosh Corporation [NYSE: OSK] company, is the leading North American manufacturer of custom fire apparatus. Products include custom and commercial pumpers, aerials, rescue trucks, wildland trucks, minipumpers, elliptical tankers, and homeland security apparatus. In addition, Pierce designs its own foam systems and was the first company to introduce frontal airbags and the Side Roll Protection system to fire apparatus. To learn more about Pierce, visit www.piercemfg.com.

About Pierce Financial Solutions

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