

**Timberland Equipment** acquired the product line from Timberjack and started producing the Minejack line of mine utility vehicles at its factory in Woodstock. The Minejack production was transferred to the Marcotte Mining location in Sudbury, Ontario, after Timberland acquired the business in 1995. In 2020, Marcotte amalgamated with Timberland Equipment and the manufacturing of the Minejack product line returned to its roots in Woodstock.

“Some of the elements that make Timberland unique is that we are willing to take on projects other equipment providers refuse to or can’t,” Troy Smith, Business Development Manager at Timberland Equipment, says. “We have the experience to make new equipment happen, while relying on our proven technology.”

Timberland supplies a full range of underground utility vehicles, all built on the original Minejack platform. Its expertise and strength truly add value to the customer when it supplies a meaningfully unique vehicle for the particular project or site needs, the company says. For example, the Ultra High Lift for working safely on those higher drifts; the 5-in-1 Multi Unit that allows true versatility, allowing multiple jobs to be carried out with one vehicle as opposed to multiple vehicles/equipment; the Hybrid-long boom, high capacity ANFO-loader; or its unique cassette system that is, the company says, safe and effective at increasing utilisation and



decreasing emissions for customers’ utility needs.

Smith added: “In addition to quality manufacture of new equipment, all Timberland mine products are backed by our renowned team of support technicians and engineers for repair, renewal and customisation services.”

**Making a difference through equipment selection**

**Getman** says its purpose-built underground mining machines are designed to keep operations running smoothly, reducing downtime and maximising productivity.

“This mining-specific design ensures they are not merely retrofitted from other industries but built from the ground up to meet the unique demands of underground environments,” it said.

*Getman’s A64 Scissor Lift provides a stable, elevated workspace for maintenance, infrastructure and ventilation, the company says*

“Trusted worldwide for their durability and longevity, Getman machines perform reliably even in the most extreme conditions. Prioritising safety and efficiency, each machine is designed with operators in mind, ensuring a secure and productive mining operation.”

The company’s line of utility support and service machines offer rugged reliability and ease of use, it added. The A64 Scissor Lift, for example, provides a stable, elevated workspace for maintenance, infrastructure and ventilation, enhancing safety and efficiency. Available in standard and 10,000 lb capacity, this work

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platform ensures secure access to high-reach areas.

Cranes and flatdecks based off the same carrier machine support heavy lifting and precision tasks, aiding maintenance and assembly underground. And A64 Service Machines deliver essential fuel, lubrication and mechanical maintenance services, reducing costly downtime and keeping underground fleets operational.

The Telehandler offers flexibility, power and agility, featuring an extendable telescopic boom and excellent visibility for handling materials in confined spaces, Getman says. The Personnel Carrier enhances underground logistics by safely transporting crews with options for 16- and 23-person capacities. Finally, the A64 Cassette Handler provides a versatile solution for multi-task operations, using interchangeable cassettes for fuel, lubrication, water, flatbeds and more.

The company concluded: "All Getman utility equipment is built on the proven A64 product platform - designed from the ground up for mining. This purpose-built foundation ensures exceptional durability, ease of service and high parts commonality across models, reducing maintenance complexity and streamlining operations. By engineering our machines specifically for underground environments, we deliver equipment that meets the real-world demands of mining, maximising performance and reliability where it matters most."

### Propel performance, reduce emissions

**J&S Manufacturing**, a Walden Company, is looking to differentiate its utility vehicle offering by deploying Volvo Penta's Tier 4 Final/Stage V dual-certification engines.

The engines are designed to contribute to reduced carbon emissions during operation and support improved environmental management. They will be supported by distribution partner Wajax, offering local resources and technical assistance for all Volvo Penta product and service needs.

"We're thrilled to bring this partnership to the industry, combining Volvo Penta's cutting-edge technology with our proven expertise in delivering tailored solutions for mining customers," Jeff Portelance, Director of Business Development at The Walden Group, said. "Joined with Wajax as a trusted industry distributor, we're well-positioned to drive major advancements in efficiency, sustainability and safety across mining operations."

Volvo Penta's engines are, the company says, optimised for mining applications and certified by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and CanmetMINING, government agencies for the US and Canada that establish and enforce health, safety and sustainability standards for the mining industry. In addition, the Ds dual-certification engines are engineered to meet stringent EPA Tier 4 Final and EU Stage V standards and support the reduction of harmful emissions during operations, Volvo Penta added. When integrated into J&S's power equipment, these engine solutions are designed to enhance fuel efficiency and durability, leading to



*J&S Manufacturing has already received its first orders for a new Volvo Penta-powered boom truck and scissor lift truck*

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