



# DGI Trading's Generous Donation Enhances Mines Rescue Training Capabilities

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Mines Rescue has received a significant boost to its training capabilities thanks to a generous donation from DGI Trading. The donation, a refurbished truck cab, has been praised for its exceptional quality and the positive impact it will have on training emergency responders.

Matt Enright, Regional Manager Hunter Valley Mines Rescue, expressed his gratitude towards DGI Trading. "On behalf of Mines Rescue, this piece of equipment is very much appreciated and has exceeded our expectations," he said.

DGI Trading, a global leader in sourcing, recycling, and remarketing of OEM mining machinery and components, is proud to support the work of Mines Rescue.

Craig Smith, Operations Manager at DGI Trading, trained for 15 years as an Emergency Response Team member at the Hunter Valley Mines Rescue station, and understands firsthand the value of realistic training equipment.

"When Brad [McGrath, Mines Rescue Training Officer] contacted me to explain that they were looking for an old truck cab that could be used for training purposes, I knew exactly how it would be used and the importance of it being as real as what the guys on site would be using," he said.

Craig emphasised DGI Trading's commitment to quality and integrity, noting, "We stand behind the quality and integrity of our products so it made sense for us to refurbish the cab just as we would for our other customers – the results speak for themselves in that the cab came from an actual haul truck and now looks as good as new."

The newly refurbished cab has already attracted significant attention from those attending training sessions at the station. Trainees have noted that the cab includes many of the modern features of a haul truck, down to the buttons and air conditioning vent.

Matt highlighted the practical benefits of the new addition. "The addition of the cab to our training facilities has added that something extra to how we will train our surface mines' emergency responders. We will locate the cab on our mezzanine floor to replicate a haul truck and use that platform to train, for example, where the driver may be trapped in the cab and the

team need to safely extricate the driver and then get them safely to the ground from the truck deck."

The enhanced training capabilities are expected to significantly improve the preparedness and effectiveness of emergency responders in the region.

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Above: Craig Smith with Brad McGrath and Matt Enright, in front of the 'new' truck cab.

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We operate a Specialised Health and Safety Scheme that provides an integrated suite of services aimed at preventing injury and illness in the workplace. These services help employers to identify, assess, monitor and control many risks inherent in the NSW coal mining industry.

Our preventative and responsive services in the areas of occupational health and safety, workers compensation, mines rescue and training help to deliver on our purpose 'to protect'.

We are jointly owned by two shareholders, the NSW Minerals Council and the Mining and Energy Union (MEU). Our purpose, vision and values are aligned to focus on the safety and health of our industry and its workers.

**Mines Rescue's** primary role is to provide underground incident response but is also a Registered Training Organisation (RTO), supporting industry through the provision of essential safety training. While many courses are designed specifically for the mining industry, Mines Rescue's courses also deliver courses for general industry and community groups such as confined space training and first aid.

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