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**Grove GMK5250L makes its Southern Africa debut at world’s richest diamond mine**

Officials at Jwaneng diamond mine have taken delivery of the mine’s first 250 t Grove GMK5250L all-terrain crane. Not only is this model crane a first for the Botswana-based mine, it’s also the first ever GMK5250L crane to be delivered in Southern Africa.

The GMK5250L—which boasts the highest capacity and best load charts in its class­­—will take up residence at the world’s richest diamond mine, where it will be used for mining equipment maintenance throughout its lifecycle.

The mine chose the crane for its versatile five-axle maneuverability, self-rigging auxiliary hoist and 21.3 m hydraulic swing-away jib. Also, the Grove GMK5250L is the first all-terrain crane to utilize a VIAB turbo clutch and integrated retarder, which enables wear-free starting and breaking, reduces fuel consumption and avoids overheating and burning, making it ideal for use in the high temperatures of the mine.

In addition to the capabilities of the Grove GMK5250L and the reliability of its existing Grove fleet, mining officials noted that the dedicated service and support provided by Southern Africa’s only licensed Grove crane dealer, CLT (Crane Load Technology), as a key reason for the sale.

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