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St. Joseph, Michigan. – The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) has named Flory Industries as a winner of a 2004 AE50 award.

AE50 awards honor the year's most innovative designs in engineering products or systems for the food and agriculture industries. The Flory WS900 Pow'r Trak shredder will be featured in the June/July 2004 special issue of ASABE's magazine *Resource: Engineering & Technology for a Sustainable World*. For more details visit www.asabe.org/AE50

Companies from around the world submit entries to the annual AE50 competition and up to 50 of the best products are chosen by a panel of international engineering experts. The judges select innovative products that will best advance engineering for the food and agriculture industries.

The AE50 awards program emphasizes the role of new products and systems in bringing advanced technology to the marketplace. These engineering developments help farmers, food processors and equipment manufacturers increase efficiency, enhance quality, improve safety, and increase profits.

Resource, a magazine geared to agricultural, biological and food system engineers worldwide, is produced by ASABE. The magazine is read by thousands involved in the agricultural, food and biological industries. Read more at www.asabe.org/Resource.

ASABE is an international scientific and educational organization dedicated to the advancement of engineering applicable to agricultural, food, and biological systems. Further information on the Society can be obtained by visiting www.asabe.org.



The Flory Model WS900 Pow'r Trak shredder is a self-propelled, rubber-tracked hammer mill developed to effectively shred orchard prunings as large as 100 millimeters (4 inches) in diameter. Friendly to the environment and the grower, this machine eliminates the necessity of burning prunings and monitoring agricultural burn days, thereby contributing to cleaner air. The resulting finely shredded material remains on the orchard floor where it decomposes, promoting healthier soil. The front-feed design eliminates driving over prunings, and the rubber-track drive allows continuous operation in all weather conditions. Features include a fuel-efficient 425-horsepower Caterpillar engine, automatic reversing engine fan to keep radiator clean, and low ground compaction. Other user conveniences include the "Comfort Cab," which is both heated and cooled for the comfort of the operator; hydrostatic drive for smooth variable speed control; and easily replaceable shredding hammers and cutting inserts.

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