

Merford

Merford, the Netherlands, specialises in designing and producing high-quality operator cabins for STS cranes, RTGs/RMGs and straddle carriers. Over recent years they have further advanced their reputation with their Ergoseat, an ergonomical seat introduced to maximise the comfort, safety and efficiency of the crane driver. Ergoseat has been installed in many cranes built by ZPMC, China. One of Merford's latest projects with ZPMC involves a shipunloader for the Port of Esperance in Australia. The shipunloader will have a dual function and will therefore be fitted with two operator cabins – one for bulk handling and the other for container handling. In both cabins the driver must be able to operate in both modes, so the view, ergonomics and seat are vital. Merford has almost finished the engineering stage and is

now preparing the metal construction of the cabins. The crane has been ordered for BHP Billiton's Ravensthorpe Nickel Project, which will import 500,000 tonnes of prilled sulphur a year from Canada.



A dual function shipunloader for the Port of Esperance

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