

## Removing hardened concrete simplified

A specialised range of industrial-strength cleaning products, some of which are designed to prevent concrete from adhering to equipment, and others to remove hardened concrete were on show at the Pan Mixer product fair.

The biologically-degradable products, manufactured by German company, Leyde Chemicals, can be sprayed onto all equipment in any weather conditions –creating a light coating that prevents concrete from adhering to the surface, says PMSA director Walter Ebeling.

Cape Brick, a leading manufacturer of concrete bricks in the Western Cape, discovered the advantages of using the MEK3 range of Leyde chemicals last year.

Managing director Anthony Gracie explains: "The MEK3 range of Leyde

chemicals has worked wonders for us over the past year. It serves a dual purpose, as it helps to clean the mixing plant and it prevents damage, so it is cost-effective. In the past, we would spray the inside of the plant with diesel, but that proved to be

ineffective. The build-up of concrete would then have to be chopped off manually, which took a lot of manpower, was time-consuming and damaged the plant, which was expensive to repair."

Leyde has been a leading specialist in the supply of a wide range of cleaning products, including those for maintaining concrete equipment and truck mixers, for more than 40 years. ■

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