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Comacchio S.p.A. Launches “Comacchio X” – Dedicated Mining Exploration Division – at PDAC in Toronto

Toronto, Canada – 1st March 2026 – Comacchio S.p.A. announces the official launch of **Comacchio X**, its new Mining Exploration Division, at **PDAC** taking place in early March. The creation of this dedicated division marks a strategic milestone in the company’s continued evolution and reinforces its long-term commitment to the mineral exploration sector.

With more than 20 years of experience in exploration drilling and over 500 rigs sold across more than 40 countries worldwide, Comacchio has built internationally recognized expertise in the sector. The establishment of Comacchio X reflects both the growth of the company and the increasing specialization required by the mining exploration market.

A Dedicated Structure for a Specialized Industry

The mineral exploration sector is characterized by demanding operational environments, strict safety standards, and a constant need for high-performance equipment. Comacchio X has been created to respond to these challenges with a focused organizational structure and highly specialized expertise.

“Throughout this journey, the importance of supporting customers with dedicated, highly specialized expertise in response to the distinctive technical, operational and safety-driven demands of the exploration drilling market has made it clear that a focused organizational structure is essential,” stated **Emanuele Comacchio, Technical & Sales Manager of the Division**. “Comacchio X brings together dedicated commercial and technical specialists focused exclusively on the mineral exploration sector, including engineers, geologists, and experienced industry consultants.”

This structure allows customers to receive comprehensive consultancy at every stage — from machine selection and configuration to on-site commissioning and after-sales support. Dedicated assistance is also provided in selecting the most suitable drilling equipment according to specific geological and operational conditions, ensuring operational continuity and minimizing downtime.

The New Identity: Engineering Continuity, Vision for the Future

The name “Comacchio X” reflects both continuity and ambition.

“The direct reference to Comacchio reaffirms continuity with the same high engineering standards and manufacturing quality that have always defined its identity,” explains **Andrea Maida, Division Manager**. “The ‘X’ symbolizes our determination to go beyond known boundaries, explore new technological frontiers, and develop innovative solutions to address future industry challenges.”

The division also adopts a distinct visual identity characterized by orange — a color closely associated with mining environments and mineral oxidation processes — further strengthening its sector-specific positioning.

The CX Line: Versatility and Performance

At the core of the new division is the **CX line of mineral exploration drill rigs**, developed to provide maximum versatility and adaptability.

The range covers pullback capacities from 10 to 50 tons and is available in both truck-mounted and crawler-mounted configurations, allowing flexibility across diverse site conditions and logistical requirements.

The rigs are engineered to support a wide range of drilling applications, including diamond core drilling, reverse circulation (RC), and grade control operations. They can also be configured as multipurpose machines capable of integrating multiple drilling technologies within the same unit.

“Thanks to constant dialogue with our customers and careful attention to their needs, we are able to develop tailor-made machines and guarantee ‘mining-ready’ solutions complete with the documentation required by the mine, ensuring rapid and efficient commissioning immediately after delivery,” adds Emanuele Comacchio.

Safety First: Innovation Driven by Responsibility

Safety is the guiding principle behind Comacchio X’s engineering philosophy.

“For us at Comacchio X, innovation stems first and foremost from the responsibility to protect those who work on our machines every day,” emphasizes Andrea Maida.

Every drill rig is engineered to meet and sometimes exceed the highest international safety standards, integrating advanced technologies that protect operators at every stage of operation. From automated rod handling systems that virtually eliminate manual intervention, to reinforced protective structures, certified work platforms, and remote-control capabilities, CX rigs are designed to significantly reduce risk while enhancing efficiency and precision in demanding environments. Complemented by advanced dust suppression, including protected operator cabins, Comacchio X’s comprehensive approach ensures a safer working environment for both personnel and the surrounding ecosystem.

A flagship example is the **new CX 20A**, a fully automated rig equipped with a certified operator cabin designed to ensure maximum protection and comfort.

Future Outlook: Digitalization and Interconnectivity

Looking ahead, Comacchio X is investing in advanced digital solutions to enhance operational efficiency and service continuity. “Innovation for us also means ensuring service continuity and operational efficiency through digital interconnectivity,” concludes Andrea Maida.

Starting next year, rigs will be equipped with next-generation connectivity systems capable of operating via SIM cards, satellite communication, and local Wi-Fi networks. This will enable remote monitoring and improved operational control.

These capabilities will be integrated into the new **COMMAC portal**, a digital platform allowing customers to monitor fleet performance in real time, access centralized dashboards, share data via customizable APIs, and enable proactive service interventions.

About Comacchio S.p.A.

Founded in 1986, Comacchio S.p.A. is a family-owned Italian company specialized in the design and manufacture of high-performance drilling rigs serving a wide range of markets, including geotechnics, foundations, water well drilling, geothermal, and mineral exploration. Headquartered in Riese Pio X (TV), Italy, the company operates from modern facilities covering over 20,000 square meters, where engineering and production activities are fully integrated. With a team of approximately 280 employees, Comacchio delivers reliable and customizable drilling solutions supported by an extensive global sales and after-sales network. With rigs operating in over 100 countries worldwide, the company is recognized for its engineering excellence, productivity-driven design, strong safety standards, and long-term customer support.

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