

Press Release

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TANKER® XP 200 GAS SPRING ADDS FEATURES AND FLEXIBILITY

Brecksville, OH—Hyson Products announces new features on the Tanker® XP 200 high performance gas spring with dynamic lubrication. Hyson Products is a division of Associated Spring, a business unit of Barnes Group Inc. (NYSE:B)

The TNK 200 now includes a side port and plug that improve reliability and allow the gas springs to be hosed together with the Micro EZ™ Hose and fittings. The TNK 200, with its 25 mm/1 inch diameter, is ideal for long life in long stroke service applications. As with all gas springs in the Tanker XP and Super Tanker® Series, the TNK 200 features a bore seal design for superior contamination resistance, fully adjustable charge pressure, dynamic lubrication that circulates oil onto seal surfaces with every stroke, and a variety of mounting options.

Hyson Products designs and manufactures Super Tanker® and Tanker® XP high performance gas springs, and T2 and T3 standard gas springs;

Nitro-Dyne® XP manifold systems and accessories; the Dyne-A-Cam® Series of cams, and the DRAC® Series of delayed return manifolds in an ISO 9001-2000 certified facility.

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