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Rope access used for maintenance at 30-m-high chemical reactor

21 August 2019: When a major petrochemical producer in Mpumalanga recently had to carry out routine maintenance on a 30-m-high chemical reactor itself contained within a building, it opted for rope access for speedy ingress, as opposed to the traditional method of erecting an external scaffolding structure to allow access to the top of the building.

Due to the fact that the components of the chemical reactor are large and bulky, crantage is required to remove anything during repair work that needs to be replaced. "Our speciality is that, at short notice, we can go to site with a small rope-access team to open up sections of the roof. This allows for a mobile crane to be rigged and ready in order to be able to lift any components that need repairs or replacement up through the roof," Skyriders marketing manager **Mike Zinn** comments.

Not only is health and safety improved for the client, but Skyriders' rapid response allows for major time- and cost-savings as well. Such has been its success at the major petrochemical producer that Skyriders has been undertaking maintenance and repair work there for the past three years. "This is a clear reflection not only of our expertise and experience, but the major value that our turnkey solutions pose for large industrial clients," Zinn stresses.

Skyriders is able to offer such customers peace of mind that it has the proper safety measures and risk assessments in place to ensure that these projects run like clockwork. "A speedy and effective response is essential, as any downtime incurred can have a major impact not only on the entire plant, but ultimately on the client's bottom line as well," Zinn concludes.

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Skyriders (Pty) Ltd., established in 1988, is a leader in the South African rope access industry, providing cost- and time-saving solutions to clients in the power generation and petrochemical industries who require rope access aided inspection, NDT and maintenance work to be done in difficult to reach, high-up locations.

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