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Blastcrete Mine Mate an Efficient, Low-Profile Shotcrete Pumping Machine

ANNISTON, Alabama (Jan. 22, 2019) — <u>Blastcrete Equipment LLC's</u> innovative <u>Mine Mate</u> machine mixes and pumps concrete for underground mine sealing and stabilization, grouting and various other shotcrete applications. The Mine Mate enhances safety in underground mining and tunneling applications and is a convenient solution when ready-mix concrete is not an option. Featuring Blastcrete's X-10 ultra high-pressure swing-tube pump, the Mine Mate is a highly productive and reliable machine that's also easy to operate and maintain.

Blastcrete developed the Mine Mate to serve customers who need a machine to apply shotcrete in underground coal applications. The unit uses a wet-mix shotcrete process, which minimizes dust emissions and improves visibility. This provides a safer alternative to dry shotcrete, particularly for underground use. Operators can use the compact Mine Mate within a 4-foot ceiling.

The Mine Mate includes Blastcrete's X-10 3-inch, high-pressure swing-tube pump and a high-shear continuous mixer. The unit can mix and pump 12 cubic yards per hour and handle aggregate up to 3/8-inch diameter. Offering the highest piston face pressure in the industry at 2,200 PSI, the swing-tube pump can move material in excess of 500 feet, horizontally and vertically. Additionally, the hydraulic pump can run in reverse to eliminate line pressure from the delivery line should a hose plug.

Unlike competitive swing-tube pumps, the X-10 provides easy access for cleaning and maintenance. The pump's receiving hopper swings out to give users quick cleanup and maintenance. Four heavy-duty bolts hold the flat pack so it can quickly and easily be replaced.

Blastcrete offers the Mine Mate with a V3600, 66-horsepower Kubota water-cooled diesel engine or 50-horsepower electric motor with starter and disconnect. The machine can also be equipped with a material screw conveyor with a bin indicator for charging the continuous mixer.

The Mine Mate's X-10 is CE Certified, meeting European Union safety standards for equipment operation. To accommodate even the most unique and challenging underground applications, Blastcrete offers the option to customize the machine to suit any end-user's specific needs.

Blastcrete Equipment, LLC has been manufacturing safe, reliable and user-friendly solutions for the refractory and shotcrete industries for more than 60 years. With a complete product line consisting of concrete mixers, pumps and related products, the company serves the commercial and residential construction, ICF and SCIP building systems, refractory and underground markets. More information: Blastcrete Equipment, LLC 2000 Cobb Ave., Anniston, AL 36202; 800-235-4867; fax 256-236-9824; info@blastcrete.com; www.blastcrete.com; LinkedIn.

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