

Dear Sir,

I have conducted a USED earthmoving equipment business for the past 9 years and I would like to register my disappointment at the proposed investment allowance for NEW machines only.

I purchase machines from the local market and employ local labour to refurbish the units prior to sale. New equipment is imported into Australia and has very little input from the local labour market. If this proposed legislation goes ahead, as proposed, companies like mine will be severely penalised and in fact we are already noticing that customers are holding off purchasing good quality used equipment, until a decision is made on whether there will be a 30% depreciation allowed for new machines.

We would strongly advocate that consideration is given to allowing this proposed depreciation to be applicable to used equipment also.

Yours faithfully,

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