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**Bergeron Land Development Was Third Largest Purchaser
of CAT Equipment in Atlantic Region in 2016**

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. – Caterpillar Financial Services has announced that in 2016, Bergeron Land Development was the third largest purchaser of CAT machines in dollars spent for the Atlanta District of Caterpillar, which includes the states of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina and parts of North Carolina.

In response to the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) awarding Bergeron Land Development the Stormwater Treatment Area expansion project, Bergeron reached out to Kelly Tractor to purchase 31 new Caterpillar earthmoving machines. The high profile project will require 3.2 million cubic yards of excavation and embankment to create the canals and levees as part of the ongoing Everglades restoration.

“Our relationship with Bergeron Land Development spans four decades,” said Pat Kelly, President of Kelly Tractor in Miami. “We’re honored that they turned to us to support their efforts by delivering a multi-million dollar fleet of equipment. We look forward to many more years of mutual success.”

“Over the past 10 years, Caterpillar Financial has provided the financing and leasing of 58 CAT machines for Bergeron Land Development,” said Tom Austin, Senior Territory Manager for Caterpillar Financial Services. “We appreciate them allowing us to play a role in their growth and success.”

About Caterpillar

For more than 90 years, Caterpillar Inc. has been making sustainable progress possible and driving positive change on every continent. Customers turn to Caterpillar to help them develop infrastructure, energy and natural resource assets. With 2016 sales and revenues of \$38.5 billion, Caterpillar is the world’s leading manufacturer of construction and mining equipment, diesel and natural gas engines, industrial gas turbines and diesel-electric locomotives. The company principally operates through its three product segments - Construction Industries, Resource Industries and Energy & Transportation - and also provides financing and related services through its Financial Products segment.

About Kelly Tractor

Kelly Tractor serves its customers with a wide variety of machines from some of the world's foremost manufacturers. Since 1933, Kelly Tractor has provided rentals, leasing, sales and servicing of all types of construction and industrial equipment. Kelly Tractor Co. and its affiliates employ more than 500 people in South Florida and more than 150 of them provide parts and service support.

About Bergeron Land Development:

Few companies or individuals have influenced the landscape of Florida more than Bergeron Land Development and its founder, "Alligator" Ron Bergeron and his eldest son J.R. Bergeron who is president of the company. Since 1965, Bergeron Land Development has expanded communities, increased commerce and made commutes a lot more convenient. In 2016, Bergeron Land Development was named a "Best of the United States" honoree by *US Builders Review* for its commitment to success, employee satisfaction and superior products and services. Regardless of the project, Bergeron Land Development measures its success, not only by its profits, but by its commitment to the Florida community and its sensitive ecosystem as well. Also in 2016, Bergeron was named one of Top 100 Contractors in the Southeast by ENR Magazine. For more information, please visit www.BergeronLandDev.com.

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