

# Pipe lifting a breeze with new vacuum lifters

Vacuum pipe lifters are quickly becoming the pipeline industry's preferred method of moving, placing and relocating lengths of pipe, with German-based company Schoenbeck Plant and Machine Techniques being at the forefront of this technology.

**W**ith class-leading engineering and design, Schoenbeck has taken a giant leap forward in positioning itself as a key market player in the pipeline industry, not only in Australia, but also abroad.

With 35 years of experience, the Schoenbeck company has successfully designed, engineered and installed specialised machinery for many industrial sectors worldwide. Having dipped their hands in almost every major pipeline industry around the globe, they specialise in lifting equipment for the oil, gas and water pipelines. Today, Schoenbeck manufactures and markets its own state-of-the-art vacuum pipe lifters, with 8,000 kg, 12,000 kg and 16,000 kg lifting capacities for both internal (electric-powered) and external (diesel-powered) applications. This series of vacuum lifters are known as the ELiTE<sup>®</sup> vacuum pipe lifters and are capable of lifting pipes between 6 and 24 m in length.



The ELiTE vacuum pipe lifter is a new vacuum pipe lifting concept, capable of operating in some of the world's most inhospitable environments. The simple design and engineering of these lifters enables staff to quickly and easily obtain a sound understanding of the equipment, reducing equipment downtime, which is often caused by operator error.

Noting that their machines are being used in dangerous environments, safety is a key concern for Schoenbeck when designing pipe lifting equipment. Schoenbeck have taken ELiTE and provided it with

leading safety features that help to minimise the risk associated with operating heavy lifting machinery.

Catering to a wide range of consumers needs, Schoenbeck offers a wide range of additional features along with their ELiTE vacuum lifting products. The ELiTE vacuum pipe lifter can be supplied with a variable type suction pad, which allows the operator to lift pipes of various diameters with the same suction pad. This reduces the need for multiple pads and helps reduce the cost, storage and servicing needs of the equipment.





The option of wireless remote controls provides the users with total freedom when handling and operating their vacuum pipe lifters. From this, the operator can easily power up/down the machine and activate/deactivate the suction of a pipe.

In order to have the most versatile vacuum pipe lifter on the market, Schoenbeck and EliTE offer a new multi-excavator yoke, which comes fully equipped with a hydraulic rotator and oscillation brake. The multi-excavator yoke is fully adjustable and will enable operators to connect the EliTE vacuum pipe lifter to almost any excavator available on the market, regardless of model or size.

In mid-2007, the Schoenbeck company expanded its current service and

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distribution network to the Australasian region by awarding Anode Engineering the exclusive right to market and service the EliTE vacuum pipe lifter in Australia, New Zealand and surrounding regions. Anode Engineering offers competitive rental and purchasing packages on the EliTE vacuum pipe lifters and additional accessories.

Given the considerable growth of the Australian pipeline industry and the highly challenging nature of upcoming

pipe installations, the need for world class products to help the industry lift pipes has never been so apparent. Schoenbeck's range of EliTE vacuum pipe lifting products, which have proved their strength and versatility in even the most hospitable environments, are well-placed to fulfil these needs.

If you are interested in the EliTE range of vacuum lifters, please contact Anode Engineering on their details below.

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VACUUM PIPE LIFTER

**SCHOENBECK**  
plant and machine techniques

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POWERFUL - PRECISE - RELIABLE

Schoenbeck now offer the EliTE vacuum pipe lifter to Australia and its surrounding regions through their distributor Anode Engineering. With their combined experience Anode Engineering and Schoenbeck provide class leading products, service and after market solutions for all your pipe lifting needs.

For purchase or rentals, contact Anode Engineering today!  
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