

## Keyano College meet industry demands with Immersive Technologies training simulators

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Canadian based education institute, Keyano College, has expanded the capacity of its mining operator training program with the acquisition of additional simulators from Immersive Technologies.

Responding to direct industry requests for additional mining graduates and the forecasted requirement for over 1,000 new equipment operators, Keyano College took the proactive step to significantly increase its capacity to deliver comprehensive and effective equipment training programs utilising the world's leading earthmoving training simulators.

Commissioned in February 2010, the college's latest simulator package includes five simulators, together with five modular 'Conversion Kits', simulating a range of Caterpillar and Komatsu haul truck models.



*Komatsu 930E Haul Truck Conversion Kit®*

Keyano College Program Coordinator, Janet Somerville said "We had been providing the oil sands companies with 72 graduates a year. With these additional simulators we now have the ability to double our graduate numbers to 150 whilst also increasing students' simulator based training time to approximately 20 hours, whereas before they were only getting around 8 hours."

Immersive Technologies Regional Business Development Manager, Kim Lundgreen said "Keyano College is actively responding to the growing operator demands of the oil sands industry. This new simulation based capacity will deliver significant training and financial benefits to the college, whilst also supporting the wider mining industry."

Immersive Technologies' simulators are unique in that they utilize proprietary machine technical information provided exclusively to Immersive Technologies from the leading Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) including Caterpillar, Hitachi, Komatsu, Liebherr and P&H MinePro. These OEMs have chosen to work exclusively with Immersive Technologies for the development of advanced training simulators to ensure their equipment is simulated correctly.

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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. It has 480 advanced mining equipment simulator modules in 28 countries.

Advanced Equipment (AE) Simulators are considered vital to many of the world's leading mining companies such as BHP Billiton, VALE and Rio Tinto. From the Congo to northern Canada, mines are increasing safety and reducing their cost per tonne by using Immersive Technologies' simulators daily to train and test their operators.

Immersive Technologies has exclusive licensing and technical information alliances with the leading Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM), including: Caterpillar, Hitachi, Komatsu, Liebherr and P&H MinePro.

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

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