

PRODUCT FOCUS: MULTI TASKER 1200

THE CUSTOMER

In 1981, Spoornet in South Africa was the world's first railway company that used a railway crane with telescopic boom. Today, Spoornet is called Transnet Rail Engineering and has ordered our Multi Tasker 1200 N, the strongest railway crane that has ever been built for a 1065-millimetre track.

THE TASK

Until now, Transnet Rail Engineering had been operating seven telescopic cranes on its entire network. There are now many new tracks that allow heavier axle loads. As a result, heavier locomotives and wagons are in service. The old cranes cannot handle these new heavy weights. This is the perfect environment for the two Multi Tasker 1.200 N which are an excellent option for heavy-duty routes.

THE CRANE

Supplying the two Multi Tasker 1.200 N marks Kirow's entry into the South-African market. The two cranes were shipped to Durban to start with and then coupled with the local match wagons. In the second quarter of 2012 both cranes were put into operation and later delivered to depots in Krugersdorp and Richards Bay. Ever since, the two Multi Tasker have been ready for rescue work.

WHAT THE DESIGNER SAYS

,For the first time ever, we have been able to develop a crane with such a high loading torque for a 1065-millimetre track. Thanks to their higher lifting capacities, the Multi Tasker of the 1200 series are ideally suited for the construction of switch points and bridges but also for accident service. Furthermore, the 1200 N stands out with 160 tonnes and eight metres' outreach and a maximum working radius of 23 metres.'

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