

Simplify Home Improvement With Two Tools In One

(NAPSA)—For many Americans, now is the perfect time for interior home improvement. To help, a major power tool company has matched a drill/driver with other commonly used tools like a stud-finder or drill bit index as a natural partner to simplify common household projects.

Consumer research indicates that one of the most commonly used items with a cordless drill is a stud-finder—a tool used to find studs hidden behind finished drywall. Based on that need. Skil designed its cordless drill with a "slide in" area on top to house a detachable stud-finder. This feature not only saves the consumer from having to purchase a separate stud-finder, but also keeps the two products together for easy access and use. The Skil Stud Finder Drill Driver system has been called the perfect partner for home improvement projects like hanging heavy pictures or mirrors, building shelves or any proiect that involves drilling into a stud.

"The new cordless drills are designed to help solve common Do-It-Yourselfer challenges," said Tim LeBeau, Skil cordless product manager. "By linking the studfinder with the drill, adding a keyless chuck and developing an ergonomic soft grip handle, we are not only improving, but also sim-



plifying the home improvement process."

The new drills incorporate a detachable stud-finder, a six-position clutch, 3/8" keyless chuck and an ergonomically designed soft grip handle. The new cordless drills are available in 12-volt, 14.4-volt and 18-volt versions to fit just about any Do-It-Your-selfer's need.

Additional detachable accessories, such as a drill-bit index that allows a Do-It-Yourselfer to easily identify screw and drill bit sizes, will also be available on select cordless drills. Skil plans to launch other detachable accessories for its drills in the future to allow Do-It-Yourselfers to mix and match accessories to suit their specific project needs.

The drill is available nationwide in home improvement stores.