

Gallagher Aggregates chooses Bell ADTs for quarry extension project

Gallagher Aggregates Ltd has purchased two new Articulated Dump Trucks (ADTs) from Bell Equipment as part of an ongoing programme of investing in the latest and best plant and machinery for its aggregates operation.

The order follows the granting of planning permission for the extension of Hermitage Quarry in Maidstone. The investment programme was held back while the future of Hermitage Quarry was uncertain, but the planning permission, finally granted in 2013, has guaranteed at least another 25 years of production. With a secure future ahead of it, Gallagher wants to ensure that the quarry has the best and most up-to-date machinery available.

When the decision was made to replace two ADTs at its Hermitage Quarry, Gallagher didn't hesitate in going back to the supplier of its current ones, Bell Equipment. Having bought ADTs from Bell Equipment before, Gallagher knew that it always supplied good, reliable machines that could cope with the demands of a busy quarry.

Pat Gallagher, Chairman of the Gallagher Group, said: "Once we knew that the quarry had a long future ahead

of it, we could implement plans to invest in the best plant and machinery that we could. The old Bell ADTs have served us well over the last eight years so we knew immediately that we would go back to Bell Equipment to get our replacements. With Bell you know what you get – good, reliable trucks that won't let you down. The trucks will be worked hard with the new quarry extension and we know that they will live up to the challenge."

The machines in question are both Bell B50Ds – the largest available ADTs on the market, which remain unsurpassed in terms of payload. Designed and manufactured by Bell, they offer a robust, resilient performance as well as exceptional fuel efficiency, critical in hard-working quarry environments.

Commenting on the continuing good relationship with Gallagher Aggregates, Nick Learoyd, Managing Director of Bell Equipment UK, said: "There is no better sign of a satisfied customer than when they return for further machines. We're delighted that our ADTs continue to impress the Gallagher Group and that our technology will continue to play a vital role in production at Hermitage Quarry."

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