Setting Earth-Shattering Standards Since 1966

Maine Drilling & Blasting has earned their reputation as one of the safest, most experienced drilling and blasting companies in the Northeast. During the past 50 years, they have performed over 2 million controlled blasts for highways, site development, quarries, houses lots, utilities and maritime work.

Extensive Experience
Maine Drilling and Blasting has drilled some of the most aesthetic presplit faces, helped plan and develop over 200 quarries, installed rock anchors over water, under stadium seating and 100 feet above highways, and mechanically broken hundreds of thousands of cubic yards of rock with their hoe rams. They have extensive experience in projects from wind farms to ski-slope development.

Specialty Services
Recognized as an industry leader in drilling and rock blasting services for the construction and quarry markets, they also offer a variety of specialty services throughout the northeastern United States:

- Rock Bolting
- Rock Anchors
- Hoe Ramming
- Engineering
- Public Relations
- Pre-Blast Surveys
- Packaged and Bulk Explosive Distribution
- Quarry Planning in addition to Quarry Blasting

Leading Industry Technology
In 2001, they established an Engineering Department, which has since enabled their blasters and drillers to rely on the most advanced topographical information, computerized simulations, laser profiling of rock faces, and bore tracking. Fully staffed, this Department also provides project and customer support in the form of detail design, volume surveys and value-added engineering.

Bulk Program
In 2004 they became the first contractor in the country to construct and operate their own bulk explosives blending and loading plant. This allows them to maintain excellent quality control, customize-blend for various climates and jobs, and offer their customers the best product at the best price. In 2006, they took their bulk program modal improving the company’s commitment to local market areas and quality customer service. In 2008 they developed a proprietary micro-pumper delivery system making bulk even more accessible for small construction projects.

Equipment Services Group
Among drilling and blasting companies, Maine Drilling & Blasting is known for its world class service and operator training programs. Their Equipment Service Group provides industry leading service, knowledge, and technology to their fleet of drills and 100 rams, and their operators. Their equipment is state-of-the-art and maintained with precision.

Safety Technologies
Driven by safety-consciousness and the demands of being a good neighbor, Maine Drilling & Blasting has increased its investments in state-of-the-art safety technologies, public relations programs and community outreach. Key technical managers staffed in house personnel, as well as educate front line responders, local officials, their customers and the general public.

Maine Drilling & Blasting’s Expertise
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BILL PURINGTON
PRESIDENT & CEO

Maine Drilling & Blasting dedicates itself to setting new and always higher standards for safety and service in the drilling and blasting industry. Motivated by pride in ourselves and our work, we are guided by the precepts of professionalism, planning and profitability. We pledge to provide our customers and coworkers with the respect and responsiveness they deserve and devote to them our best work and our good common sense.

Maine Drilling & Blasting will be the organization of choice within the northeastern region as seen through its employees, customers and suppliers. Our quality drilling and blasting principles will be measured by safety, desirability, integrity and profitability.

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MAINE DRILLING & BLASTING ~ 1966 - 2016

1966: Founding
MD&B was founded as a subsidiary to serve the southern New England market. Differing the company, the business grew into the firm, from a secondary office, from the company headquarters in Gardiner, Maine.

1966-1973: Growth
From its corporate office in Gardiner, Maine, MD&B established its Engineering Department to serve local service to the Mid-Atlantic region of the US.

1979-1982: Rapid expansion woes
Over the past five years, MD&B has experienced several key acquisitions and expansions, the challenge became downsizing and reorganization.

1982-1989: Reorganization
In response to the growing pains, the company reorganized and focused on core business. MD&B was successfully modified and the company was reorganized.

1989: At peak
MD&B had established seven operating divisions with a peak work force of more than 150 employees – up from 21 in 1982. The company also had moved over to the construction industry hard. Rather than managing the business, the company focused on technology for our drillers and blasters.

1990: Major acquisition
MD&B had acquired its largest central New England competitor, providing traditional and integrated accounting, consulting and tax services.

1996: Major acquisition
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1991: Consolidation
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1999: Employee Ownership Tops 30%
By the end of the year, the company had acquired its largest central New England competitor, providing traditional and integrated accounting, consulting and tax services.

2000: Engineering
MD&B established its Engineering Department to enhance technology for our drillers and blasters.

2004: ESOP Established
Axe in 2004, MD&B acquired its largest central New England competitor, providing traditional and integrated accounting, consulting and tax services.

2005: Mid-Atlantic Expansion
MD&B engineered a very large bulk emulsion transport haul by a dozen capable haulers and direct-pumping 11,800 bbls of product. This Bulk Skid™ enabled bulk to be transported on and of the truck, greatly increasing efficiencies on projects such as pipelines and wind farms.

2006: Taking bulk modular
MD&B is developing a proprietary small capacity, portable parking enabling economical bulk deliveries of energy markets.

2010: Employee Ownership Tops 30%
Despite the company's success, the business faced challenges. The company hit the milestone of one million dollars in revenue.

2012: Growth, Traction & Expansion
Over the past five years, MD&B has experienced accelerated traction in several areas, from service expansion of the Mid-Atlantic region, to growth in the Common Cause initiative, and advancement of its Leadership Development Programs, transforming into the next generation of leaders.

2016: Today
MD&B celebrates 50 years of safety, success and growth in the drilling and rock blasting industry.