A step change in energy efficiency
Our comminution technology

Minerals processing is changing. With diminishing ore grades and rising energy costs, ensuring that a plant has the lowest total cost of ownership is vital. Comminution of ore is one of the world’s most energy-intensive stages and accounts for up to 40 percent of the total energy used in mineral processing operations. More sustainable technologies & practices are required to make these hard, variable and low-grade ore bodies viable. Metso has an extensive history of technological development and is recognized as the world leader in engineering and innovating comminution circuits that are not only energy efficient but are also lower in operating costs helping our customers achieve maximum production and consistent recovery.

Advanced solutions for maximizing energy efficiency

Ensuring the accuracy and consistency of product size directly affects the profitability of your operation. Efficiently reducing ore size requires the optimum mix of world-class equipment. As the leading supplier of crushing, screening and grinding equipment, Metso ensures that you have selected best technology, systems and solutions for your mining operations.

Metso is the global leader in comminution technology

Crushing

Metso’s high-capacity, energy-efficient crushing equipment delivers superior performance and maximized throughput for the most demanding mining applications.

Screening

Metso’s high-efficiency screening solutions provide dependable screening performance for large material volumes with hard and abrasive ores.

Grinding

Metso’s comprehensive line of grinding mills and systems provide the most effective and energy-efficient technology across wet or dry, horizontal or vertical stirred milling operations.

Energy efficient solutions to maximize productivity & profitability
Metso’s innovative and most advanced HRC™ helps you to get more value from every ton of ore with its sheer production capacity and state-of-the-art industry leading features.

The key in the HRC™ HPGR solution is the patented Arch-frame which eliminates downtime caused by skewing and allows for the use of the flanged tire design. The flange tire design is another unique feature for Metso’s HRC™ HPGR. The flanges maximize the amount of material that is crushed by pulling material into the crushing zone and significantly reduces the amount of material that bypasses the tires.

In addition to boosting the equipment’s energy efficiency, our single line solution decreases the amount of capital cost and manpower required for routine maintenance, adding value to the customer operations.

Diverse applications:
- High tonnage, hard rock
- Diamond
- Iron-ore
- Gold
- Copper
- Platinum
- Molybdenum
- Industrial minerals

The HRC™ is the first and only HPGR designed from the ground up specifically for hard rock applications with the singular objective for providing the lowest total cost of ownership.

Metso HRC™
Pushing the boundaries with pioneering design
### Why choose Metso HRC™?

**A trusted solution bringing a step change in your operations**

Metso has made several key innovations to traditional HPGR technology to increase throughput and decrease total cost of operations.

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| **Higher availability & reliability**                                  | • Patented arch-frame eliminates downtime caused by skewing  
• Anti-skewing arch-frame prevents bearings from being damaged due to misalignment |
| **Increased efficiency & capacity**                                    | • Flanged fan design to direct material to the crushing zone, maximizing the amount of ore crushed  
• Low circulating load within the circuit                                      |
| **Reduced operating costs**                                            | • Energy-efficient operation  
• Longevity of wear components  
• No grinding media required                                                   |
| **Safety & ease of maintenance**                                       | • Studded tungsten carbide surface for optimum wear resistance  
• Flanges for have improved wear life over stationary cheek plates  
• Dust enclosure for a cleaner & safe working area                              |
| **Flexible operating parameters**                                      | • Speed and pressure can be adjusted for changing ore conditions and downstream circuit demands  
• Hydraulic cylinders can be adjusted to provide the optimal crushing force |

Unleashing the innovative technology, Metso created a revolutionary HPGR crushing circuit that challenges traditional expectations.

**Maximizing crushing efficiency and circuit capacity**

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| **+120 million metric ton of processed ore**                            | -25% circulating load  
**+60,000 hours of operation**                                           | -15% energy consumption  
**+20%** throughput                                                      | +20% throughput  
**HRC™** for sustainable, energy efficient mining operations            | +120 million metric ton of processed ore  
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Challenge
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Solution
The HRC™ 3000 is the largest unit in the world, allowing for fewer lines of equipment which reduces the amount of ancillary equipment.

Result
Metso’s solution has provided the Morenci mine with several benefits, including an estimated 13.5% increase in energy efficiency over traditional HPGRs based on pilot scale testing.

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Energy Efficient Mill Circuit

Over 45% potential in operating cost savings

Over 36% potential in energy savings

Operating costs per year

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Electricity

Wears and spares

Media

Proven efficiency with Metso HRC™

Gyratory crusher

Cone crusher

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Operating costs per year
Through our knowledge and experience, we work with our customers to create solutions that enable them to attain their objectives. We call this The Metso Way, which focuses on creating value to our customers.

The Metso Way

Knowledge -
We have deep knowledge about our customers’ business environment, processes and challenges.

People -
Our committed and highly competent people make the difference to our customers.

Solutions -
We create the technology and services required to meet our customer needs.

The Metso Way -
Making the big difference to our customers

Everything we do is based on deep industry knowledge and expertise that makes the big difference to our customers. Decades of close customer collaboration and adapting to our customers’ ever-changing needs have transformed us into a knowledge company.

Knowledge -
People -
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