Safety is paramount in all industrial environments, especially within higher risk activities such as mobile drilling. Geotech works diligently to recognize these risks and focuses tirelessly to ensure our equipment is designed and maintained in a proactive manner and to the highest safety standards possible.

Geotech has collaborated with Kova Engineering B.C Ltd. (Kova) to address what Geotech identified as a significant opportunity to improve our safety standards with respect to our mobile and helicopter portable drilling and ancillary equipment, including but not limited to:

- Drill Rigs (Helicopter portable and track based)
- Tracked support units (Morooka)
- Fly Baskets
- Fly Fuel Tanks
- Mud and recirculation tanks

“Geotech has involved Kova Engineering BC Ltd. in developing an annual inspection program for all helicopter portable and mobile equipment to ensure the structural integrity and confirmation with all applicable codes, standards and local OH&S regulations. Engineering analysis is used to determine safe working loads complete with certified engineering drawings. Kova performs visual examinations and non-destructive inspections on all required lift equipment using its extensive and experience. All equipment is tagged with unique serial numbers and required load rating identifiers for use by personnel in the field or tracking annual inspections and engineering.”

-Kova Engineering BC Ltd.

With over 30 years of experience, Kova is a diverse team of engineers with a broad background in mechanical, structural, and civil engineering. Kova is a Canadian Standards Association (CSA) W178.1 certified Inspection Company for the inspection of buildings, bridges, industrial structures, machinery, and cranes. Kova’s staff of technologists and technicians maintain Canadian Welding Bureau (CWB) 1, 2, and 3 CSA W178.2 ticketed inspectors. In addition to their CWB qualifications, Kova holds Canadian General Standards Board (CGSB) tickets in magnetic particle, liquid penetrant and ultrasonic testing.

Geotech genuinely believes that working safely enhances drilling production; we endeavour to share this belief throughout the entire organization, from the new employee at the work interface, through to the most senior manager. Our commitment to this belief in “safe production” is critical in establishing and maintaining a safety culture which ensures our crews get home safely at the end of every day.

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30 DRILL RIGS

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