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EVERY CENT COUNTS

International interest in a NSW designed and manufactured hi-tech vision coin counting machine has sparked the Australis Engineering's \$1.7 million investment to relocate to Condell Park, Minister for State and Regional Development Ian Macdonald said today.

Mr Macdonald said the Keneally Government's payroll tax rebates support for this expansion will help create 16 new jobs in the Bankstown area.

"Australis Engineering's move to larger premises will help the company take advantage of opportunities to grow its business," Mr Macdonald said.

"Australis is being supported by the Keneally Government's Western Sydney Business Employment Fund, which has been specifically designed to support small business expansion and job creation in key industries in Western Sydney."

Member for East Hills, Alan Ashton said this would be a great boost for the Bankstown area.

"The Keneally Government's assistance allows this world class company to create much needed jobs in the Bankstown area," Mr Ashton said.

Mr Peter Gustafson, Director of Australis Engineering welcomed the NSW Government's assistance for the relocation project.

"This assistance will not only help our company grow, it will also create highly skilled jobs in Western Sydney."

- Australis Engineering is a family business, which has been in operation 26 years.
- The company uses specialist technology for manufacturing materials handling.
- This includes a coin handling machine recently developed for the Royal Australian Mint.
- The company has worked on materials handling projects for toxic waste along with a specialist drug vial handling system.
- It has also designed and developed conveyor belt systems and robotic systems, which it exported overseas.

Industry & Investment NSW is assisting Australis Engineering through its Western Sydney Business Employment Fund.

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