

GARRETT COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL METAL DETECTOR INSTALLATION AT OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES

Garrett Metal Detectors Supplies, Installs and Monitors Metal Detectors in Torino, Italy

GARLAND, Texas - February 14, 2006 - Garrett Metal Detectors, the Official Supplier of Metal Detectors for the 2006 Olympic Winter Games, recently completed a successful installation of walk-through and hand-held metal detectors at Olympic venues throughout Torino, Italy. The installation included 450 PD 6500i walk-through and 900 SuperScanner hand-held metal detectors, with additional detectors reserved for spares. Garrett Metal Detectors is the global leader of walk-through and hand-held metal detector products and training.

“Garrett was awarded the 2006 Olympic Winter Games Official Supplier of Metal Detectors contract early last year,” states Robert Podhrasky, Sr. VP and Director of Engineering for Garrett Metal Detectors. “We began building our walk-through metal detectors for this event in our Garland manufacturing plant in August 2005. By October 2005, we started shipping our metal detectors to Italy for installation. Currently we have metal detectors set up at over 50 Olympic sites in and surrounding the city of Torino, the Olympic Village, and mountain venues.”



Three pre-test events were held between early 2004, and February 8, 2006, to ensure the proper training and planning were in place. Installation at all Olympic venues was completed in late January 2006. During the course of the Games, nine Garrett engineers and technicians, along with the Company’s Italian representatives will be on hand to help monitor and provide technical assistance for the walk-through metal detectors.

“We’ve been supporting the Olympic Games since 1984,” adds Podhrasky. “In fact, that year was the first that a comprehensive metal detector checkpoint installation was used for security measures taken during an Olympic Games event. The ‘84 installation, which consisted of 60 walk-through and 120 hand-held Garrett metal detectors, was prompted by the 1972 Olympic Games terrorist attacks in Munich. Since that time we’ve been the primary supplier of walk-through and hand-held metal detectors for the Olympic Games. Torino marks the 8th Olympic metal detector installation for our Company.”

Garrett also provided metal detector checkpoint training to Torino police forces and the Torino Olympic Organizing Committee (TO-ROC) officials. Training included how to achieve optimum throughput through effective walk-through pacing practices and proper hand-held scanning techniques.

Garrett’s PD 6500i walk-through metal detector, which is used in select airports across the US, offers exclusive multiple target pin-pointing with 33 distinct zones for full target coverage on the left, center and right side of the body from head to toe. It is also designed to withstand extreme cold temperatures, from -4°F (-20°C), that are typical during the Olympic Winter Games.

The SuperScanner is possibly the most recognized hand-held metal detector in the world and has led the industry for over 20 years. It is designed to detect a medium sized pistol from 9”; large knife from 6”; razor blade and box cutter from 3”; foil-wrapped drugs and tiny jewelry from 1”.

Garrett Metal Detectors has supplied walk-through and/or hand-held metal detectors to the following Olympic Games: Los Angeles, California, USA; Seoul, Korea; Barcelona, Spain; Atlanta, Georgia, USA; Nagano, Japan; Sydney, Australia, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA; Athens, Greece; and Torino, Italy.

The Company has submitted proposals for the 2008 Beijing, China, and 2010 Vancouver, Canada, Olympic Games.

About Garrett Metal Detectors

Garrett Metal Detectors is the global leader in the research, development and manufacture of hobby and security-related metal detection products and accessories. Garrett is International Standards Organization (ISO) 9001:2000 certified. For a complete listing of Garrett Metal Detectors’ products and services visit www.garrett.com or contact Mr. Vaughan Garrett at 972.494.6151.