THE CUSTOMER WANTED A PARTNER WHO COULD HELP THEM CREATE A NEW CONCEPT FOR HYDROMECHANICAL TRANSMISSIONS TO BE USED IN REFUSE TRUCKS, DELIVERY VEHICLES AND PUBLIC BUSES.

THE CHALLENGE

- Recovering brake energy while decoupling and storing it to be used later.
- Improving vehicle efficiency.
- Reducing fuel consumption.
- Increasing vehicle uptime.

THE COMPANY

A leading manufacturer of motion and control technologies and systems. Headquartered in the United States, they employ more than 50,000 people across 50 countries around the world.
THE SOLUTION

Phase 1 – Quick Start
- Performed in-depth studies and designed new three-speed gearbox. The first two gears are hydrostatic and the third gear is mechanical. The recovery of brake energy is achieved in all three speeds and the gearbox has three power take-offs (PTOs).

Phase 2 – Design
- Designed hydraulic installation to store brake energy.
- Created a new design for the hydraulic installation cooling system.

Phase 3 – Advanced
- Collaborated with the client, creating several design concepts, for the integration of the hydrostatic transmission into a preproduction refuse truck. This involved several design changes to the truck’s original ground clearance, gearbox position, hydraulic fluid tank and oil tank. The gearbox was rotated by 180 degrees in the final production model to ensure better serviceability.

THE RESULT

50%
Approximated fuel savings reported

Decreased vehicle noise and increased dependability

Significantly reduced the wear on truck brakes

Our innovative gearbox was patented

ABOUT US

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