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Hexagon Mining has signed deals with two prominent mine sites, Bozshakol and Aktogay, in Kazakhstan, both owned and operated by copper company KAZ Minerals

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KAZ Minerals is dedicated to modernising both mine sites, and reportedly chose Hexagon Mining based not only on its technologies and services, but also the innovation offered by the greater Hexagon group. Hexagon Mining stated that the deals also help solidify its business strategy in the region.

Alan Bradford, Hexagon Mining EMEA sales director, explained: "The reason for entering the Kazakh market was to grow the business in this strategically important region. We want to introduce more business solutions for Kazakhstan's developing economy. This emerging market fits in very well with our strategic goals for introducing innovative solutions into progressive markets. Kazakhstan is moving to best-practice solutions, and Hexagon empowers our partners to harness the best technologies.

"In our first five-year plan, Hexagon wants to contribute strongly to the technological advancement of mining in Kazakhstan. We are prepared to invest and establish an advanced local technology hub. We will cultivate this partnership through training and by exchanging technical knowledge as the first step in a long-term engagement."

The deployment at Bozshakol sees both low-precision fleet and high-precision machine guidance operating on top of WiMAX network infrastructure. WiMAX is a family of wireless communications standards, and its deployment at Bozshakol is a first for Hexagon Mining.

"I have every confidence that our successful rollout at Bozshakol will be repeated at Aktogay. We look forward to increasing our presence in Kazakhstan with a strong local team and a focus on assisting our partners to achieve best practice," Bradford added.

Hexagon Mining has an established office in Almaty, Kazakhstan, co-located with Leica Geosystems to serve the mining community.

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