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Relative to Industry Results or Levels, Compared with Prior Year Periods

The following table summarizes selected agricultural and construction equipment industry retail unit sales results in North America as compared with prior year periods. Industry results for the current periods are expressed as a percentage change from the prior year periods, by major product category. The percentage change reflects only industry retail unit sales results and is derived from flash, or preliminary actual, data of the U.S. Association of Equipment Manufacturers (AEM) and of the Canadian Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute (CFIEI). These industry data are based on unit sales as preliminarily reported by AEM and CFIEI member companies and include most, but not all, of the equipment sold in each of the categories. The data are subject to revision from time to time and caution should be maintained when using the data for any purpose. Actual results will vary and may not be known for some time. Over time, industry results will be adjusted to reflect actual sales differences, reclassifications, or other factors. Retail unit sales will fluctuate from month to month due to several factors, including timing of new products and new product introductions, product availability, and sales programs. CNH Global N.V. s performance for the same periods is described relative to the change in industry results.

Also included in the table are indicators of North American dealer inventory levels. Industry data are derived from the flash, or preliminary actual, data of the AEM and CFIEI and expressed as the number of months of inventory on hand, based on the simple average of the previous 12 months retail unit sales results. CNH Global N.V. s dealer s inventory levels for the same periods are described relative to the industry levels.

This information reflects point-in-time data that is not necessarily representative of either the market or of CNH Global N.V. s relative performance going forward, nor does it reflect or imply any forward-looking information regarding the market or CNH Global N.V. s relative performance in that market.

Copies of the relevant monthly Agricultural Flash reports from AEM and CFIEI follow the table.

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SUMMARY OF NORTH AMERICAN RETAIL ACTIVITY

CATEGORY RETAIL UNIT SALES: MONTH of MARCH 2006	Total North American INDUSTRY	CNH RELATIVE PERFORMANCE (All Brands)				
Agricultural Tractors: under 40 horsepower (2WD)	+2.3%	up low double digits, significantly better than the industry				
40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	+6.9%	up moderate double digits, significantly better than the industry				
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	+13.3%	up high double digits, significantly better than the industry				
4 wheel drive tractors	+18.1%	up low double digits, in line with the industry				
Sub total tractors over 40 hp	+8.9%	up high double digits, significantly better than the industry				
Total Ag tractors	+5.3%	up moderate double digits, significantly better than the industry				
Combines	+34.6%	up triple digits, significantly better than the industry				
Loader/backhoes	down low double digits	up low double digits				
Skid Steer Loaders	up mid single digits	up high double digits, significantly better than the industry				
Total Heavy Construction Equipment	up moderate double digits	up mid single digits				
RETAIL UNIT SALES: 3 MONTHS, 2006						
Agricultural Tractors: under 40 horsepower (2WD)	+3.5%	up low double digits, significantly more than the industry				

40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	+6.2%	up moderate double digits, significantly more than the industry				
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	(5.2)%	up moderate double digits, significantly more than the industry				
4 wheel drive tractors	+14.6%	up high single digits				
Sub total tractors over 40 hp	+3.5%	up moderate double digits, significantly more than the industry				
Total Ag tractors	+3.5%	up moderate double digits, significantly more than the industry				
Combines	+8.8%	up high double digits, significantly more than the industry				
Loader/backhoes	down low single digits	up low double digits, significantly more than the industry				
Skid Steer Loaders	up low single digits	up moderate double digits, significantly more than the industry				
Total Heavy Construction Equipment	up moderate double digits	up low double digits				
DEALER INVENTORIES: END OF FEBRUARY 2006						
Agricultural Tractors: under 40 horsepower (2WD)	6.3 months supply	1 month more than the industry				
40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	5.1 months supply	¹ /2 month more than the industry				
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	4.0 months supply	in line with the industry				
4 wheel drive tractors	2.8 months supply	1 month less than the industry				
Total tractors	5.6 months supply	in line with the industry				
Combines	2.7 months supply	> 1 month more than the industry				
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U.S. Ag Flash Reports

March 2006 Flash Report U.S. Unit Retail Sales

(Report released 4/12/2006)

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	March	March	%	Y-T-D	Y-T-D	%	February 2006 U.S. Field
Equipment	2006	2005	Chg.	2006	2005	Chg.	Inventory
Farm Wheel Tractors - 2 Wheel							
Drive							
Under 40 HP	10,575	10,386	1.8	22,106	21,477	2.9	66,538
40 & Under 100 HP	6,338	6,063	4.5	14,995	14,358	4.4	32,324
100 HP & Over	2,021	1,873	7.9	4,750	5,183	-8.4	6,246
Total - 2 Wheel Drive	18,934	18,322	3.3	41,851	41,018	2.0	105,108
Total - 4 Wheel Drive	374	331	13.0	834	756	10.3	804
Total Farm Wheel Tractors	19,308	18,653	3.5	42,685	41,774	2.2	105,912
Combines (Self-Propelled)	416	313	32.9	1,006	917	9.7	1,360

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Canadian Ag Flash Reports

March 2006 Flash Report Canada Unit Retail Sales

(Report released 4/12/2006)

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	March			March YTD			February 2006 2005 Canadian Canadian (Field) (Field)	
			%			%		
Equipment	2006	2005	Chg.	2006	2005	Chg.	Inventory	Inventory
Farm Wheel Tractors - 2 Wheel								
Drive								
Under 40 HP	458	404	13.4	998	850	17.4	4,542	3,786
40 & Under 100 HP	528	358	47.5	1,268	954	32.9	2,756	2,363
100 HP & Over	380	246	54.5	709	575	23.3	1,530	1,433
Total - 2 Wheel Drive	1,366	1,008	35.5	2,975	2,379	25.1	8,828	7,582
Total - 4 Wheel Drive	76	50	52.0	133	88	51.1	200	199
Total Farm Wheel Tractors	1,442	1,058	36.3	3,108	2,467	26.0	9,028	7,781
Combines (Self-Propelled)	86	60	43.3	170	164	3.7	513	415

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CNH Global N.V.

By: /s/ Camillo Rossotto Camillo Rossotto Treasurer

April 13, 2006