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## **Atlas Copco Rock Drills AB attains ISO 14001 certification**

**Atlas Copco Rock Drills AB, a manufacturer of underground and surface rock excavation equipment for the construction and mining industry, attains ISO 14001 Certification.**

The certification applies to Atlas Copco Rock Drills AB's facilities in Örebro, Sweden, and includes the development, manufacture and marketing of surface and underground rock excavation equipment for the construction and mining industry.

According to the international standard ISO 14001 Environmental Management System, Atlas Copco Rock Drills AB has developed a system which provides the company with knowledge and control of its effect on the environment. In addition, it verifies that the company has control measures in place to continuously reduce any negative impact.

"Environmental issues have always been important to us and the ISO 14001 certification is a way to further establish our position as a leader in our industry," says Ingemar Widestig, Quality and Environmental Assurance Manager for Atlas Copco Rock Drills AB.

Environmental and ergonomic issues have long been an integrated part of the product development process. The hydraulic drill rigs can for example run on vegetable oil to reduce pollution from spill oil and leaks into the environment. The cabins for surface drilling rigs improve the working environment by shielding the operator from rock falls and other hazards as well as protecting from poor air quality, heat, cold, moisture, noise, and vibration.

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**Atlas Copco Rock Drills AB** is part of the Construction and Mining Technique (CMT) business area. For more information visit the web site at [www.atlascopco.com/rde](http://www.atlascopco.com/rde)

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