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First Jekko JF990 for Empire

US sales and rental company Empire Crane has taken delivery of the first Jekko JF990 articulating spider crane to arrive in the USA.

The 21.5 tonne JF990 combines a large articulated Fassi loader crane with Jekko's tracked chassis. It features a nine section main boom plus a nine section articulating jib to offer a maximum lift height of 41 metres and a maximum radius of 37.25 metres, with a capacity of 265kg. It can also take its maximum capacity to 3.5 metres. The company ordered it with the optional aerial work platform which features a maximum working height of 38 metres and an outreach of 34 metres.



The two cranes arrive

The latest delivery also includes a 15.5 tonne Jekko JF545, which has a maximum tip height of over 30 metres and can handle 2.5 tonne at 16 metres and 600kg at its maximum radius of 28 metres. The unit is equipped with a GMT grapple saw. The

units were delivered to Empire's base in Hanson, Massachusetts, south of Boston.

President and co-owner Paul Lonergan said: "The Jekko brand is a new and burgeoning offering for our company and is one that we're very excited to see where it leads. We are thrilled to be the first in the country to offer as versatile a machine as the JF990. Even though it's the largest crane in Jekko's range, its size is still manageable in tight spaces while being able to take on some serious tonnage."



The new JF990

Established in 2002 by brothers Paul and Luke Lonergan, Empire Crane is now linked to **Bigge Crane and Rigging, which acquired a majority stake** in the company last March. It has been a Jekko dealer since December 2022. Empire is also an authorised dealer for Demag Tadano, Kobelco, Tadano Mantis, Manitex, Broderson, Magni and Wolffkran. It offers sales, parts, service and rentals from its headquarters in Syracuse, New York, with branches in Bridgewater, New Jersey, and Hanson/Boston, Massachusetts .

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