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SOUTH CAROLINA TECHNICAL TOUR



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Specialized **Tour**

South Carolina Technical Tour

October 16—19, 2017

- Oceana Gold
- Vulcan Materials
- Bridgestone Tire Plant
- Komatsu Plant
- Martin Marietta
- Argos
- Polydeck Screen Materials
- BMW Performance Driving Experience

Tours hosted by

Aggregate, Mining and Machine **Experts**



Oceana Gold - Haile

Monday, October 16

Our group flight departs Toronto non-stop to Charlotte, NC early Monday morning. Upon arrival, we'll board a bus and head south towards Kershaw, SC, stopping for lunch along the way. Once in Kershaw we will tour **Oceana Gold - Haile Gold Mine**. The site is expected to mine and extract 30.5 million tonnes at 2.06 g/t for 2 million ounces of gold reserves. This is your chance to tour the mine and get up close to a state of the art production process. After the tour we will head to our first hotel in the small town of Summerville, SC and enjoy a group dinner. (L, D)



Martin Marietta - Berkeley

Tuesday, October 17

With our longest day ahead of us, we start early with breakfast at the hotel before heading to Berkeley for our first tour at **Martin Marietta Berkeley Quarry**. The Berkeley Quarry extracts limestone by both blasting and utilizing a drag line. Product types sold include fine, base, course and rip rap. Get up close to the drag line and the Kelly Bar Drill. The trip then starts to wind back north towards Harleyville. Once there, we will visit **Argo's Harleyville** site which is home of the biggest vertical cement mill in South Carolina. The plant has a capacity of 950,000 mt Clinker and 2,500,000 mt Cement. After a quick lunch break, we head to **Bridgestone Off Road Tire Plant**. This massive facility opened in November 2014. It is the first Giant Off Road Radial Tire Plant in the US. The facility is over 1.5 million sqft. employing over 2,000 people. As day turns to night, we head to our hotel in downtown Columbia where you will enjoy the evening on your own. (B, L)



Bridgestone Off Road Tire Plant

Wednesday, October 18

It's an early start with a hot breakfast at the hotel before a short drive to our first site of the day, **Vulcan Materials**. Vulcan Columbia is in the heart of the city and just two short miles from the SC State House. Tour this unique site and see how they work successfully with all its neighbours. Afterwards, it's off to the small town of Newberry.

Wednesday, October 18 cont'd

Komatsu's Newberry Manufacturing Operation produces both a wheel loader assembly line and a fork lift assembly line. See how these machines are built from the parts they pick, assembly, inspection, adjustment, paint repair and confirmation. After a great morning of tours, we continue north for a once in a lifetime experience. Enjoy a delicious lunch and overview of your afternoon activity from the driving experts of the **BMW Performance Driving Experience Centre**. Race 6 different BMW vehicles on a closed track. Go head-to-head in M3's through a slalom race course. Defy gravity on the off-road site. Reach speeds of 150+MPH during a Hot Lap with professional drivers and check this off your bucket list! After some high speed games, we head to Greenville where you can explore the city and the fine cuisine it has to offer. (B, L)



Komatsu NMO



Vulcan Materials

Thursday, October 19

Our last day is another busy one. After a leisurely breakfast we head to **Vulcan Materials Pacolet**. The Pacolet site is based on a 9000 acre footprint and has approximately 400m tonnes of reserves. This site produces 1.5m tonnes per year shipping by rail and truck. From there it is a short drive to our last stop of the trip, **Polydeck Screen Corporation**. We will tour Polydeck's 146,000sqft screen media manufacturing facility. You will get to see the injection molding station, welding department, frame fabrication department and more. You will also visit the Armadex product line and tool and die department. We wrap the tour with a lunch at Polydeck before heading to the Charlotte airport for our flight home. (B,L)



Polydeck Screen Corporation



BMW Performance Racing
Once in a lifetime experience!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

HOW TO REGISTER

Online registration is now available. The Early Bird fee is \$2,850 plus HST. After July 30th, the price is \$3,000 plus any adjustment to airline fees based on not booking by early bird cutoff date plus hst.



Please [click here](#) to book the trip.

Space is very limited and confirmed on a first-come, first-served basis. There are only 30 spaces available.

You are responsible for having all valid and current identification to cross the border into the US. If you encounter any travel issues that may delay or disrupt your participation in the tour, you are still responsible for all registration fees.

DRESS CODE

The South Carolina Technical Tour is a casual trip. We encourage you to wear clothes you feel comfortable in, jeans are encouraged. Raincoat/outdoor wear as weather can be unpredictable. PPE— Safety boots and vest, hard hat, protective eyewear (contacts not allowed at some sites), long sleeve shirt (required at 1 site).

CANCELLATION POLICY

If you cancel, notification must be made in writing and received by OSSGA, to the attention of Eva DaSilva at edasilva@ossiga.com. The following cancellation policy applies based on the date that OSSGA receives your written cancellation:

Time of booking to July 14, 2017	50% of registration fee will be refunded to you
July 15, 2017 to August 14, 2017	25% of registration fee will be refunded to you
August 15, 2017 to trip departure	0% of registration fee will be refunded to you

NAME CHANGE

If the registered person is no longer able to attend the trip, a name change can be made for \$100 until August 14, 2017 after which there will be no name changes allowed due to Air Canada and Ministry of Transportation regulations.

What is included:

- Coach transportation in North/South Carolina
- 3 Nights hotel accommodations (room and tax)
- Meals as outlined in the itinerary (B/L/D)
- Tour of OceanaGold - Haile Gold Mine
- Tour of Vulcan Materials - Columbia
- Tour of Vulcan Materials - Pacolet
- Tour of Martin Marietta - Berkeley
- Tour of Argos - Harleyville
- Tour of Bridgestone Off Road Tire Plant
- Tour of Polydeck Screen Corporation
- Tour of Komatsu NMO
- BMW Performance Driving Experience
- Return airfare from Toronto to Charlotte

*schedule and sites subject to change without notification

What is NOT included:

- Airport transfers to departure point (Toronto)
- Personal expense money, medical fees, insurance and incidentals at hotels
- Some meals as outlined in the itinerary
- Flights beyond that listed in the itinerary
- PPE which is mandatory