The Safest Solution for Crews Working Exit-Side HDD Operations

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Traditional Exit-Side Process

- Manual labor with heavy chain or tong wrenches
- Inefficiencies and dangers
- Precision limitations





Challenges in Traditional Process

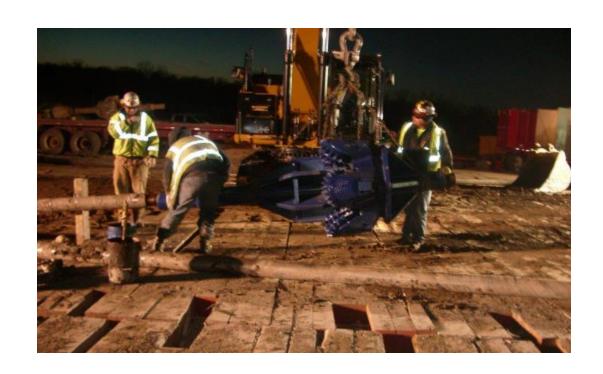






- Over- and undertorqueing
- Worker safety risks
- Pipe damage and tool failure

Safety Concerns in Exit-Side Operations



- Worker injury risks with manual handling of pipe and tooling with straps and chains
- Catastrophic tool failures
- Workers at pipe joint
- Communication by radio typical over distances
- Stored energy downhole

Efficiency Issues in Traditional Methods



- Time-consuming processes
- Increased labor requirements
- Safety mitigation



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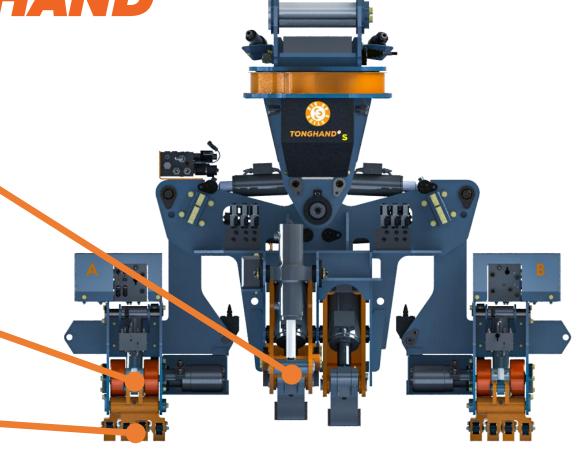
Exit-Side Wrench

- Developed and designed by LaValley Industries
- Automates exit-side operations
- Hands-free, keeps personnel out of harm's way
- Used on HDD job sites globally since 2015



Key Features of **TONGHAND®**

- TongVise™ allows operator to torque and untorque joints
 from safety of excavator cab
- Roller Arms thread and unthread tail strings up to 10 joints in length
- Grab Arms handle drill rod and pipe around the job site







- No workers in area of tool joint
- Gull Beams raise
 to work with
 various tooling
- TongVise™ torques

 and un-torques
 with precision
 directly at joint

TONGHAND® Controls

- Proportional control hand grips activate all TONGHAND® motions
- In-cab touch display sets all TONGHAND® operating parameters
- Monitor torque inputs in real-time







Precision Torque Application

- Measuring torque at the joint
 - Not at drill rig
- Preventing pipe/tool damage
- Real-time monitoring and adjustments
 - Sensors and indicators for torque verification





Safety Improvements

- Eliminates manual handling risks
- Removes workers from high-risk zones
- Operator training requirements



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TONGHAND® OPERATOR FIELD TEST



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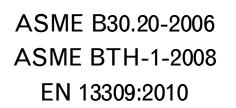
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Purposeful Development

- Meets or exceeds international design and safety standards
- Full SE and RED testing for EMC compliance and equipment compatibility











Efficiency Gains

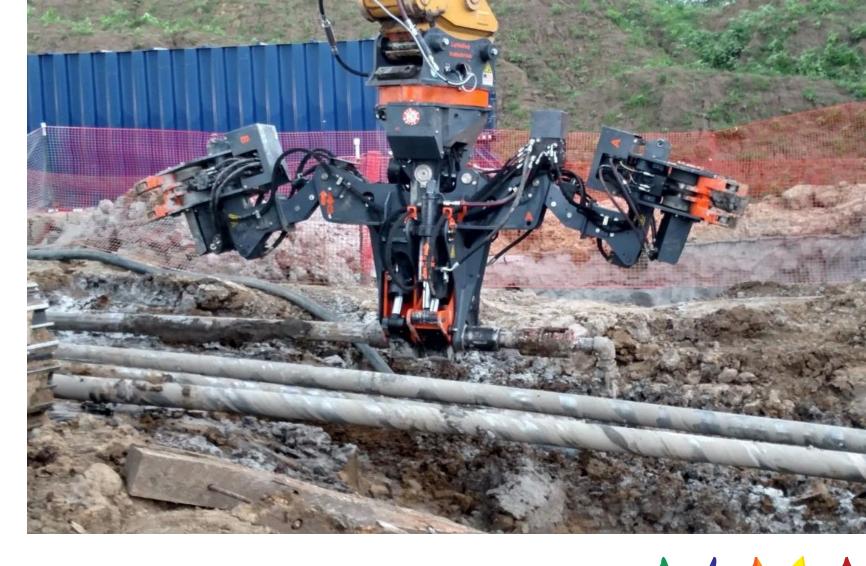
- Fewer personnel required in exit-side operations
- Additional functionality
 - Rod handling and alignment capabilities
- Increases production
- ROI achieved in months





Case Study 1:

- PretecDirectionalDrilling
- Ohio





Case Study 1: Pretec Directional Drilling

- 10 crews working 24 hours/day
- Increased production by a minimum of 1 day/week/crew
- Reduced exit-side crew by 1 worker
- Eliminated over-torqueing issues
- Improved safety on exit-side, no OSHA recordables

- Used TONGHAND® to validate drill rig torque calibrations
- TONGHAND® now part of PreTec drilling SOPs



Case Study 2:

- Mears Group
- Pennsylvania





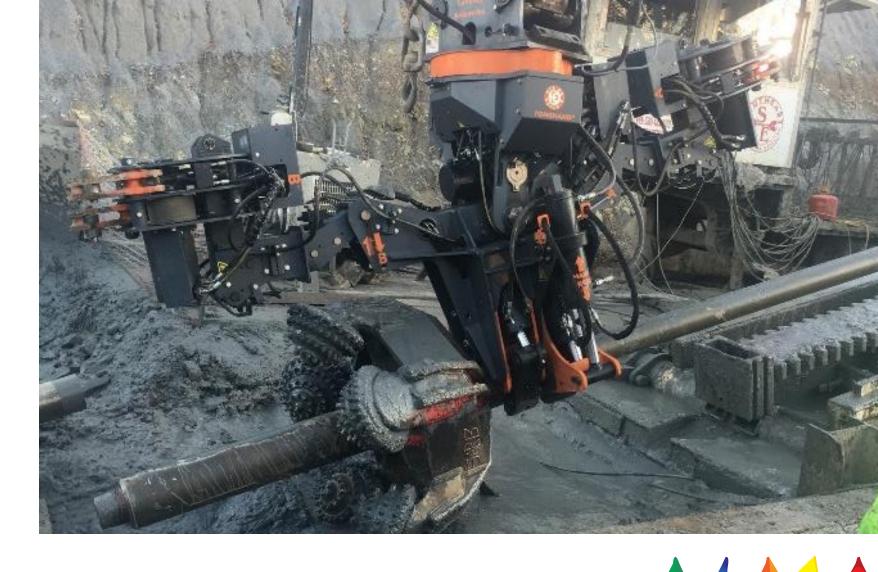
Case Study 2: Mears Group

- Increased productivity by 1 day per week
- Reduced exit-side crew by 1 worker
- Saved \$40,000/week in project costs

- Improved safety on exit-side, no OSHA recordables
- Used TONGHAND® to validate drill rig torque calibrations
- TONGHAND® now part of Mears drilling SOPs

Case Study 3:

- SouthEast Directional Drilling
- New York





Case Study 3: Southeast Directional Drilling

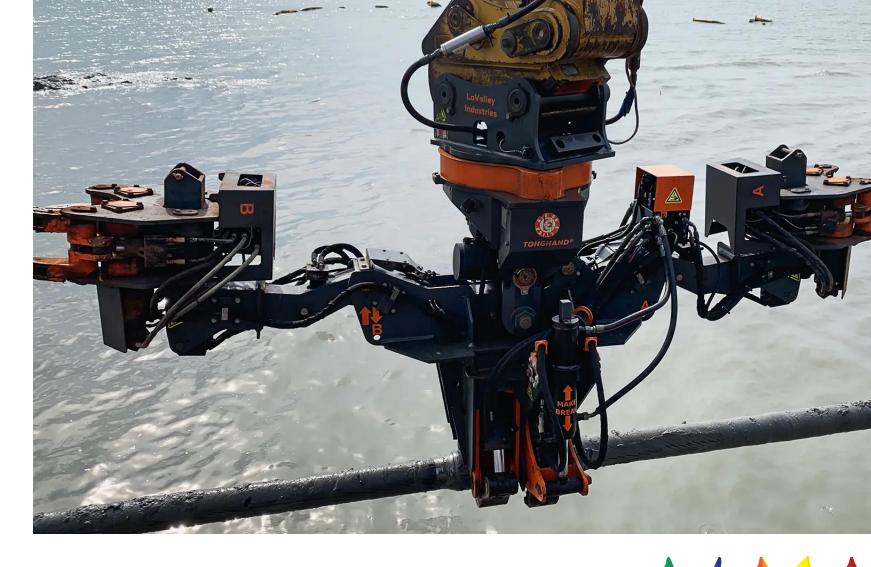
- Deployed on intersect drill
- TONGHAND® used rig side to add and remove tooling in front of drill rig vises
- Eliminated over and undertorque issues
- Increased production by 1 day/week/crew

- Used to back up drill rig vises during maintenance and repair
- Used TONGHAND® to validate drill rig calibrations
- TONGHAND® is now part of SEDD drilling SOPs



Case Study 4:

- Hard Rock Directional Drilling
- Texas





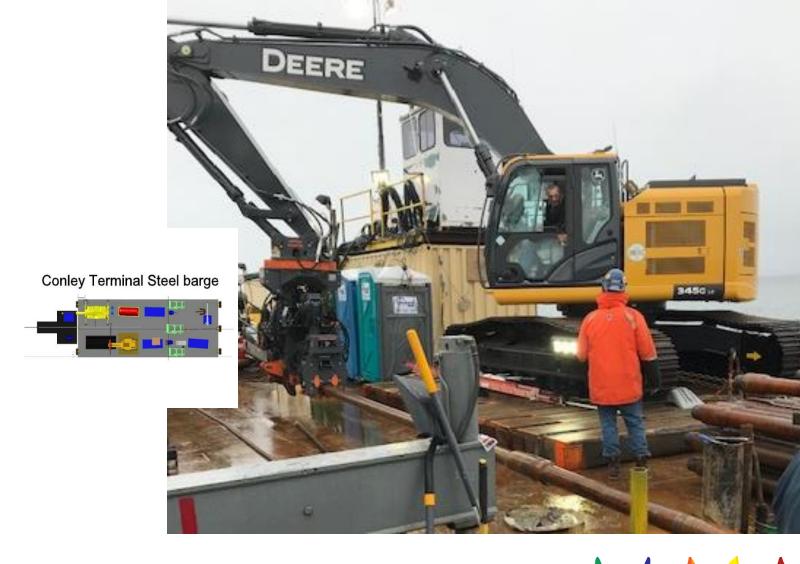
Case Study 4: Hard Rock Directional Drilling

- 2x TONGHAND®s deployed to install twin lines underneath 13,000-ft Nueces Bay using two different barges
- Limited workspace on barge (40x120ft)
- Eliminated over and undertorque issues

- Increased production by 2 workdays per week
- TONGHAND® allowed operators on each barge to handle drill pipe safely, mitigating wave hazards

Case Study 5:

- Huxted (ECI Drilling)
- Boston Harbor





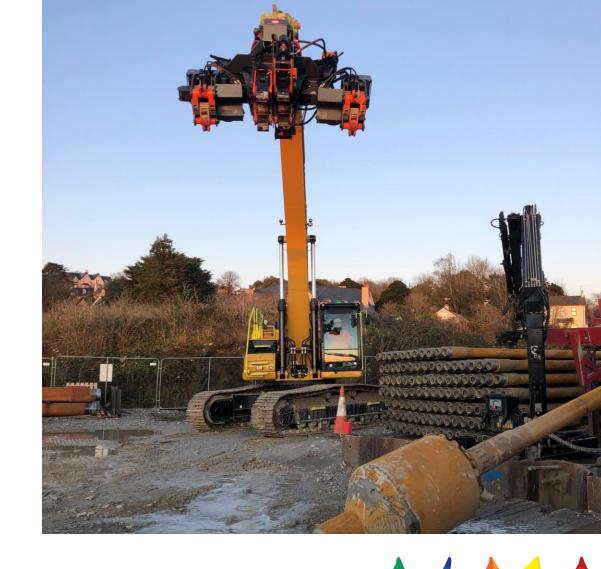
Case Study 5: Huxted (ECI Drilling)

- Deployed on anchor barge for shore approach project
- Dramatically improved safety on barge with limited space, no OSHA recordables
- TONGHAND® also used as drill rod handler

- Increased production by 1 day/week
- Used TONGHAND® to validate drill calibration

Case Study 6:

- O'Connor Utilities
- Cork, Ireland





Case Study 6: O'Connor Utilities

- Deployed utilizing very small footprint for exit-side operations
- Completed project 5 weeks ahead of schedule due to TONGHAND® efficiency
- Improved safety on exit-side by eliminating tong wrenches and supporting personnel

 Used on drill rig side to add and remove tooling in front of drill rig vises

Case Study 7:

- Gabe's Construction
- Missouri





Case Study 7: Gabe's Construction

- Deployed on a site with expansive clay seam – 4,600 ft. shot with 10 in. pipe
- Ground characteristics required frequent tooling trip ins and trip outs
- TONGHAND® contributed to reduction in job length by 14 shifts (224 hours)

- Customer saw 40-65% increase in production related to tripping in and out
- Notable savings on spent material
- Increased safety on exit-side while changing out tooling



Case Study 8:

- Gateway Energy
- Oklahoma





Case Study 8: Gateway Energy

- Deployed TONGHAND®XS on large-scale pipeline install
- Threaded product pipe with 2.875", 3.5" and 4.5" diameters, thin and thick wall
- Modified vise dies, reduction of hydraulic flow pressures to suit pipe characteristics

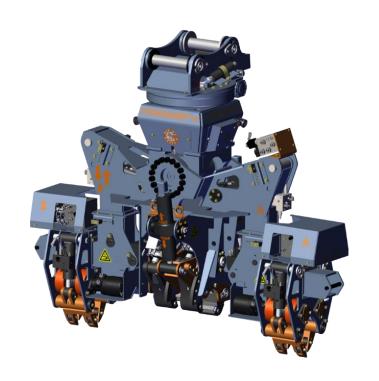
- Saw 45% increase in productivity (completed 15 man-hours of work in 8 hours)
- Installed 240,000 feet of pipe over 5 months of daily use



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- IPLOCA New Technology Award
- Pipeline Industries Guild
 - Land-based Pipeline Technology
- NASTT No-Dig Innovative Product
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3.5 - 4.38 in. tooling

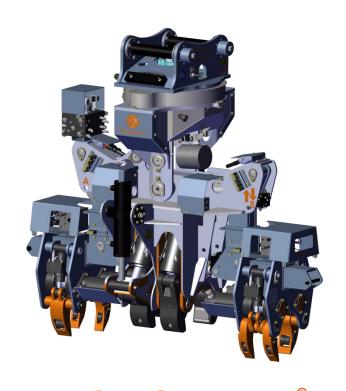
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4.13 - 6.75 in. tooling

18-23 METRIC TON

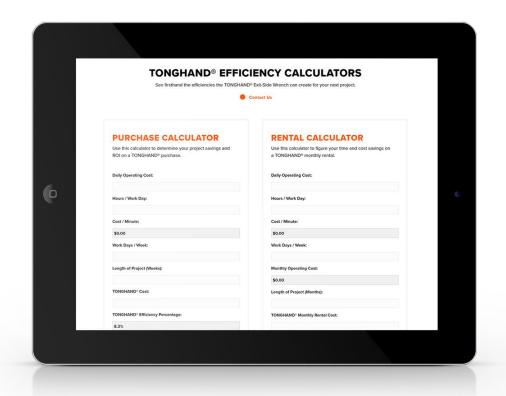


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6.5 - 10 in. tooling

30-36 METRIC TON





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Efficiency Calculators

- Evaluate efficiency gains using TONGHAND® on the exit-side
- Based on efficiency rate of 8.3% (5 min. per hour)
- Estimate overall project cost savings and ROI





Implementing TONGHAND®

- On-site training and certification
- Optimization of workflow with TONGHAND® and existing equipment
- Ongoing product support & service



What is the cost of an accident?





TONGHAND® makes exit-side operations safer



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