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**New Sunflower Fertilizer/Grain Drill  
Offers Greater Capacity and Expanded Versatility**

**DULUTH, GA – October 2007** — Big in capacity and bold in versatility, the new Sunflower model 9530 Fertilizer/Grain Drill from AGCO Corporation is built to match the needs of the toughest field and the tightest schedule. Equipped with proven, staggered grain box design and Heads Up Opener Assembly, the 9530 delivers exact placement of seed and fertilizer in any field conditions, no-till to conventional. Left and right wings pivot forward and up, reducing transit width to 14 ft. However, the new large seed boxes and dry fertilizer option take the Sunflower 9530 to a new level in capabilities.

"Our customers told us they need unmatched versatility, both in seed delivery and in capability and that's what they get with our 9530 drills," says Tom Draper, product marketing manager, Sunflower. "Our proven Heads Up Opener Assembly gives them optimum seed placement, no matter what level of tillage they choose for a particular field. Now they have the option of placing fertilizer with their seed or going full bore with seed only and boosting seed capacity by more than 50% at the same time."

The secret to this versatility is the movable divider that separates seed from fertilizer in the dual placement mode. The divided hopper is designed for a 60% seed, 40% fertilizer ratio or 2.4 bu. and 120 lbs. of fertilizer per linear foot. With the divided hoppers, the 30-ft., 9530 can hold 72 bushels of seed and 3,600 lbs. of fertilizer. The divided hopper, 40-ft. Model 9530 has capacity for 96 bushels of seed and 4,800 lbs. of fertilizer. Moving the divider converts the hopper to single chamber seed only mode with a 3.75 bu. per linear foot capacity. In seed only mode, the 30-ft. 9530 holds 112.5 bu. of seed and the 40-ft. model holds 150 bu.

Large capacity requires carrying strength especially in no-till situations. The 9530 is built to handle the load with 3/8-in. thick, 8-in. x 12-in. steel tubing for the main frame and the

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tongue. The two-point hitch pivots vertically and horizontally for more flexibility on rough terrain and more carrying capacity.

Wing frames are even more impressive with their frame within a frame design to handle the extra weight and the rotational forces created by no-till applications. A 1/2-in. thick, 6-in. x 6-in. square tube rides inside the 3/8-in. thick, 7-in. x 7-in. main tube. Even the 3-in. diameter steel pin on which the wings pivot are 50% larger than other models. The compound angled hinges fold the wings up as they rotate forward for more clearance in transit position.

Safety and ease of operation are part of the 9530 design. The walk board is deeper than found on previous models and features an automatic lock that engages in the raised position. Ladder fold has been simplified, and drive shielding flips up for easy fertilizer rate adjustments.

"The 9530 drills are designed to match the needs of the field and the operator with simplicity, flexibility and durability engineered into every component," says Draper. "They also offer unmatched productivity. A 40-ft. 9530 with 7 1/2-in. spacing will seed 80 acres or more per fill. Best of all, with Sunflower's proven seed delivery system, seeding is done not only fast, but it's also done right."

For more information on Sunflower, visit <http://www.sunflowermfg.com/>.

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**ENCLOSED PHOTO:** Sunflower 9530 Fertilizer/Drill

**PHOTO CAPTION:** The Sunflower Model 9530 has the capacity, the strength and the precision seed and fertilizer metering and placement needed in the most challenging no-till situation, yet adapts quickly and easily to even conventional tillage. Available in 30 and 40-ft. configurations with either 7.5 or 10-in.

spacings, the versatile fertilizer/seed drill converts to seed only to cover 55% more acres with a single fill.

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