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Mini-Sonic Sold to Mining Company in Chile

With the introduction last year of its mini-sized sonic rig, the Sonic Drill Corporation (www.sonic-drill.com) has continued to refine its smallest and lightest rig on the market – producing its latest version, the Sonic Probe 200.

With its small footprint, easy maneuverability and unique sonic drilling method, the Sonic Probe 200 offers four substantial benefits over direct-push rigs. It can drill quieter, faster, deeper and easily through cobble material while providing continuous core samples.

The first Sonic Probe 200 has been sold to Superex S.A. in Chile. The company has indicated that its initial plan is to use the rig for sampling in the mining industry. However, before being shipped to Chile, this rig will be on display at the December 2008 NGWA convention in Las Vegas, Nevada.



This latest version is different from the original Sonic Probe thanks to an increase in horsepower (for higher elevation work) and a longer tower to enable the use of 2m drill rods and a three-level breakout table.

Like its larger sonic rig brothers, the Sonic Probe 200 works by forcing oscillations down the drill string to allow it to easily drill through a variety of materials – with or without using any drilling fluid and without producing any cuttings. 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 200 is built using the same exacting engineering standards as larger versions and, conveniently, it also utilizes all standard direct-push tooling.



A Sonic Probe 200 sits outside Sonic Drill Corporation's new manufacturing facility.