

DAF Rocks



The combination of DAF and Kenworth under the PACCAR brand is a good reason for purchase according to Ron Currie, transport manager of Perth-based mining and transport company Bonnie Rock Transport.

The company provides various specialist transport services, ranging from hauling of land-based oil drilling rigs throughout Australia to deliveries of retail supplies in Perth.

"We use Kenworths to haul heavy oil exploration equipment and we use a DAF CF75 to handle metropolitan deliveries as well as regular trips throughout the state. They're the perfect trucks for our needs and, best of all, they are made by and backed by PACCAR, a company we know and trust," he said.

Bonnie Rock's DAF is a FA CF75 4x2 rigid tray truck rated to 38,000 kg GCM. With a full sleeper cab, power comes from the DAF 9.2-litre turbo-intercooled engine, producing 310 hp and 940 lb/ft of torque (at 1200-1700 rpm). It also includes an eight-speed synchromesh transmission with splitter (16 ratios), DAF SR 1339 single reduction rear axle (rated to 13,000 kg), riding on DAF four-bag rear air suspension.

"We needed an eight-tonne capacity truck that had the performance, economy and versatility to handle all kinds of conditions – rough, dirty tracks in the bush and busy, narrow streets in the city," Ron said.

"Everything we'd heard about DAF was true. It's not only highly maneuverable, it's also extremely comfortable – on and off road," he added.

