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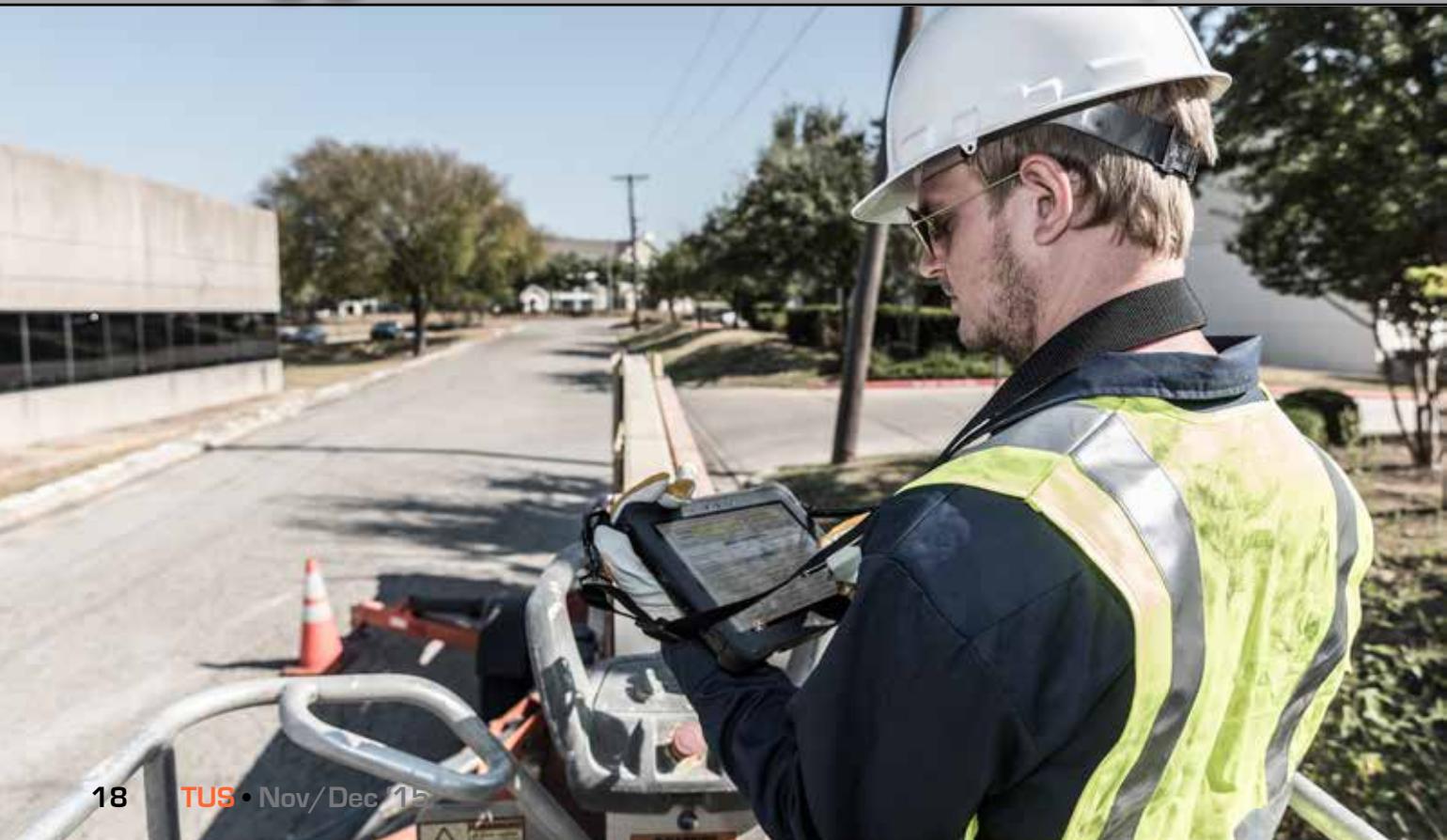Secondary Oil Containment

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Xplore's 10.1" XSLATE D10 Rugged Tablet PC Proves Android™ Can Mean (Tough) Business

Today's utility contractors are not strangers to rugged mobility. They often spend entire shifts working on their feet, in their vehicle or otherwise on the move away from a traditional office setting. Field service professionals across all utility sub-sectors particularly appreciate and embrace the constant connectivity and fast computing capabilities of today's tough tablet PCs.

Xplore Technologies' rugged tablets are well-known for powering through up to 20-hour workdays at peak performance rates – rain, dust or shine – thanks to hot-swappable battery options, chemically hardened sunlight-readable glass screens, IP-65 weather-resistant physical strength and long-lasting, Intel-driven data processing.

The new XSLATE D10 Fully Rugged Tablet, introduced by Xplore in early November, is no exception. However, the XSLATE D10 has gone above and beyond the competition to set a new standard in rugged mobility and I/O connectivity, the Android way.

Although built with the same appealing features as Xplore's other fully ruggedized mobile PCs, the XSLATE D10 harnesses the superior security and flexibility of Android 5.1, Lollipop to sweeten the deal for mobile workers who need a tough mobile computer capable of completing all tasks associated with real work in real-time, even when challenged by more extreme climate conditions.

Until now, there was no Android mobile PC as big, as strong and as secure as the 10.1", C1Z2/ATEX-compliant XSLATE D10 tablet. With a rare combination of 4GB RAM and 64GB SSD, this lightweight Android champion packs twice as much punch as any other Android device currently on the market in the storage and energy-saving categories. And there is no other Android mobile PC – of any size, rugged or not – that gives utility professionals a full set of I/O ports.

After more than of a decade supporting telecommunications, CATV, and power service providers , Xplore understands that connectivity – to 4G LTE, Wi-Fi and Bluetooth networks, as well as to test and inspection tools – is critical to utility professionals' ability to deliver results fast. But quality can't be compromised for speed, and the ability to achieve both starts with workers' ability to do more – by connecting to more people and data – from a single tablet. That's why the XSLATE D10 includes up to eight I/O ports as a standard feature – including two USB 3.0, RJ-45, an optional HDMI input – and offers a multiple-user login option that centralizes HQ in workers' hands.

But the XSLATE D10 isn't meant to exclusively satisfy the rugged work requirements of a single field service category. It was designed with the needs of all utility workers in mind, including those charged with network construction, service installation, infrastructure maintenance and repair and even supply transportation via truck or railroad.

This supremely rugged computing platform also boasts a unique, future-proof skill set that will empower utilities and contractors to expand their mobile workflow lineup as needed. Currently, the XSLATE D10 supports everything from GIS mapping, infrastructure inspections and service call dispatch to real-time on-site and remote diagnostics, on-site completion of maintenance checklists, user manual access, inventory management, and work order closeouts. And the D10 is more than proficient in multiple data capture methods to expedite completion of these activities.

Though many workers are accustomed to keyboard data entry, mobile work environments aren't always amenable to typing. While the XSLATE D10 does offer a Companion Keyboard option, Android's easy-to-use Touch capabilities mean capturing important data – or signatures – is as easy as picking up a digital pen and writing on the upsized 10.1" screen.

For those searching for a mobile computer that not only reduces data loss, but lost productivity, the Android-powered XSLATE D10 might be just the right solution they've been seeking for their most rugged work assignments. It's truly a first-of-its-kind tablet PC that delivers the perfect mix of Android security, Touch-enabled collaboration, workflow flexibility and far-reaching mobility to make any job – whether done in rain, sun, snow or dirt – a whole lot easier no matter where your "office" may be that day.

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