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The Cat® FM548 is simply the best choice in its size class for doing roadbuilding, processing, and log-loading work. With 205 kW (275 hp) and significant hydraulic flow and swing torque increases, the superior performance and exceptional operator comfort and safety of the FM548 will help you produce day in and day out.



BUILT FOR THE OPERATOR

The Certified Forestry Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) cab is sound-suppressed and sealed. Its exceptional, unobstructed jobsite view confidently supports and secures the operator when taking on challenging tree-moving work.

READY TO WORK

This versatile machine features multiple configurations up to 584 mm (23") class processing heads, heel and grapple, powerclam/butt-n-top grapple, and roadbuilding gets the job done no matter the tasks at hand.

SAVES TIME AND MONEY

Experience increased uptime and low maintenance costs with longer-life fuel and hydraulic oil filters. Cat® fuel filters have double the life of the previous filters, and the hydraulic oil return filter provides up to 50% more service life.

LATEST FEATURES



Machine Setup Simplification

 At the touch of fingertips and navigating user-friendly icons, the latest operator oriented User Interface (UI) maximizes uptime and gets crews to work without delay. From re-ordering work tool lists to creating new work tool combinations as needed, operators can guickly set up machines and easily access information.

Foot Pedal Swing Control Kit

• The FM538 offers powerful, reliable performance optimized for challenging forestry tasks, and now, operators can enhance productivity and ease of operation with the optional Foot Pedal Swing Control Kit. This attachment integrates seamlessly with Caterpillar customizable joystick pattern software, enabling operators to personalize controls based on their preferences or job requirements. With the kit's two auxiliary pedals, operators can control the upper rotation of the machine using their feet, providing knuckleboom loader style of operation. The Foot Pedal Swing Control Kit is ideal for those looking to maximize control and efficiency in demanding forestry environments.

Not all features are available in all regions. Please check with your local Cat dealer for specific offering availability in your area. Build Number: 07H

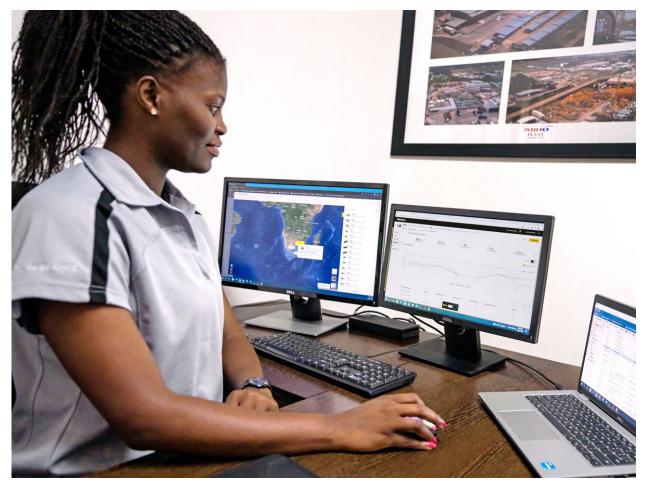


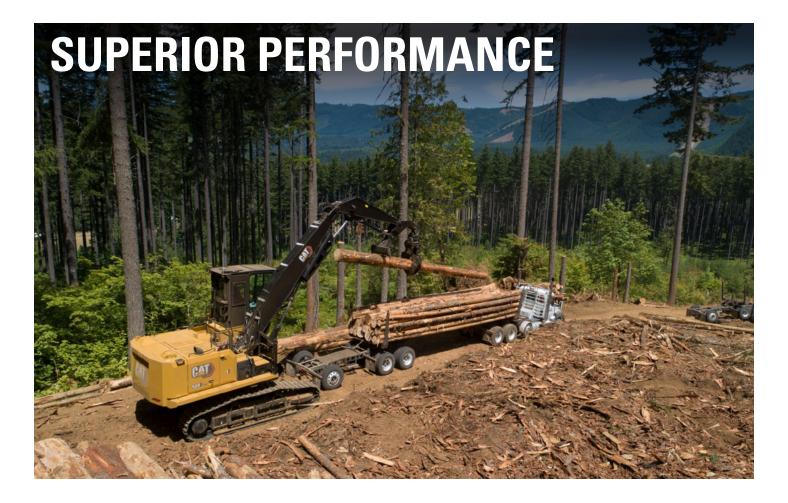
TAKE THE GUESSWORK OUT OF MANAGING YOUR EQUIPMENT

- The latest operator oriented User Interface (UI) has been designed
 to maximize uptime by allowing operators to easily reorder work
 tool lists and quickly create new work tool combinations. It also
 eliminates the need to measure up again when changing Cat®
 work tool attachments and makes it manageable for a single
 person to check and adjust for bucket wear.
- VisionLink® provides actionable data insights for all assets regardless of fleet size or equipment manufacturer.* Review equipment data from your desktop or mobile device to maximize uptime and optimize assets. Dashboards provide information such as hours, miles, location, idle time, and fuel utilization. Make informed decisions that lower costs, simplify maintenance, and improve safety and security on your jobsite.
- Cat® Inspect is a mobile application that allows you to easily perform
 digital preventative maintenance (PM) checks, inspections, and daily
 walkarounds. Inspections can easily be integrated with other Cat data
 systems like VisionLink so you can keep a close eye on your fleet.
- Remote Troubleshoot is a mobile application that allows your Cat dealer to perform diagnostic testing on your connected machine remotely to help resolve issues quickly and with less downtime.

- Remote Flash is a mobile application that allows you to update onboard software without a technician being present, allowing you to initiate software updates when convenient, increasing your overall operating efficiency.
- The Cat PL161 attachment locator allows you to track attachments across all worksites, reduce the number of lost attachments, and plan for attachment maintenance and replacement. The work tool recognition** feature automatically adjusts machine settings based on the selected tool.

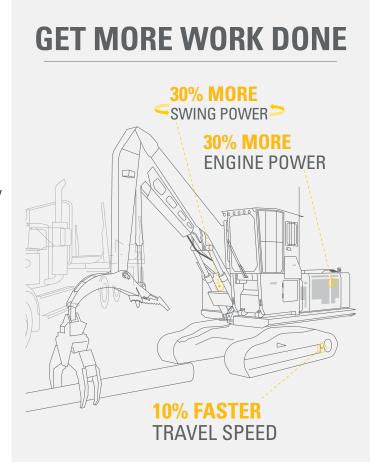
*Data field availability can vary by equipment manufacturer.
**Recognition feature available on select excavator models.
Consult your Cat dealer for details.





- The Cat C7.1 TTA engine offers up to 30% more power* and can run on biodiesel and renewable fuels.
- Smart mode helps reduce fuel consumption by automatically matching engine and hydraulic power to working conditions.
- Pick and place logs with precision and power with the electrohydraulic control system.
- Heavy lift mode with up to 30% greater swing torque* helps you confidently move big logs.
- Bigger boom cylinders boost Log Loader lift capability by up to 7%.*
- Get to work faster with an up to 10% increase in travel speed.*
- Auxiliary hydraulic options let you use Cat grapples and various other attachments.
- Work in extreme environments with standard high-ambient capability of 52° C (126° F) and cold start capability of -32° C (-25° F).

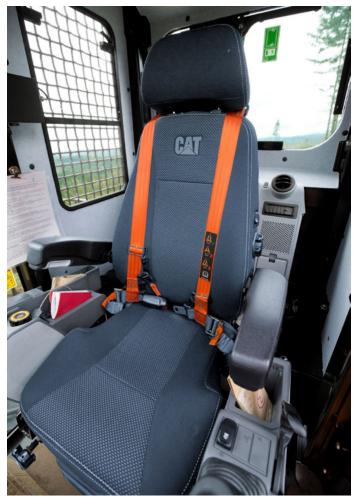
*All percentages are compared to the 2021 model year 548.



UNMATCHED OPERATOR COMFORT

- Operators can choose the rear or side cab entry with up to 25% mores space with a tilt-up console.*
- The dual HVAC system keeps operators comfortable in cold and warm weather.
- A wider heated and cooled air-suspension seat makes year-round work more pleasant.
- All controls are within easy reach to reduce twisting and turning and keep you focused on the work area.
- Cab risers 165 mm (6.5") fixed or 1219 mm (48") hydraulic tilt are available to meet your work needs.
- Special roof lining and window and door sealing reduce noise, making the interior as quiet as today's top work trucks.
- Stow your gear with in-cab storage beneath, behind the seat, and in the consoles.
- Use the standard radio's USB ports and Bluetooth® technology to connect personal devices and make hands-free calls.

*All percentages compared to 2021 model year 548.





SIMPLE OPERATION



- Cat continues to improve user interface functionality for operators
 of all skill levels. The touchscreen monitor is an easy-to-use operating
 tool that presents the jobsite dashboard with an intuitive format.
- The Cat PL161 attachment locator is a Bluetooth device designed to let users know where their attachments are across all worksites, reduce the number of lost attachments, and plan for attachment maintenance and replacement. The PL161 integrates easily into VisionLink for full fleet management of machines and attachments from one smartphone or tablet dashboard to view location and tracking details.
- The keyless push-button engine start adds security by using operator ID codes to limit and track machine access. Codes can be entered manually or via an optional Bluetooth key fob.
- Navigate quickly on the standard high-resolution 254 mm (10 in) touchscreen monitor.
- Make moving the excavator much easier with optional Cat Stick Steer. Push a button and use one hand to travel and turn instead of both hands or feet on levers or pedals.
- Not sure how a function works or how to maintain the machine?
 Always have the operator's manual at your fingertips in the touchscreen monitor.
- Optional auxiliary relay powers on and turns off CB radios and other attachments without you taking your hands off the joysticks.



General Forestry

- 1. The General Forestry model is ideal for road work, grappling, processing, and delimbing.
- With a reach boom and quick coupler, you can equip the FM548 with a processor, bucket, thumb, mulcher, and other attachments to get work done quickly and efficiently.
- 3. A frontless option allows you to customize the machine to fit your applications.

Log Loader

- 1. The log loader configuration is ideal for truck loading, Butt-n-Top loading, power clam applications and millyard work.
- An under-mounted heel cylinder provides maximum force for shovel logging with a Cat grapple. A variable displacement pump delivers high-flow rotating capability for heel and log grapples and Power Clam and Butt-n-Top grapples.
- 3. An overmounted heel cylinder provides maximum clearance to load trucks and increases lift height for millyard applications.
- Rugged, reliable, simple-to-service Cat forestry grapples range in size from 1322 mm (52") to 1524 mm (60").





EASY MAINTENANCE

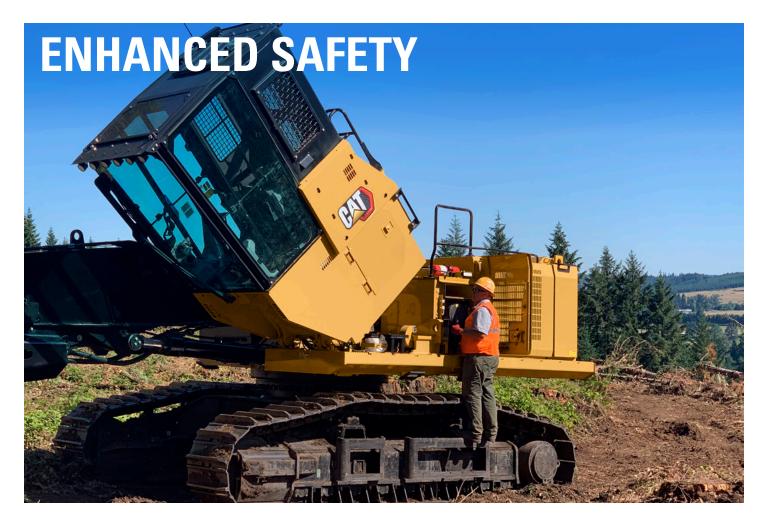
- Boost productivity with proactive service reminders. The Integrated Vehicle Health Management system alerts the operator with step-bystep service guidance and the parts needed so you don't experience unnecessary downtime.
- Expect lower maintenance cost than the previous model.
- The engine's regeneration system functions automatically with no operator input or interruption to work.
- Using Cat genuine oil and filters and doing typical Scheduled Oil Sampling (S·O·SSM) monitoring will double the current service interval to 1,000 hours, giving you greater uptime to do more work.
- S·O·S ports simplify maintenance and allow for quick, easy extraction of fluid samples for analysis.
- The diesel particulate filter requires no maintenance.
- Replace fuel filters at 1,000 hours twice the interval from the previous filters.
- The latest hydraulic oil filter provides improved filtration performance, anti-drain valves to keep oil clean when the filter is replaced, and longer life with a 3,000-hour replacement interval – 50% longer than previous filter designs.
- The high-efficiency cooling fan runs only when needed; program intervals so the fan automatically reverses to keep cores clean without interrupting your work.
- Standard Product Link[™] provides location, machine hours, fuel usage, productivity, idle time, diagnostic codes, and other machine data on demand through VisionLink online interface, helping you improve jobsite efficiency with lower operating costs.
- Remote Troubleshoot** connects you to a dealer service pro to help solve your problem and quickly get you to work.
- Remote Flash** works around your schedule to ensure your machine's software is up to date for optimal performance.

*All percentages compared to 2021 model year 548.

**Requires cell coverage.







- The cab meets applicable industry standards for Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS)/Falling Object Protective Structure (FOPS)/Operator Protective Guards (OPG) and protects the operator inside the cab.
- Access most routine maintenance points at ground level.
- The right-hand service platform design provides easy, safe, and quick access to the upper service platform; the service platform steps use an anti-skid punch plate to prevent slipping. The handrails are provided for easy access.
- Larger 32 mm (1.25") polycarbonate front window, smaller cab pillars, and a flat engine hood improve visibility by up to 50%.
- Standard rearview camera enhances jobsite visibility; right-handsideview cameras are optional.
- The monitor's slope and grade indicator tell you the machine's position to help optimize its performance.
- A signaling/warning horn and travel alarm enhance jobsite safety.
- Make service work easier and safer with optional inspection lighting.
 With the flip of a switch, lights will illuminate the engine, pump,
 battery, and radiator compartments to enhance visibility.

*CAT NEXT GENERATION 548 COMPARED TO PREVIOUS 548

SUSTAINABILITY

- The Cat® C7.1 engine meets U.S. EPA Tier 4 Final and EU Stage V emission standards.
- Cat diesel engines are required to use ULSD (ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel with 15 ppm of sulfur or less) or ULSD blended with the following lower-carbon intensity fuels** up to: 20% biodiesel FAME (fatty acid methyl ester)* or 100% renewable diesel, HVO (hydrogenated vegetable oil) and GTL (gas-to-liquid) fuels. Refer to guidelines for successful application. Please consult your Cat dealer or "Caterpillar Machine Fluids Recommendations" (SEBU6250) for details.
- Auto Engine Speed Control reduces unnecessary fuel burn and greenhouse gas emissions by allowing the engine to automatically go into idle mode when the machine is not working.
- Extended maintenance intervals reduce downtime and decrease the amount of fluid and filters that are replaced over the machine life.
- \bullet Cat VisionLink displays the CO $_2$ emissions for monitored assets, calculated by fuel type for the Runtime Fuel Burned each day in a selected date range.

- Remote Flash minimizes downtime and maintenance time while keeping your asset running at maximum efficiency. Alerts for machine updates are sent virtually from your Cat dealer, and updates can be deployed without a dealer technician needing to be onsite.
- Remote Troubleshoot decreases maintenance time and keeps your machine running with maximum efficiency by allowing your Cat dealer to virtually test the machine while working. Once a problem is identified, a technician can fix it the first time, saving time and money.
- *Engines with no aftertreatment devices can use higher blends, up to 100% biodiesel (for use of blends higher than 20% biodiesel, consult your Cat dealer).
- **Tailpipe greenhouse gas emissions from lower-carbon intensity fuels are essentially the same as traditional fuels.



INCREASE YOUR PRODUCTIVITY AND PROFIT

WITH CAT ATTACHMENTS

Easily expand the performance of your machine by utilizing any of the variety of Cat attachments. Each Cat attachment is designed to fit the weight and horsepower of the Cat machine for improved performance, safety, and stability.



GRAPPLES

Cat log loading grapples are made with high-strength steel for maximum performance. They are ideal for picking and sorting, bunching and loading, and shoveling applications. Bolt-on access panels make them easier to service.



MULCHERS

Cat forestry mulchers make land clearing fast and safe. Staggered teeth quickly turn trees into mulch; a hydraulically controlled door lets the operator direct mulch flow to enhance jobsite safety.



BUCKETS

Cat buckets move material quickly and efficiently. Their unique design enables more efficient filling and better operator control, which improves overall productivity.



COUPLERS

Cat quick couplers allow you to change between tools in minutes, making the machine capable of doing a variety of money-making tasks.



ATTACHMENT TRACKING MADE EASY

The Cat PL161 attachment locator is a Bluetooth device that makes finding grapples, buckets, and other gear quick and easy. The excavator's onboard Bluetooth reader will locate the device automatically.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Engii	ne		
Engine Model	Cat	C7.1	
Net Power – ISO 9249	202.4 kW	271 hp	
Engine Power – ISO 14396	205 kW	275 hp	
Net Power – ISO 9249 (DIN)	275 hp	(metric)	
Engine Power – ISO 14396 (DIN)	279 hp	(metric)	
Bore	105 mm	4.13 in	
Stroke	135 mm	5.31 in	
Displacement	7.1 r/min	433.3 r/min	
Biodiesel Capability	В	B20 ¹	
Emissions		Meets U.S. EPA Tier 4 Final, EU Stage V emission standards.	

Net power advertised is the power available at the flywheel when the engine is equipped with fan, air intake system, exhaust system, and alternator with engine speed at 2,200 rpm. Advertised power is tested per the specified standard in effect at time of manufacture.

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Hydraulic System			
Main System – Maximum Flow	502 L/min	132.6 gal/min	
Maximum Pressure – Equipment	35 000 kPa	5,076 psi	
Maximum Pressure – Equipment – Lift Mode	38 000 kPa	5,511 psi	
Maximum Pressure – Travel	35 000 kPa	5,076 psi	
Maximum Pressure – Swing	28 000 kPa	4,061 psi	
Drive			
Maximum Travel Speed	4.8 km/h	3 mile/h	
Maximum Drawbar Pull	295 kN	66,319 lbf	
Swing Mechanism			
Swing Speed	8.1 r/min		
Maximum Swing Torque	136 kN⋅m	100,308 lbf·ft	
Weights			
Operating Weight – General Forestry	37 800 kg	83,300 lb	
• High Wide undercarriage, Reach boom, R2.95 m (9'8") Reach stick, 700 mm (28") double grouser shoes, no bucket.			
Operating Weight – Log Loader, Under/Under	40 500 kg	89,290 lb	
• High Wide undercarriage, Log Loader boom, 3.76 m (12'4") Under/Under			

stick with live heel, 700 mm (28") double grouser shoes, no grapple.

Air Conditioning System

The air conditioning system on this machine contains the fluorinated greenhouse gas refrigerant R134a (Global Warming Potential = 1430). The system contains 2.1 (22" Riser CAB)/2.2 (48"/72" Riser CAB) kg of refrigerant, which has a CO_2 equivalent of 3.003/3.146 metric tonnes.

Service Refill Capacities			
Fuel Tank	990 L	262 gal	
Cooling System	38 L	10 gal	
Engine Oil	25 L	7 gal	
Swing Drive	13.5 L	4 gal	
Final Drive – Each	9.5 L	3 gal	
Hydraulic System – Including Tank	348 L	92 gal	
Hydraulic Tank	185 L	49 gal	
Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) Tank	41 L	11 gal	
Dimensions			

	General Forestry	
Shipping Height – Tilted Cab	3500 mm	11.5 ft
Handrail Height	3500 mm	11.5 ft
Length: General Forestry – Boom Stretched Out	12 570 mm	41.3 ft
Length: Log Loader – Boom Stretched Out	15 110 mm	49.6 ft
Tail Swing Radius	3530 mm	11.6 ft
Counterweight Clearance	1510 mm	4.9 ft
Ground Clearance	770 mm	2.5 ft
Track Length	5050 mm	16.6 ft
Track Length to Center of Rollers	4020 mm	13.2 ft
Track Gauge	2790 mm	9.2 ft
Transport Width	3530 mm	11.6 ft
Working Ranges		

	General Forestry	
Max Reach at Stick Nose at Ground Level – General Forestry Road Builder	8980 mm	29.5 ft
Max Reach at Grapple Mount on Heel at Ground Level – Log Loader Under/Under	10 490 mm	34.4 ft

STANDARD & OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

Standard and optional equipment may vary. Consult your Cat dealer for details.

	Standard	Optional
UNDERCARRIAGE AND STRUCTURES		
High Wide undercarriage	✓	
216 mm (8.5") pitch Cat grease lubricated track chain with pressed fit pin	✓	
Catwalks	✓	
Tie down points	✓	
Counterweight fuel tank	✓	
Heavy-duty track rollers and frames	✓	
Heavy-duty travel motor guards	✓	
Heavy-duty bottom guards	✓	
Track guiding guards	✓	
High drawbar final drives	✓	
Heavy-duty recoil springs	✓	
Heavy-duty hydraulic swivel	✓	
Heavy-duty hydraulic swivel guard	✓	
900 mm (36") triple grouser Tri Link shoes		✓
850 mm (33") triple grouser shoes		✓
700 mm (28") double or single grouser shoes		✓
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM		
Maintenance-free 1000 CCA batteries (×4)	✓	
Centralized electrical disconnect switch	✓	
LED chassis, boom (GF), stick (LL) and cab lights	✓	
115-amp alternator	✓	
24-volt electric starting	✓	
Horn and travel alarm	✓	
Pre-start monitoring system	✓	
Tool control software	✓	
Secondary engine shutoff switch	✓	
Cold start package with block heaters	✓	
Premium General Forestry lighting package		✓
Premium Log Loader lighting package		✓
BOOM AND STICKS		
5.9 m (19'6") Reach boom – General Forestry		✓
6.55 m (21'6") boom – Log Loader		✓
2.95 m (9'8") Reach stick		✓
3.71 m (12'2") goose neck stick		✓
3.76 m (12'4") under/under stick		√
4.05 m (13'3") over/under stick		✓
4.05 m (13'3") power clam		✓
CB2 family bucket linkage		✓

	Standard	Optional
CAB		
ROPS Forestry cab with polycarbonate windows	✓	
4-point harness seat belt	✓	
Heated and cooled seat with air-adjustable suspension	✓	
Integrated joysticks	✓	
Tilt-up left-side console (side-entry cab only)	✓	
High-resolution touchscreen monitor	✓	
Bluetooth integrated radio (including USB, auxiliary port and microphone)	✓	
12V DC outlets	✓	
Keyless push-to-start engine control	✓	
Automatic bi-level air conditioner	✓	
LED dome and floor lights	✓	
Windshield wiper and washer	✓	
Behind seat storage	✓	
Retractable sunshade	✓	
Side entry with 559 mm (22") tilting riser		✓
Rear entry with 1219 mm (48") tilting riser		✓
Rear entry with 1829 mm (72") tilting riser		✓
CAT TECHNOLOGIES		
VisionLink	✓	
Remote Services Capability	✓	

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STANDARD & OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT (continued)

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	Standard	Optional
ENGINE		
Electric fuel priming pump	✓	
Three selectable modes: Power, Smart, Eco	✓	
Automatic engine speed control	✓	
Automatic engine idle shutdown	✓	
Up to 4600 m (15,092 ft) altitude capability	✓	
52° C (126° F) high-ambient cooling capacity	✓	
-32° C (-25° F) cold start capability	✓	
Hydraulic reverse fan	✓	
Two-stage fuel filter system	✓	
Double element air filter with integrated pre-cleaner	✓	
Cold start package with block heaters and ether assist		✓
SAFETY AND SECURITY		
Caterpillar One Key security system	✓	
Lockable service doors	✓	
Lockable external tool/storage box	✓	
Lockable disconnect switch	✓	
Lockable fuel cap and hydraulic tank	✓	
Service platforms with anti-skid plate and countersunk bolts	✓	
Right-hand rail and hand hold	✓	
Signaling/warning horn	✓	
Ground-level secondary engine shutoff switch	✓	
Rearview camera	✓	
Travel alarm	✓	
Right-hand-sideview cameras		✓
Inspection lighting		✓

	Standard	Optional
HYDRAULIC SYSTEM		
Boom and stick regeneration circuits	✓	
Boom and stick drift reduction valve	✓	
Electronic main control valve	✓	
Automatic hydraulic oil warmup	✓	
Automatic swing parking brake	✓	
High performance hydraulic return filter	✓	
Automatic two speed travel	✓	
Bio hydraulic oil capability	✓	
High torque swing drive	✓	
Swing cushion valve	✓	
Tool control software	✓	
Medium pressure circuit		✓
SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE		
Side-entry to service platforms	✓	
Grouped location for engine oil and fuel filters	✓	
S·O·S ports	✓	
Integrated vehicle health management system	✓	

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