



Four Tracks Haul Over 2 Tons

A plucky little hauler can carry 2½ tons over any type of terrain and up 90% grades at 25 mph, says the manufacturer. The articulated Katrak K-60 was tested on Mt. Hood's rock and glaciers, and in shifting sand dunes.

All four of the vehicle's tracks are powered, so it will not dig down at the rear, according to the maker. A walking-beam suspension keeps the tracks level and allows them to pull evenly under all conditions. The tracks are made of heavy industrial belting, with triangular metal grousers that compress the surface and increase tension.

The 200-hp Katrak carries slightly more than its weight—4,900 lb. It has eight speeds forward and two reverse; a full reversing unit is optional. Its hydraulic braking system acts on both drive lines. And it turns safely, even on a hill, in a radius of 11 ft, says the manufacturer.

The maker also claims maintenance is simplified because the drive systems are completely independent of axles. Also, one man can change the tracks quickly or retension them under full load. KATRAK VEHICLE CO., CANBY, ORE.