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NEW CONTRACTS FOR AVENG GROUND ENGINEERING

Nine new contracts have provided Aveng Ground Engineering (formerly known as GEL) with a significant boost to its order book and reinforce the operation's burgeoning reputation as an industry leader in the installation of limited headroom piles.

At the new Vantage Apartments development in the Rosebank CBD, Aveng Ground Engineering's tender team netted the R10-million contract for lateral support and piling amid stiff competition from other contractors, reveals general manager Wim van Zyl. "This project entails the development of a 10-metre-deep basement directly against the neighbouring buildings, so it is a technically complicated job that needs to be delivered on a very tight programme," he states.

Aveng Ground Engineering will also be working against the clock to meet the challenging timeframe on its new contract at the Witwatersrand Gold Fields acid mine drainage facility near Springs. "Here we have been appointed by the CMC di Ravenna/PG Mavundla Joint Venture to install 1 800m² of temporary lateral support for the development of the new treatment plant's clarifiers," Van Zyl explains. He notes that the restricted working area will require seamless cooperation and coordination between the civils and bulk earthworks contractors.

Four fast track contracts awarded to Aveng Ground Engineering have recently been successfully completed and handed over to the clients, Van Zyl says. In Salvokop, Pretoria, a preliminary geotechnical investigation was undertaken and approximately 175 open hole auger piles were installed for Statistics South Africa's new head office development. This project was undertaken for the Dipalopalo Consortium. At the new Eagle Canyon shopping centre South of Johannesburg, the contractor installed 72 open hole auger piles for client Renico Construction (Pty) Ltd. Aveng Ground Engineering has also completed 136 micro piles for Lyncon Construction on the Longlake, 1st Avenue Warehouse Project in Modderfontein.

Aveng Ground Engineering was appointed by Lyncon Construction to install limited headroom micro piles for the upgrade of warehouse facilities for Davita Trading – also located South of Johannesburg. “Aveng Ground Engineering is making a name for itself as an industry leader in the installation of limited headroom piles, and this project followed close on the heels of our successful completion of the piling at the Women’s Living Heritage Monument,” Van Zyl notes.

Recently awarded projects include the piling for a new bridge at Van Zyl Spruit near Trompsburg, Giyani Bridge piling near Louis Trichardt and piling for the University of Mpumalanga, with further works to be negotiated.

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