# **Media Release**

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## GROWING MANUFACTURING JOBS IN CRANBOURNE

A Chilean-based international designer and manufacturer of mining equipment has chosen Cranbourne for its new state-of-the-art manufacturing facility and global headquarters in a move that will create up to 100 new highly skilled jobs.

Minister for Economic Development Tim Pallas welcomed the decision by Conymet Duratray International to grow its current Victorian footprint by onshoring overseas manufacturing functions and establishing a new innovation division in West Cranbourne.

The company intends to draw on Victoria's highly skilled workforce and the State's innovation, research and development capabilities, to develop new specialties in the areas of mining data analytics, Internet of Things, machine learning as well as advanced composite materials for its product line.

Conymet Duratray will also benefit from Victoria's international logistics and distribution network to service its key export markets, the State's growing and dynamic mining equipment, technology and services sector.

Founded in 1974, Conymet Duratray specialises in the design and manufacturing of mining truck trays, spare parts, steel and rubber components for haulage equipment for the mining industry.

The company operates facilities in Australia, Chile, the United States, South Africa and Russia and currently exports to more than 35 countries across five continents.

Currently, there are more than 2,000 Duratray mining truck trays operating globally, ranging in size from 36 to 360 tonnes for all major truck manufacturers.

The company has been recognised in the Governor of Victoria Export Awards in 2010 and 2019 and was inducted to the Victorian Manufacturing Hall of Fame in 2015.

#### **Quotes attributable to Minister for Economic Development Tim Pallas**

"Conymet Duratray is relocating its global HQ to Victoria because of our highly skilled workforce, and our world-renowned capabilities in advanced manufacturing, innovation, and research and development."

"Attracting investment from companies such as Conymet Duratray will help us grow high-value jobs and boosts our economy."

### **Quote attributable to Member for Cranbourne Pauline Richards**

"This is fantastic news for jobs and investment in the skilled workforce and we warmly welcome Conymet Duratray in calling West Cranbourne home."

#### Quote attributable to Marcelo Medel, Managing Director, Conymet Duratray International

"We're excited to embark on this new innovation journey in Victoria. We're committed to supporting Victoria to become the mining tech hub of Australia, given its strengths in the METS, advanced manufacturing and technology sectors."

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