

## Komatsu Mining Germany

*Bauma, April 2010* - Within the Komatsu group, Komatsu Mining Germany GmbH (KMG) produces super large hydraulic mining excavators with service weights ranging from 250t up to 750t. The manufacturing plant is located close to the city of Düsseldorf in Germany, and covers an area of 110.000 m<sup>2</sup>.

Since 1980, KMG has manufactured over 700 mining shovels larger than 150t that provide unrivalled performance in a wide variety of mining applications and environments. The employees at KMG, and their commitment to quality and reliability, are one of the key reasons for this success. Their passion for the product, and their desire to confront day to day challenges head-on, is reflected in the overall quality of the products and in the factory's performance. As a result, KMG looks forward to satisfying the present and future needs of the mining industry with high quality and intelligent solutions, which will contribute to the success of mining operations around the globe.

Today, KMG produces four basic models (PC 3000, PC 4000, PC 5500 and PC 8000), which can be equipped with a wide range of options. KMG assists the customer during the decision making process by offering the best available solutions to match the requirements of existing fleets. These decisions mostly relate to the power train and to the attachments. KMG supplies diesel or electric driven excavators with backhoe or front shovel attachments and bucket sizes according to the loose density of the material and the lifting capacity of each model. All buckets are fitted with wear packages that correspond to the abrasiveness of the material and are selected thanks to the vast experience of the Application Engineering department's staff.

The mining market remains strong. In order to cover the increased demand for mining industry equipment, Komatsu has established a global manufacturing strategy to increase production capacities. A new plant was established in Japan to predominantly support Asian and Australian markets with the additional production of PC3000 and PC4000 machines. Furthermore KMG is investing in new developments, factory infrastructures and a new building for the additional production of PC5500 and PC8000 models.

Overall, the Komatsu Mining Team is committed to a partnership with global mining industries as a supplier of first class mining equipment, including hydraulic shovels, dump trucks, wheel-loaders, dozers, graders and mine management systems. They focus on customer support with quality & reliability in operation, and target more ton/hour at less cost /ton.

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Figure 1: PC 8000 working in the Canadian oil sands

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