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RUAG Australia upgrades production facilities

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RUAG Australia has upgraded and expanded its facilities near Melbourne, Victoria, to build hydraulic actuators for platforms including the Lockheed Martin F-35 Lightning II fighter aircraft.

RUAG said in a recent statement that the "major upgrade" to its Hydraulic Actuator Centre of Excellence – located at the company's facilities in Bayswater – will "significantly improve productivity". The company said its investment covers a total of 11 computer numerical control (CNC) machining centres.

"The enhanced facility is now well-positioned to process and deliver on larger order volumes thereby satisfying aerospace customers' increasing supply-chain demands and sustaining [the company's] commitment as sole-source supplier for the uplock actuator system for the F-35 programme," said RUAG Australia.

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