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RUAG Australia has inaugurated its new, state-of-the-art paint booth facility at its Wingfield, South Australia, Surface Finishing Centre.

The new facility offers aerospace component finishing capabilities for the processing of large numbers of varying sized components.

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Fully accredited by key aerospace partners, it supports the F-35 and other aerospace and defence programs.

Specifically designed in consultation with leading industry specialist Lowbake, and approved by aerospace and defense global supply chain industry partners, the new aerospace and defence paint booth expands and upgrades the capabilities available at the Wingfield Surface Finishing Centre.

The full high-specification/high-standard facility is engineered to ensure faster, high-precision finishing solutions for the application of aerospace paints, including waterborne epoxy and polyurethane, and fuel tank coatings, with improved and defined curing efficiency. The facility also features additional capabilities for curing fuel cell coatings.

"We understand the customer's need for fast turnaround times, conformity, affordability and reliability. This new surface finishing facility allows us to meet the rapidly increasing demand to support both industry diversification as well as our participation in highly demanding programs, such as the F-35," said Terry Miles, general manager of RUAG Australia.

"Specifically designed to solidify our strong position within the industry for aerospace surface finishing, the accredited Wingfield Surface Finishing Centre is also a second source service-provider, providing the Australian Defence and aerospace industry with the necessary alternative supply chain solution for surface finishing."

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