

New 3M Locator Is Optimized for Finding Pipe

AUSTIN, Texas – February 19, 2008 – Finding underground pipes just got easier. The new 3M Dynatel Advanced Pipe/Cable Locator 2220M harnesses the time-tested technology of other Dynatel locators but is specially designed to locate underground pipes simply and accurately. The easy-to-use locator is rugged enough to stand up to the worst field conditions, yet is highly sensitive to deliver accurate results.

The locator's two active trace frequencies, 8 kHz and 82 kHz, can be used for most underground locating applications as its enhanced inductive capability provides the maximum allowed induction power. In addition, the receiver can detect passive power (50/60Hz) and radio (15k-30kHz) for damage avoidance as well as remote transmitters such as Sondes and pipeline inspection cameras. The operator can choose the frequency best suited for the situation, allowing maximum performance.

The receiver provides the familiar bar graph, signal strength and direction indication to the pipe or cable, which helps the operator distinguish the target pipe or cable in congested areas. A push-button digital depth readout in inches, feet or centimeters provides quick, easy depth measurements in active, passive power and Sonde modes.

Not only is the locator exceptionally simple and intuitive for new users, but it also provides the power and sensitivity needed for the most demanding applications.

“3M's Track and Trace technology is at the forefront of innovation,” says Lem Amen, vice president, 3M Track and Trace Solutions. “3M offers enabling technologies developed to address the identification, locating and management needs surrounding assets across multiple industries.”

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For more information about 3M Dynatel Advanced Pipe/Cable Locator 2220M, contact 3M Track and Trace Solutions, A148-2N-01, 6801 River Place Blvd., Austin, Texas 78726-9000, USA, or call (800) 426-8688. For more information about 3M locating and marking products, go to www.3M.com/dynatel.

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