PRODUCT REVIEW

New ice melters protect against corrosion



IMC Vigoro, maker of Safe Step brand ice melter, offers two premium formulations for what the company calls "unprecedented protection against the damaging effects of refreezing and corrosion."

Safe Step Plus 20 and Safe Step Ultra 100 are

formulated with calcium magnesium acetate (CMA), a biodegradable chemical deicer first identified by the U.S.

Federal Highway Administration as an environmentally sound, low-corrosive alternative to rock salt.

IMC Vigoro reports that these Safe Step formulas are the only commerciallyavailable granular ice melter products to include CMA at effective concentration levels.

Safe Step Plus 20, a potassium chloride-based ice melter, is blended with a 20 percent concentration of CMA, for effective ice melting capability below 0° F, and corrosion reduction of 70 to 80 percent over rock salt. Safe Step Ultra 100 contains 100 percent CMA. According to the company it will not harm vegetation or drinking water supplies.

For more information on Safe Step products, call IMC Vigoro at (941) 294-2567 and mention LAND-SCAPE MANAGEMENT, or Circle No. 292

Four deicers for upcoming winter

Cargill makes four different deicers for different weather conditions.

Magna Melt is a magnesium chloride-based deicer that melts in temperatures up to -26° F. Dyna Melt is solid sodium chloride and magnesium chloride combined with a powerful corrosion inhibitor that melts up to 0° F. Glacier Melt is crystalline solid sodium chloride combined with magnesium chloride that leaves no residue and melts below 0° F. Winter Melt's screened crystals of sodium chloride melt best above 5° F.

More information can be obtained by calling (612) 742-6000; say you saw it here, or Circle 293

Easy way to lay mulch

Rexius Forest By Products has a new truck-powered, remotecontrolled material blowing system called the Express Blower. Developed for landscaping and erosion control, the system



can blow any organic material up to 35 or 40 lbs. per cu. ft. with a particle size of approximately 3 inches and less. This includes decorative bark, sawdust, wood shavings, compost materials and wood mulch. Rate of application is 55 cu. yds. per hour. A 340-foot hose is included with the blower.

To learn more about Rexius products, phone (800) 285-7227 and say you saw it in LM, or

Circle 294

Metal buttons can serve as mini database to track production

A Touch Memory information Button (TMiB) from Agricultural Data Systems that can be attached to virtually any object can provide users with mobile databases.

In the golf/landscape industry, the buttons are being used to track time and attendance of workers, track total time on individual tasks, track vehicle and tool maintenance, and schedule



future preventive maintenance, track work in progress, and track route efficiency.

Working in conjunction with the TMiB is the TouchProbe data collector (shown in photo), which can read information from, or write to the buttons. It is available with either 32K or 128K of internal memory.

For more information, phone (714) 363-5353 and mention LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT, or Gride 295



No salt in this melter

Melt Man Plus is a revolutionary new ice-melting product that contains no rock salt, yet quickly melts snow and ice at temperatures below 0° F.

A combination of three proven, fast-working ingredients, Melt Man Plus comes in 18- and 40-lb. bags. The product is marketed by Lange-Stegmann.

Want more information? Phone (314) 241-9531 and mention LM, or

Circle 296

Good on slopes

The exclusive patented design of the Kut-Kwick SlopeMaster allows safe mowing on slopes of up to 40 degrees, the company says.

This extra-heavy-duty commercial mower traverses and turns on the slope for efficiency and to prevent erosion, Kut-Kwick officials contend.

The mower is equipped with a 24 hp engine and a choice of 60- or 72-inch deck.

To learn more, phone (800) 248-5945 and tell them you saw it here, or

Circle 297



Compact snowblower moves 37 tons/hr.

The HS622TA is the newest addition to Honda's self-propelled snowblower line. Powered by a Honda 5.5 hp OHV commercial-grade engine, the compact twostage machine offers a 22inch snow removal path, track drive, two forward speeds and reverse all-gear transmission.

The chute adjusts easily and will discharge up to 37 tons per hour to a maximum distance of 46 ft. Also standard is three-position height adjustment. A 12-volt, 50watt light kit is also available. For additional informa-

tion: phone (770) 497-6000 and mention LM, or Circle 305

Control rootzone temperatures

The BioTherm TurfTemp heating turf system is becoming more popular at golf courses nationwide. Its all-inclusive Heat Module Enclosure creates the optimum rootzone temperature and heating efficiency, according to BioTherm Hydronic of Petaluma, Calif.

For more information, phone (800) 438-4328 and mention LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT, or

Circle 298

Manage now available in Calif.

Manage herbicide has received regulatory approval in California, so it is now approved for all major U.S. turf markets. Manage selectively controls purple and yellow nutsedge in warm- and cool-season turfgrasses.

For more information, phone (314) 694-2789 and tell them you saw it in LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT, or

Circle 299

Handle cold temps, hard snow

Husqvarna Forest & Garden's model ST926EC snow thrower is built to withstand some of the coldest conditions and to power through the hardest packed snow.



The dual-stage snow thrower has a

9 hp engine, a clearing width of 26 inches and a Shift-on-the-Go drive system. Besides a remote control chute deflector, the ST926EC also has a light kit, making snow removal as easy at night as during the day.

For more info, phone (704) 597-5000 and say you saw it in LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT, or

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