NEWS RELEASE

Terex Corporation Completes Offering of 5.0 Million Shares of Common Stock

12/5/2001

WESTPORT, Conn., Dec 5, 2001 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Terex Corporation (NYSE: TEX) today announced that it has completed the sale of 5 million shares of common stock at a price to the public of $17.50 with net proceeds to the Company of $83.75 million.

The Company has granted the underwriter an option to purchase up to an additional 750,000 shares to cover over allotments. Terex expects the issuance and delivery of the shares to occur on December 10, 2001.

"We remain committed to our objective to continue to improve Terex's capital structure," commented Ronald M. DeFeo, Terex Corporation's Chairman and CEO. "This equity offering, the proceeds of which will be used primarily to repay debt, will strengthen our balance sheet and improve leverage ratios. We were particularly encouraged with the demand and execution of the offering during such uncertain times."

Salomon Smith Barney was the sole underwriter for the offering. When available, copies of the prospectus supplement and prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained from Salomon Smith Barney, Brooklyn Army Terminal, 140 58th Street, 8th Floor, Brooklyn, New York, 11220. These documents will also be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and will be available at the SEC's Website at http: www.sec.gov.

The shares will be issued pursuant to a shelf registration statement that was previously filed. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy shares of Terex common stock. An offering of Terex common stock will be made only by means of prospectus. The prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities, in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such

state.

Terex Corporation is a diversified global manufacturer based in Westport, Connecticut, with 2000 revenues in excess of $2 billion. Terex is involved in a broad range of construction, infrastructure, recycling and mining-related capital equipment under the brand names of Terex, Unit Rig, Payhauler, O&K, Fermec, Benford, Powerscreen, Finlay, B.L. Pegson, Simplicity, Cedarapids, Grayhound, CMI, Bid-Well, Load King, Cifali, Jaques, Canica-Jaques, Lorain, PPM, P&H, Franna, Marklift, Koehring, Bendini, RO, Telelect, Square Shooter, American, Italmacchine, Peiner, Comedil, Matbro, Amida, Bartell, Coleman, Muller and Morrison. More information on Terex can be found at www.terex.com.

CONTACT: Terex Corporation, Westport
Kevin O'Reilly, Vice President, Investor Relations
203/222-5943
www.terex.com