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Boart Longyear™ Releases New Safety Tooling to Combat Hand Injuries

SALT LAKE CITY — March 6, 2011 — Boart Longyear™ (www.boartlongyear.com, ASX:BLY), the world's leading integrated drilling products and services provider, has developed two new products to combat hand injuries on the job: the Rod Lifter and the Split Tube Loader.

"Safety is our number one concern at Boart Longyear, and the development of our new Rod Lifter and Split Tube Loader is evidence of that," said Kent Adamson, Global Director of Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) for Boart Longyear. "Not only do these products make the work less strenuous, but they also dramatically reduce the risk of hand injury. Our customers trust us, and our safety-oriented equipment ensures that everyone returns home safely to their families, everyday, everywhere and on every job."

The Boart Longyear Rod Lifter is a handheld and lightweight solution that is ergonomically designed to allow proper lifting techniques, keep the wrist and hand in a neutral position to eliminate strain and protect fingers from pinch points and sharp surfaces. The Rod Lifter also prevents thread damage and eliminates pipe slippage through the use of specially designed carbide rod grip.

Split tubes and outer casing can become very sharp and often contain metal burrs, and drillers can often suffer from hand lacerations and other injuries due to these conditions, even when wearing the proper protective gloves. The Boart Longyear Split Tube Loader is designed to eliminate hand contact with these sharp, jagged edges. Designed to fit multiple split tube diameters, the Split Tube Loader fits comfortably in the hand and keeps fingers away from dangerous contact points.

For over 120 years, Boart Longyear has been dedicated to the safety needs of the drilling, and remains at the forefront of safety technology. As a global leader, they have continually introduced innovative new products to meet the requirements of the industry, and will continue to pave the way for further progress.

About Boart Longyear

Boart Longyear (ASX: BLY) is a 120-year-old global mineral exploration company that provides mineral exploration services and drilling products for the global mining industry and also has a substantial drilling presence for water exploration, environmental sampling, energy, and oil sands exploration.

Headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah, with 2010 sales of US\$1.476 billion and over 9,000 employees worldwide, the company conducts contract drilling services in 40 countries, and provides mining products to customers in over 100 countries. Regional offices and operations are located in Asia Pacific, EMEA, Latin America, and North America.

The company can be found on the Web at www.boartlongyear.com . To get Boart Longyear news direct, visit <http://www.boartlongyear.com/rss>