



# GET ensures big savings

Komatsu-supplied K VX Ground Engaging Tools (GET) has provided a Goulburn New South Wales-based quarrying operator with consistent over 4000-hour of service life, resulting in significant downtime and operational savings for their business.

Divall's Earthmoving and Bulk Haulage have fitted K VX GET to six of their Komatsu excavators, which are used to feed a fleet of mobile crushing plants.

Divall's workshop manager Tony Wright said the K VX product was perfectly suited to use with mobile crushing equipment as it greatly reduced the risk of GET falling off their excavators.

"K VX GET has excellent physical retention, meaning they stay on the bucket," he said.

"If a tooth or wear plate falls into one of the crushers, which can happen with other GET options, extensive damage is usually the result.

"We've never had any GET components come loose and enter a machine since having installed K VX GET," he said.

Divall have been a long-term custodian of the K VX product, first installing teeth to an excavator more than four years ago.

Prior to fitting K VX, other GET types were only achieving a service life of around 500 hours,

according to Divall.

As the K VX teeth are reversible, effectively doubling their service life, many of Divall's K VX-equipped machines are continually achieving GET service life in excess of 4000 hours.

Divall's operators have been equipped with the right training and tools to turn the K VX teeth themselves, reducing the need for specialist workshop staff to perform maintenance in the field.

Divall's have also fitted K VX base lips, which Mr Wright said work well with the K VX teeth and

provide long service life.

"K VX parts last a long time.

"They're a little more expensive to buy, but the whole-life costs are much lower as you don't have to change them as often.

"K VX saves downtime, which saves money," he said.

Divall's excavators are fitted with "M48" sized K VX, which is a standard hydraulic excavator lip and GET system designed for machines between 20 to 29 tonnes operating capacity.



**Hardworking:** K VX Ground Engaging Tools have worked consistently for over 4000 hours at a New South Wales site.