

Caterpillar Inc. Files Form 8-K

PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 18, 2013 -- Caterpillar Inc. (NYSE: CAT / NYSE Euronext: CATR / LSE: CTA) informs its stockholders that today a Form 8-K has been filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") with respect to a material impairment. A related press release was furnished as an exhibit to the Form 8-K.

On January 16, 2013, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Caterpillar Inc. ("Caterpillar") met and the Company concluded that goodwill recorded in connection with the acquisition of ERA Mining Machinery Limited, including its wholly-owned subsidiary Zhengzhou Siwei Mechanical & Electrical Manufacturing Co., Ltd., commonly known as "Siwei", was impaired. As a result, Caterpillar will record a noncash goodwill impairment charge of approximately \$580 million (\$0.87 per share) in the quarter ending December 31, 2012. No portion of the impairment charge relates to future cash expenditures.

This impairment charge arises from a determination by Caterpillar that Siwei senior managers engaged in accounting misconduct for several years prior to Caterpillar's acquisition of Siwei in mid-2012 and the impact of such misconduct. Caterpillar's investigation of this matter is ongoing.

Caterpillar files electronically with the SEC required reports on Form 8-K, Form 10-Q, Form 10-K and Form 11-K; proxy materials; ownership reports for insiders as required by Section 16(a) of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and registration statements on Forms S-3 and S-8, as necessary; and other forms or reports, as required. All of the forms and reports filed electronically with the SEC are available on the SEC Internet site (www.sec.gov).

Caterpillar also maintains an Internet site (www.Caterpillar.com) and copies of its annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to these reports filed or furnished with the SEC are available free of charge through Caterpillar's Internet site (www.Caterpillar.com/secfilings) as soon as reasonably practicable after the relevant document has been filed with the SEC.

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