

LATEST ON DIRECT PIPE® AND E-POWER PIPE®

Case studies and outlook



Presenter: Dr. Gerhard Lang, Herrenknecht AG

UCT, January 2022

THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

AGENDA

- Introduction History
- I. E-Power Pipe[®] Technology
- III. E-Power Pipe[®] References
- **IV.** Direct Pipe[®] Technology
- V. Direct Pipe[®] References
- VI. Conclusion / Outlook

THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

HISTORY

Milestones of the Product Development

2007

Start of Direct Pipe[®] and Pipe Thruster Technology

- > Alternative to HDD in critical soil conditions.
- > MT application for the pipeline market.







Milestones of the Product Development

2017

Start of the E-Power Pipe® Technology

- > Trenchless method for shallow cable installation method.
- > Pilot Project Borken, Germany, AVNS 350 XB, I = 300m







THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

PIPELINE INSTALLATION

Construction methods and their applicaton range

	Semi-trenchless	Trenchless					
	Pipe Express [®]	Auger Boring	HDD	Direct Pipe [®]	E-Power Pipe [®]	Casing / tunnel	
						Pipe Jacking	Segment Lining
Installation	One-step	One-step/ Multi-step	Multi-step	One-step	Multi-step	One-pass/ two- pass	One-pass/ two pass
Material pipe, liner	Steel	All (stiff)	Steel/HDPE/ PVC	Steel	Steel/HDPE/ PVC	All (stiff)	Reinforced concrete
Diameter (ID/OD)	OD 30" – 60"	OD 4" - 56"	OD 10" – 60"	OD 24" – 60"	OD 10" – 28"	250-4000mm Tunnel ID	>2300mm Tunnel ID
Max. installation length	~2,000 m	~100 m	~5,000 m	~2,000 m	~1,000 m	~2,500 m	~10,000 m
Min. installation depth	1 m	1.5 x Ø Pipe (OD)	10-15 x Ø Pipe (OD)	3 x Ø Pipe (OD)	1.5 m	2-3 x Ø Tunnel (OD)	2-3 x Ø Tunnel (OD)
Geology	All rock < 15 MPa	All rock < 30 Mpa	cohesive soil	All rock <150 MPa	All rock <30 MPa (temp. 150 MPa)	All rock <400 MPA	All rock <400MPa

The information in this table is intended as an initial guideline; the parameters may vary depending on the project.

THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

EPOWER PIPE

Technology and process overview



Two-step installation, e.g. cable casing pipe (HDPE)

THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY



Technology and process overview using AVNS 350 XB



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Two-step installation of pipes and pipelines



Installation steps

- 1. Pilot bore with temporary jacking pipes
- 2. Pullin of product pipe or

casing

EPOWER PIPE

- AVNS MTBM with slurry jet pump
- diameters ≥ 28"
- long drives > 1,000 m
- little overburden (min. 1.5 m)
- constant distance between lines < 1m
- special jacking pipes for installation
- Grouting of annulus during pullback of product pipe



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Core Component: AVNS slurry microtunnelling machine with jet pump





THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

JET PUMP TECHNOLOGY IN AVNS

For slurry MTBMs smaller than 30" - capable of distances > 1,000m.



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

JET PUMP TECHNOLOGY IN AVNS

For slurry MTBMs smaller than 30" - capable of distances > 1,000m.





Booster Line – High Pressure Booster Line – High Flow Speed Suction Side – Low Pressure

Mixing of Boost Flow & Suction Stream Build-Up of Slurry Pressure





THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Core Component: Rack & Pinion jacking frame



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Core Component: Steel jacking pipes & coupling system

- > Tight sleeve connection system (ZSM)
- > 350 t of transferable pull and pushing force
- > Dimensions: 9 m long; 457 mm outer diameter
- > 2.5 t weight per jacking pipe





EPOWER PIPE



E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Jobsite installation



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Project references in Germany: protective pipes for underground cables

Borken, TSO Amprion

- Sections 3 x 300 m, constant depth
- Geology: silt, sand, clay
- Feb-Mar 2017

2 Conneforde, TSO Tennet

- Sections 6 x 300 m, S-curves r=500m
- Geology: silt, sand, clay, till, boulders
- Nov 2017 Jan 2018

6 Bacharach, TSO Amprion

- Sections 6 x ~ 700 m, curves r=500m
- Geology: silt, sand, sticky clay, schist, quartzite boulders, iron ore
- Nov 2018 Mar 2019

Grossgartach, TSO TransnetBW

- Sections 3 x 455 m, curves r_V =500m, r_H =788m
- Geology: clay
- Feb-Mar 2021





THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Project no. 3 in Bacharach, Germany

- > Sections 6 x ~ 700 m, curves r=500m
- > Average overburden: 2 m





THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Latest cable project in the Netherlands

- > Location: Eindhoven, NL
- > High-voltage cable line (150 kV)
- > Installation length:
 - > 2 x 400m (done)
 - > 2 x 2,000m (to start January 2022)
- > Cutting diameter: 505mm
- > Geology: sand, silt, clay, peat
- > Contractor: Denys
- > Client: Tennet NL





THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

E-POWER PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

EPOWER PIPE

Latest cable project in the Netherlands



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Benefits of the one-step pipeline installation method



- one pass installation
- min. frac out risk
- borehole supported
- highly accurate
- less soil excavation
- shorter crossing distance

THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

High flexibility

Step 1: Pipeline installation



Step 2: Pipeline Retraction for e.g. tool change – Borehole is stabilized with Bentonite



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Reference projects in North America





1 Highway 70 Crossing, Florida, 30", 705ft gas pipeline (2010)



26 Sur de Texas Tuxpan Pipeline, Texas, 42", 4,900ft gas pipeline landfall (2017)

THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Longest reference project: World Record in New Zealand

- M-2170M, AVN1000 + Pipe Thruster HK750PT
- > Location: Algies Bay, New Zealand
- Use of Pipeline: 48" Casing Snells Algies Wastewater Pipe and Outfall Replacement, Shore approach with offshore recovery
- > Drilling length: 2,021m
- > Geology: mudstone, sandstone,
- > Client: Watercare, Auckland
- > Contractor: McConnell Dowell
- > Performance:
 - > Best daily performance: 42.5m
 - > Best weekly performance: 211m
 - > End position reached: July 28th, 2020

WORLD RECORD 2,021 M



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Smallest reference project: 28" Direct Pipe with AVNS 600, with jet pump system

- M-2596M, AVNS600 + H-144, HK500PT
- > Project: GIPL-Gas Interconnector Poland-Lithuania
- > 2 river crossings executed:
 - > # 1 River Czarna Hancza: 320 m
 - > # 2 River Narew: 884 m
- > Geology: sand, gravel, boulders
- > Client: Gaz-System
- Contractor: GGT Solutions



THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DIRECT PIPE® TECHNOLOGY

Smallest reference project: 28" Direct Pipe with AVNS 600, with jet pump system





THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES EVENT | JANUARY 25-27, 2022 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS

OUTLOOK & TRENDS

- > Longer drives
- > More complex geologies
- > New tooling approaches
- > Faster installations modular systems
- > Hybrid guidance systems
- > Operator assist systems
- > Low CO2 footprint





CONTACT @ HERRENKNECHT AG



Dr. Gerhard Lang

Head of Business Division Tunnelling & Shafts



+1 253 266 0932

lang.gerhard@herrenknecht.de

