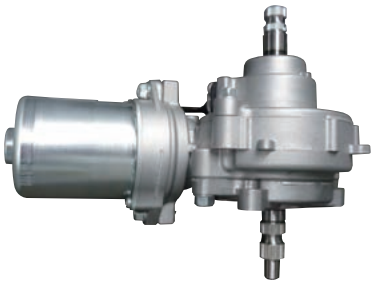
Intermediate Type Electric Power Steering



This report introduces an intermediate type electric power steering (I-EPS®) newly developed and mass-produced by JTEKT, which can be mounted onto vehicles that have small mounting space such as UTV* and agricultural/construction machinery, and provides comfortable maneuverability.

*UTV: Utility Task Vehicle

Purposes of development

①It's simplified and compact design enabled mounting onto the vehicles with small space, which was not possible for the conventional electric power steering.
②Waterproof performance for the drive on unpaved roads or in the rain.

Features

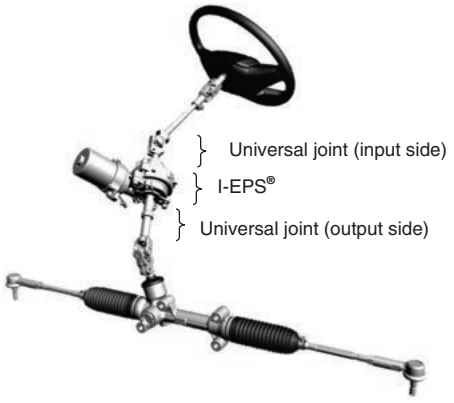
①Adopting the technologies accumulated through electric power steering for passenger cars, and securing comfortable maneuverability and high reliability.
②Versatile packaging
- Fixing to vehicles with brackets (Easy to mount on similar vehicles by just changing the bracket).
- A compact form consisting of an input shaft, reduction gear, and output shaft. (Possible to mount on arbitrary positions of the present steering systems)

③Maneuverability leveraging the electric power steering features
- Enabling both light maneuverability for low speed driving and stable maneuverability for high speed driving.

Future

To be applied to industrial machinery and with high functionality, contribute to the industrial fields such as agriculture and construction businesses that are suffering from serious labor shortage.
①Deployment to vehicles with various applications
- Mounting on agricultural machinery (e.g. tractor, passenger rice planter) and construction machinery (e.g. wheel loader).

②Application to further high functionality (remote control, automated drive)
- Contribution to work load reduction, manpower saving, and work efficiency.



I-EPS® mounting example

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