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FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of January 2010

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CNH GLOBAL N.V.

(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

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Form 6-K for the month of January 2010

List of Exhibits:

1. Registrant's Summary North American Retail Unit Sales Activity For Selected Agricultural Equipment During the Month of December and Cumulative for 12 Months of 2009, Compared with Prior Year Periods, and Indicators of North American Dealer Inventory Levels for Selected Agricultural Equipment at the End of November 2009 Relative to Industry Results or Levels.
2. Registrant's Estimated North American Retail Unit Sales Activity For Selected Construction Equipment During the Month of December and Cumulative for 12 Months of 2009, Relative to Industry Results or Levels, Compared with Prior Year Periods.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CNH Global N.V.

By: /s/ Steven C. Bierman
Steven C. Bierman
Chief Financial Officer

January 15, 2010

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Summary North American Retail Unit Sales Activity

For Selected Agricultural Equipment

During the Month of December and Cumulative for 12 Months 2009, Compared with Prior Year

Periods, and Indicators of North American Dealer Inventory Levels for Selected Agricultural

Equipment at the End of November 2009

Relative to Industry Results or Levels

The following table summarizes selected agricultural equipment industry retail unit sales results in North America as compared with prior year periods. Industry results for the current periods are expressed as a percentage change from the prior year periods, by major product category. The percentage change reflects only industry retail unit sales results and is derived from flash, or preliminary actual, data of the U.S. Association of Equipment Manufacturers (AEM) and of the Canadian Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute (CFIEI).

These industry data are based on unit sales as preliminarily reported by AEM and CFIEI member companies and include most, but not all, of the equipment sold in each of the categories. The data are subject to revision from time to time and caution should be maintained when using the data for any purpose. Actual results will vary and may not be known for some time. Over time, industry results will be adjusted to reflect actual sales differences, reclassifications, or other factors. Retail unit sales will fluctuate from month to month due to several factors, including timing of new products and new product introductions, product availability, and sales programs. CNH Global N.V.'s performance for the same periods is described relative to the change in industry results.

Also included in the table are indicators of North American dealer inventory levels. Industry data are derived from the flash, or preliminary actual, data of the AEM and CFIEI and expressed as the number of months of inventory on hand, based on the simple average of the previous 12 months retail unit sales results. CNH Global N.V.'s dealer's inventory levels for the same periods are described relative to the industry levels.

This information reflects point-in-time data that is not necessarily representative of either the market or of CNH Global N.V.'s relative performance going forward, nor does it reflect or imply any forward-looking information regarding the market or CNH Global N.V.'s relative performance in that market.

Copies of the relevant monthly Agricultural Flash reports from AEM and CFIEI follow the table.

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December N.A. Activity

SUMMARY OF NORTH AMERICAN RETAIL ACTIVITY

CATEGORY	Total North	CNH RELATIVE PERFORMANCE
	American	
INDUSTRY		(All Brands)
RETAIL UNIT SALES:		
MONTH of December 2009		
Agricultural Tractors:		
under 40 horsepower (2WD)	(6.3)%	Down low double digits, slightly more than the industry
40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	(16.5)%	Down low double digits, slightly less than the industry
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	0.0%	Up low single digits, in line with the industry
4 wheel drive tractors	(2.9)%	Down low double digits, moderately more than the industry
Sub total tractors over 40 hp	(10.3)%	Down mid single digits, slightly less than the industry
Total Ag tractors	(8.7)%	Down mid single digits, in line with the industry
Combines	5.8%	Up low double digits, slightly better than the industry

RETAIL UNIT SALES:**12 MONTHS 2009**

Agricultural Tractors:

under 40 horsepower (2WD)	(20.3)%	Down moderate double digits, moderately more than the industry
40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	(27.2)%	Down low double digits, moderately less than the industry
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	(12.8)%	Down low double digits, slightly less than the industry
4 wheel drive tractors	1.2%	Down mid single digits, moderately worse than the industry
Sub total tractors over 40 hp	(21.9)%	Down low double digits, moderately less than the industry
Total Ag tractors	(21.1)%	Down low double digits, slightly less than the industry
Combines	15.3%	Up mid single digits, moderately less than the industry

AG DEALER INVENTORIES:**END OF November 2009**

Agricultural Tractors:

under 40 horsepower (2WD)	6.4 months supply	> 1 month less than the industry
40 to 100 horsepower (2WD)	6.0 months supply	> 1 month less than the industry
over 100 horsepower (2WD)	4.7 months supply	1/2 month less than the industry
4 wheel drive tractors	2.3 months supply	In line with the industry
Total tractors	5.9 months supply	> 1 month less than the industry
Combines	1.2 months supply	1 month more than the industry

December 2009 Flash Report

United States Unit Retail Sales

(Report Released 1/8/2010)

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	December			YTD - December			Beginning Inventory December
	2009	2008	% Chg	2009	2008	% Chg	2009
2WD Farm Tractors							
< 40 HP	4,853	5,169	-6.1	79,658	99,317	-19.8	42,550
40 < 100 HP	4,075	4,927	-17.3	48,491	67,735	-28.4	25,044
100+ HP	2,591	2,637	-1.7	22,878	26,261	-12.9	8,867
Total 2WD Farm Tractors	11,519	12,733	-9.5	151,027	193,313	-21.9	76,461
4WD Farm Tractors	449	384	16.9	4,514	4,427	2.0	886
Total Farm Tractors	11,968	13,117	-8.8	155,541	197,740	-21.3	77,347
Self-Prop Combines	982	950	3.4	9,717	8,464	14.8	950

These data are, in part, estimates that are subject to revisions when final detail data become available. Because of the seasonal nature of the industry, comparisons of monthly data from one period to another should be done with extreme caution. These data represent most, but not all, of the manufacturers in each product category being sold at retail in the fifty states and District of Columbia.

December 2009 Flash Report**Canada Unit Retail Sales**

(Report Released 1/8/2010)

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	December			YTD - December			Beginning Inventory
	2009	2008	% Chg	2009	2008	% Chg	December 2009
2WD Farm Tractors							
< 40 HP	799	861	-7.2	10,823	14,163	-23.6	6,261
40 < 100 HP	579	644	-10.1	7,174	8,750	-18.0	3,017
100+ HP	339	294	15.3	4,012	4,589	-12.6	1,748
Total 2WD Farm Tractors	1,717	1,799	-4.6	22,009	27,502	-20.0	11,026
4WD Farm Tractors	93	174	-46.6	1,188	1,210	-1.8	195
Total Farm Tractors	1,810	1,973	-8.3	23,197	28,712	-19.2	11,221
Self-Prop Combines	178	146	21.9	2,589	2,208	17.3	237

These data are, in part, estimates that are subject to revisions when final detail data become available. Because of the seasonal nature of the industry, comparisons of monthly data from one period to another should be done with extreme caution. These data represent most, but not all, of the manufacturers in each product category being sold at retail in Canada.

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Estimated North American Retail Unit Sales Activity

For Selected Construction Equipment

During the Month of December and cumulative for 12 Months of 2009,

Relative to Industry Results or Levels, Compared with Prior Year Periods

The following table summarizes CNH's estimates of selected construction equipment industry retail unit sales results in North America as compared with prior year periods. Estimated industry results for the current periods are expressed in terms of the percentage change from the prior year periods, by major product category.

These industry preliminary estimates are based on unit sales and are believed to include most, but not all, of the equipment sold in each of the categories. The estimates are subject to revision from time to time and caution should be maintained when using the data for any purpose. Actual results will vary and may not be known for some time. Over time, industry results also will be adjusted to reflect actual sales differences, reclassifications, or other factors. Retail unit sales will fluctuate from month to month due to several factors, including timing of new products and new product introductions, product availability, and sales programs. CNH Global N.V.'s performance for the same periods is described relative to the change in industry results.

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Estimated North American Retail Activity December 2009

	Total North	
	American	CNH RELATIVE PERFORMANCE
CATEGORY	INDUSTRY	(All Brands)
RETAIL UNIT SALES:		
MONTH of December 2009		
Loader/backhoes	Down moderate double digits	Down high double digits, significantly more than the industry
Skid Steer Loaders	Down moderate double digits	Down moderate double digits, slightly more than the industry
Total Light Equipment*	Down moderate double digits	Down moderate double digits, moderately more than the industry
Total Heavy Equipment**	Down moderate double digits	Down high double digits, moderately more than the industry
RETAIL UNIT SALES:		
12 MONTHS 2009		
Loader/backhoes	Down high double digits	Down high double digits, slightly better than the industry
Skid Steer Loaders	Down high double digits	Down high double digits, slightly more than the industry
Total Light Equipment*	Down high double digits	Down high double digits, equal to the industry
Total Heavy Equipment**	Down high double digits	Down high double digits, slightly more with the industry

* As of January 1, 2009 compact track loaders and rough terrain forklift have been included in light equipment, as industry volume estimates are available for both 2008 and 2009.

** As of January 1, 2009 crawler loaders have been excluded from heavy equipment, as units volumes are no longer significant.