

## Advanced Equipment Simulators drive business improvement for Downer EDI Mining

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Downer EDI Mining has exclusively chosen Immersive Technologies' Advanced Equipment (AE) Simulators to support their "Back to Basics" training program at sites located in Western Australia, New South Wales and Queensland.

The AE Simulators produced by Immersive Technologies are globally recognized as the leading simulators for the mining and earthmoving industries, used extensively to increase safety, efficiency and profitability.

The Immersive Technologies training equipment will primarily be used to drive business improvement, train new operators and improve the machine operating skills of existing operators. Downer EDI's key aims were to manage costs more efficiently and effectively, and upskill existing operators whilst also reducing the impact of operator incidents on the business.

In addition to 3 transportable Simulators, Downer EDI also purchased 7 Conversion Kits® covering Caterpillar 785C, 789C, 793C truck with Vims, Komatsu 930E truck, Terex RH 340 excavator, and Hitachi EX 2500 excavator, and Trainer *Advantage*™ Level 4.

Immersive Operator Training (a division of Immersive Technologies) will deliver the Trainer *Advantage*™ Level 4 program which is focused on the development, implementation and evaluation of training programs in support of site operating performance objectives.

According to Damien O'Reilly, Chief Executive Officer of Downer EDI Mining, the company's decision to purchase the simulators was based predominantly on two considerations: Downer EDI Mining's commitment to Zero Harm and its aim to provide clients with superior service.

"The simulators enable us to train our operators to respond to emergency situations without putting them at risk by exposing them to real-life emergencies, and the simulator's safe learning environment allows both unskilled and skilled employees to be trained much faster.

"In addition, we do not have to pull machinery out of production to train people, so our clients can be assured that we are providing skilled operators, while maintaining production rates and minimizing plant downtime."

Oye Obe, Executive VP Business Development, Immersive Technologies, says: "We are pleased to support Downer EDI Mining. There are now more than ten mining contractors that collectively have over 40 Immersive Technologies simulator modules in Australia, Canada, Indonesia and New Zealand. These companies are well positioned to continuously lower their operating costs, increase machine asset life, improve safety and limit risk and exposure in their contracts."

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### About Immersive Technologies

Immersive Technologies is the world's leading supplier of operator training simulators used in the mining and earthmoving industries. We have 450 simulator modules at 178 locations in 25 countries.

Our Advanced Equipment (AE) Simulators are considered vital to many of the world's leading mining companies. From the Congo to northern Canada, mines are increasing safety and reducing their cost per tonne by using our simulators daily to train and test their operators.

We have exclusive licensing and technical information alliances with the leading Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM), including: Bucyrus, Caterpillar, Hitachi, Komatsu and Liebherr.

Our customer support offices are located in Perth and Brisbane Australia, Salt Lake City USA, Johannesburg South Africa, and Santiago Chile.

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