

## **News Release**

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## New "Baby" Sonic Rig Born Into World of Mini Rigs

As urban centers continue to sprawl out, the need for a quiet, small, effective sonic drill – a mini version that could offer many of the advantages of a full-sized rig – has become an urgent priority.

To meet this need, the Sonic Drill Corporation (www.sonic-drill.com), manufacturer of full-sized sonic drill rigs, recently announced the birth of a smaller, lighter version called the Sonic Probe and, like its big brother, this mini rig can also be equipped with crawler tracks.

With its lightweight footprint, small-size maneuverability and unique sonic drilling method, the Sonic Probe enters the mini rig market with four substantial benefits over direct-push rigs. It can:

- drill quietly
- drill faster
- drill deeper
- drill through cobble material while providing continuous core samples



Like its larger twin, the Sonic Probe works by forcing oscillations down the drill string to allow it to easily buzz through a variety of materials – with or without using any drilling fluid and without producing any cuttings. And, thanks to its distinctive drilling method, bylaw officers and neighbors will be kept at bay by its quiet hum.

It also carries a significantly smaller price tag than a full-sized sonic rig, allowing more companies to incorporate sonic drilling technology into their business.

The patented Sonic Probe is also built using the same standards of manufacturing as its larger version and, conveniently, **it will also utilize all standard direct-push tooling.** Recently, it was on display at the 2006 NGWA convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, where it created a buzz of interest as a surprise, unannounced addition to the trade show. Easy to own and operate, many visitors to the show expressed excitement at seeing this baby sonic, available for 2007 and ready to do battle with urban sprawl.