**JAIME IBARRA JOINS NORMET IN NORTH AMERICA**

Cris Soler, Regional VP for North America, announces that Jaime Ibarra has joined the organization in the role of TBM Technical Manager – Americas. He will also be coordinatingclosely with Lars Langmaack,Normet’s global Technical Manager-TBM.

Jaime has over 30 years of experience in the tunnelling industry. He began his career in TBM equipment manufacturing, managing the equipment assembly and commissioning, as well as guiding customers in their use, function and operation. Throughout his career, he has held a variety of roles in mechanized tunnel projects around the world:TBM operation, Tunnel Engineer, Project Manager, TBM General Manager, TBM Specialist, and most recently as TBM Technical Manager with a Construction Chemicals manufacturer/supplier.

Jaime’s key role in Normet is to lead Normet’s North and Latin American teams into the fast growing market of TBM related construction chemicals.

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Normet has a broad underground offering:

* Equipment for concrete spraying and transport, explosives charging, scaling, lifting, installation works, and logistics.
* Construction chemicals for sprayed concrete, admixtures for all types concrete, injection systems for rock improvement, reinforcement systems for high deformation conditions, spray applied waterproofing systems and needed chemicals for TBM technology covering hard rock, EPB, open face and slurry type machines.
* The new generation energy absorbing rock bolting system; the D-Bolt system specially designed for efficient and reliable rock reinforcement, in both squeezing and burst-prone strata conditions,

Normet has delivered over 10,000 built-for-purpose underground machines which are serviced and supported with Life Time Care.

Normet currently employs over 900 business professionals.

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