

Demolition company acquires new excavators

Newly established mechanical and conventional demolition company Turco Demolition has bought three new excavators from distributor and maintenance service provider for Hyundai earthmoving equipment High Power Equipment (HPE) Africa.

The company, which was established in 2010, acquired two 20 t Hyundai R210LC-7 excavators, and a 50 t Hyundai R500LC-7

excavator from HPE, in June.

Turco Demolition CEO **Marius Coetzee** says the company is impressed with the performance of the first two R210LC-7 excavators, which it acquired from HPE in May last year, and, as a result, the company decided to buy more of the equipment.

Coetzee notes that the Hyundai R500LC-7 has recently dismantled four large silos at a steel-processing plant, using an attached

Turco Demolition at a Glance

Fochville-based Turco Demolition employs 120 staff members, and was formed as a result of a merger between Hucor Demolition and MC Demolishing.

crusher bucket from global jaw-action bucket crusher producer MB.

"The R500LC-7 excavator dismantled more than 5 000 t of concrete in 48 hours. This good turnaround time has enabled us to turn this stressful and high-risk task into an efficient, effective and safe project," he says.

He notes that by attaching the MB crusher bucket straight to the excavator, the company saved on overhead costs. "The MB crusher bucket effectively crushed the concrete and rubble straight onto the dump truck. This reduced overall transport costs to and from the site, and the time and labour involved in loading the concrete from the excavator onto the dump truck," adds Coetzee.

HPE Africa is the sole South African distributor of the MD crusher bucket.

In addition, HPE Africa provided all excavator operators with an orientation course to ensure that they are familiar with the machine and competent to operate it.

Meanwhile, the company reports that it was challenging to enter the market. "Despite its comprehensive collective industry experience, Turco Demolition, as a brand, is still relatively unknown in South Africa," says Coetzee.

However, he adds that the company obtained accreditation from the National Occupational Safety Association (Nosa) in March.

"Obtaining Nosa accreditation proves that we are dedicated and committed to all aspects of safety in the workplace," he says.



HYUNDAI R500LC-7

The 50 t Hyundai R500LC-7 excavator is Turco Demolition's biggest machine