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Arbortech Introduces New Head Joint and Heritage Blades for the AS170 Brick and Mortar Saw for Exceptional Precision and Controlled Cuts

LEOMINSTER, MA – January 2011 – Arbortech introduces new Head Joint blades and Heritage blades offering more controlled cuts and exceptional precision for mortar removal on vertical joints and very narrow mortar joints. The blades are available as aftermarket accessories for its AS170 Brick and Mortar saw.

The new Head Joint Blades are ideal for cleaning out vertical mortar joints. While the use of conventional diamond blades can easily result in over-cutting and damage to the surrounding brick work, the Arbortech Head Joint blades clean out the complete joint without any damage to surrounding bricks. A shortened blade offers exceptional precision and is extremely easy to control, even when the user starts cuts in hard mortar. The cutting depth is 3 1/8-inch deep and the cutting width is 1/4-inch wide.

Developed in response to feedback from heritage restoration specialists, the Heritage Blades reduced cutting width of 1/8 inch and their high level of precision and control, make them ideal for cleaning out the narrow lime mortar joints typically found in historic buildings.

Both blades feature the new high performance improved carbide formula and tooth design and high temperature brazing.

"The new Head Joint blades and Heritage blades are an excellent addition to the innovative and high performing AS170 brick and mortar saw from Arbortech," said Henry Schweitzer, National Sales Manager, Arbortech USA. "The blades provide an efficient and precise method for mortar removal."

The AS170 brick and mortar saw's patented Allsaw™ cutting technology uses a unique orbital cutting motion with two forward facing blades that combine to perform both a hammering and a cutting action that allows for the users to have clear visibility and the ability to accurately cut square and deep.

For more information on the new blades and the AS170 brick and mortar saw, visit: www.AS170.com

About Arbortech

Arbortech is an Australian company engaged in the research, development and manufacture of innovative technologies. Arbortech was incorporated in 1988 with the release of its Woodcarver™ Blade, a revolutionary product that allows the user to powerfully shape wood using free-hand techniques. Arbortech gained international recognition for its development of Airboard™, a personal hovercraft that was featured in the opening ceremony of the 2000 Olympics in Sydney. Its most recent product introduction, the AS170 brick and mortar saw, features patented Allsaw technology that provides optimum safety, precision and cutting speed.

Arbortech has positioned itself as a progressive company delivering unique woodworking and masonry cutting power tools. It has gained a reputation for innovation, engineering excellence and cutting-edge technology.

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