

Tractor workshop opens at Eastvaal



At the opening of the Eastvaal Motors New Holland Tractor workshop were, from left: Mr Peter Askew (General Manager of New Holland South Africa), Mr Clive Blechman (Chief Executive Officer of Eastvaal Motors), Cllr Salome Sithole (Executive Mayor of eMalahleni) and Mr Paul Nkuna (CEO of Mineworker's Investment Company).

A brand new tractor workshop has been launched.

On Tuesday, August 16 Eastvaal Motors celebrated the opening of their new upgraded tractor repair facility in eMalahleni, which is the only New Holland approved workshop in Mpumalanga. The facility was formally opened by the Executive Mayor of eMalahleni, Cllr Salome Sithole.

Eastvaal Motors New Holland Tractor Workshop will service both agricultural and mining tractors, as well as New Holland construction vehicles. Eastvaal workshop is the only New Holland approved Original Equipment Manufactur-

er (OEM) facility in eMalahleni.

This new facility, built to the specifications of the mining and agricultural industries and offering cultural workmanship, is expected to offer significant value and service to local mines and farms.

The Chief Executive Officer of Eastvaal Motors, Mr Clive Blechman, noted that Eastvaal Motors has been serving the local mining and agriculture industry for 33 years in Mpumalanga, and was proud to be again reinvesting in eMalahleni.

"We have been servicing the community, farmers and mines, originally as the only Ford tractor

dealership, and then when Ford Agricultural was taken over by New Holland, we carried on being the only approved New Holland franchise," said Mr Blechman.

Mr Peter Askew, General Manager of New Holland South Africa, spoke highly of the workshop's appearance and thanked Mr Blechman for his efforts and commitment to setting up this prestigious workshop.

Mr Paul Nkuna, CEO of Mineworker's Investment Company, a broad-based BEE investment company which was established in 1995 by the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM), and which is

one of the Eastvaal Motor groups main shareholders, spoke on the importance of land reform, and expressed his hope for more growth in the agricultural sector and the emergence of more black farmers in the region.

After the speeches, the guests at the launch were entertained by Gerrie Pretorius, who is one of South Africa's leading Afrikaners

singers and a brand ambassador for Eastvaal Motors.

Eastvaal Motors is one of the largest distributors of motor vehicles and ancillary products in Mpumalanga and the Northwest Province. With 14 brands sold from eight locations, the company offers a wide range of vehicles from motorbikes and cars to tractors and trucks.

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