

CUSTOMER: WBHO
PROJECT NAME: ABSA Towers, Johannesburg
APPLICATION: Façade Removal and replacement

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In 2019, one of Joburg’s tallest building underwent a R400 million facelift. Divercity Urban Renewal Fund, with the WBHO / Motheo Joint Venture appointed as the main contractor for the project, redeveloped the building into a mixed-use address, including 520 affordably priced residential rental apartments. As part of the redevelopment the existing façade was completely removed and replaced and SkyJacks was selected by the contractor to provide a safe, stable and economical suspended access solution.

Custom 10m platforms were designed and suspended from the steel structure at the top of the building using slings. Additional I-beams were installed to keep the suspension points in a vertical position to prevent towing and special brackets were designed to allow the platform to be anchored on each floor between the outer columns to secured the platform while the contractor was painting and sealing the windows of the newly installed façade.

SkyJacks provided a two-man team on site during the six-month contract period and did TSP Operator training for the contractors’ employees working on the platforms.

Vertical Run	115 m
Type of Platform	Custom 10m platforms
Rated Load	360kg – 2 persons
Type of Hoist	2 x Alpha 800
Standards	SANS 51808, SANS 10295-2, SANS 10162-1
Type of Suspension System	I-Beams

