



Goodbye tension, Hello pension!

RICHARD NEVILLE COOK, TKSteelcom MD - IS RETIRING
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Goodbye tension, Hello pension! is probably the best description for the hardworking Richard who certainly deserves a break after a long and successful career spanning over 25 years. Richard Neville Cook, will retire at the end of June 2009, calling it a bittersweet farewell.

Richard started STEELCOM Pty Ltd in 1983. Formerly trading as PANZOS HOLDINGS PTY LTD, the company begun with the hire and sell of sheet piles and various kinds of vibros. To this day, ThyssenKrupp Steelcom continues to make piling easy to customers by introducing faster and more reliable piling equipment. Over the years, Steelcom has represented various international and worldwide known manufacturers of Steel sheet pile and piling equipments in the Oceania region. Vibro and impact hammers which has served as a benchmark in the Australian piling industry.

Richard is a classic Aussie family business success story, a man who built his company based on hard work and good ideas.

Richard earned his Bachelor's degree in Accountancy from the Macquarie University. He was a member of Piling & Foundation Specialist Federation and several golfing associations.

Richard won't miss the long hours and late-night calls that characterized the first years of his career. What Richard will miss most is the relationship he has built with his staff and clients while making the right solutions for each customer's specifications and piling requirements.

The last 25 years has brought a lot of change to the piling industry, and ThyssenKrupp Steelcom is proud to have been evolving along with the industry as a whole. We thank Richard for his very significant contribution to Steelcom from the very beginning and for his extensive experience and industry knowledge which has been of crucial importance to the company and for what it is today.

Richard is assured that he is leaving the company in good hands. Joseph Commins, presently General Manager, and Byung-Yong Jang, Technical Sales Manager, will succeed Richard as managing directors of ThyssenKrupp Steelcom Australia/NZ. Richard's successors will inherit a company well placed to embark on the next phase as it pursues strategic growth opportunities in new markets in the Aust/NZ piling, trench/shoring industries.

Richard will officially retire on June 30th 2009. He plans to spend his time farming and to fully enjoy sailing and playing golf. ☺

The management and staff of ThyssenKrupp AG, and ThyssenKrupp Steelcom (AU and NZ) wishes Richard all the best!

The challenge of retirement is how to spend time without spending money. ~Author Unknown





InFocus: Muller MS 24 Vibro Hammer

Client: Geelong Ports
Contractor McConnell Dowell
Sub-Contractor : KV Johnson Construction
Location: North Geelong VIC

Geelong Port is the largest regional port in Victoria and continues to experience stable trade growth. McConnell Dowell, a world-class Australian based engineering, construction, building and maintenance company was the main contractor for the project.

ThyssenKrupp Steelcom supplied the subcontractor KV Johnson, a **Muller MS-24 HFV** to be used at the Corio Quay in Geelong Port VIC. The requirements for the vibro hammer was to drive dolphin piles which utilized single jaw MS180 (180tonne clamp pressure) weighing 1250kg and double jaws MS100 (100 tonne per clamp) at 750kg each.

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Job Report:

TieBars17 MHS

Project: Pluto LNG Project
Client: Woodside
Contractor : Laing O' Rourke
Location: N-W of Karratha WA

The Pluto LNG (liquified natural gas) project is set to become the fastest developed LNG project to the production of first gas in late 2010.

The \$12 billion project will process gas from the Pluto and Xena gas fields, located in the Carnarvon Basin about 190km north-west of Karratha, WA.

ThyssenKrupp Steelcom supplied Laing O' Rourke with the required Macalloy 17MHS tie bars and accessories delivered to Dampier.

Macalloy 17MHS is a fine grain steel with an exceptional blend of mechanical properties, combined with rolled threads providing a material with superior fatigue performance.

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The Trench Boxes, recently showcased at the ACE EXPO 2009, were among the featured products reporting good sales during and after the show.

Call Martin Cross on 0407 671 200 to discuss. []

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