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## Fourth generation All-Wheel Drive system from Haldex featured in the new SAAB 9-3 XWD

Stockholm, Sweden, June 12, 2007 – Haldex systems featured on the new SAAB 9-3 vehicle line with All-Wheel Drive (AWD), introduced as Cross Wheel Drive (XWD) and launched to mark the automaker's  $60^{\rm th}$  anniversary

Haldex will supply SAAB Automobile with an electronic AWD-system, based on the fourth generation of its established Haldex Limited Slip Coupling and the all new, evolutionary Haldex electronic Limited Slip Differential (Haldex XWD) developed from the Haldex product platform of limited slip differentials.

Employed in conjunction with the Haldex coupling, the electronically controlled add-on module integrates in the power and control systems of the longitudinal device thus offering a flexible and cost effective solution for further enhanced vehicle dynamics. It can be optionally used in the vehicle product lines to control the side-to-side torque distribution and constitutes an efficient alternative relative brake based systems which dissipate power for control. The limited weight and size maximizes performance with minimal impact on fuel economy. For more detailed information regarding Haldex XWD, <a href="https://www.haldex-traction.com/xwd">www.haldex-traction.com/xwd</a>

The Haldex coupling and Haldex XWD will be manufactured and supplied from a new Haldex production facility in Guanajuato, Mexico.

"The cooperation with SAAB Automobile showcases our consistent and continued commitment to meet the needs of OEM customers through innovation. The Haldex XWD equips the driver with improved dynamic safety, broadens the performance scope of the vehicle and generates superior traction. The new business consolidates our leading position with European car manufacturers in the area of controllable and intelligent systems for All-Wheel Drive" says CEO and President of the Haldex Group, Joakim Olsson.

Haldex currently supply three of the major OEM groups, VW AG, Ford Motor Company and General Motors with proprietary and advanced systems and solutions for AWD.

Haldex (<u>www.haldex.com</u>), headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden, is a provider of proprietary and innovative solutions to the global vehicle industry, with focus on products in vehicles that enhance safety, environment and vehicle dynamics. Haldex is listed on the Stockholm Stock Exchange and has annual sales of nearly 8 billion SEK with 4,600 employees

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