



United Drilling Services

**Celebrating over 30 years of experience
within the drilling industry.**

Our group of experts collectively boast experience that spans well over 200 years.
Dedicated to providing competent and professional services to our list of clients.



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Strategically located in Mackay, Mount Isa, Moranbah and Alice Springs we are able to support the needs of Northern Australia, South Australia, Central Queensland and the Bowen Basin



Organisational Identity:

United Drilling Services Pty Ltd is a small but very professional drilling contractor dedicated to maintaining the highest possible levels of safety, quality and production. We pride ourselves on the level of service we provide our clients and strive to achieve this through providing experienced drill crews on well-maintained equipment working in an environment of cooperation and communication.

In 2025, UDS entered into a strategic merger with established drilling and workover services provider GFS. This means we are able to provide an industry-best, full package of services to our clients.

Centrally located in Mackay, Mt Isa and Alice Springs, our company supplies specialised drilling solutions to mineral and coal exploration and mining companies throughout Northern Australia, South Australia and Central Queensland.

The business was established in 1994. From this point the company has seen significant growth and an expansion in the fields of expertise.

With a thirty-year history, United Drilling Services has developed fields of experience in:

- Surface R/C and Diamond Coring
- Rotary Mud Drilling
- Deep R/C Drilling to 450m
- Deep Diamond Coring to 2000+m
- Navigational Drilling



With over 30 years of experience within the drilling industry, we offer our clients:

1 Expertise in Complex Challenges:
Extensive experience enables our company to effectively address and resolve complex drilling issues.

2 Established Reputation:
A track record of success builds trust and credibility with our clients; this is best demonstrated by our included testimonials.

3 Strong Industry Knowledge:
Familiarity with common and complex drilling challenges enables our company to quickly identify solutions and have effective problem-solving skills.

4 Network and Relationships:
Since 1994, our company has developed strong relationships with suppliers, clients and stakeholders, facilitating efficient operations.

5 Central Location:
Being centrally located in Alice Springs, we can support your drilling program with:

- Lower overall costs: No mobilisation and demobilisation fees.
- Faster response time: Quick access to workshops allows for timely service and repairs, minimising downtime.
- Enhanced support: Local availability of resources means support can be readily provided when needed.

Equipment & Capacity Ratings

1 Multipurpose Sandvik DE840 Drill Rigs

To allow a deep R/C drilling capacity, the DE840 comes equipped with three compressors to produce 1000psi at 2200cfm.

Features:

- Eight-wheel drive carrier for difficult access areas
- Dedicated rod handler
- Safety spin to minimise the use of hand tools during diamond drilling
- Fully automated rod rotation guards
- R/C dust-suppressed cyclone with adjustable cone splitter
- Full fire protection systems integrated into the drill rig and all compressors

Drilling Depth Capacity:

- 450m R/C
- 1400m H-size core
- 2223m N-size core

For maximum versatility, these rigs have been mounted onto Mercedes Benz 8x wheel drive twin steer trucks suited for difficult access areas.



2 LF160 Handsfree Exploration Rigs

UDS was the first company to bring an LF160 into Australia over nine years ago.

Since purchasing and commissioning that first rig, we have expanded the fleet to a total of six LF160s and accompanying Freedom Loaders.

This is the largest privately owned fleet of these rigs in the Southern Hemisphere.

We have completed over 70,000 operating hours across this fleet with over nine years LTI-free.

Features:

- Truck and track-mounted options for flexibility
- Fully hands-free rod handling capabilities
- Small footprint for minimal disturbance pads
- Capable of running 6 5/8" casing

For maximum versatility, these rigs have been mounted onto Mercedes Benz 8x wheel drive twin steer trucks suited for difficult access areas.

3**Hydco 1200 Multipurpose Rig**

UDS' Hydco 1200 is a truly versatile rig. It has recently been converted with the fitment of an onboard compressor and auxiliary booster, meaning it is ready to tackle any scope of work. During this process, the rig underwent a major overhaul including a complete re-hose, NDT, and engine and pump refresh. This rig is mounted on a TATRA T815-2 HD 8x8 carrier, renowned for its ability to traverse steep, uneven and rocky terrain.

Drilling Depth Capacity:

- 400m R/C
- 1200m H-size core
- 2100m N-size core
- 1000m Mud Rotary at 6½"

**4****Multipurpose UDR650 Drill Rigs**

Mounted upon a 6-wheel drive Mercedes Benz truck, this medium-sized multipurpose drill rig is designed for versatility across almost all terrains. It is equipped with a powerful compressor and booster package, making it ideal for an R/C pre-collar followed by a core drilling program.

Safety Features:

- Safety spin to minimise use of hand tools during diamond drilling
- Fully automated rod rotation guards
- Full fire protection systems integrated into the drill rig and compressors

Drilling Depth Capacity:

- 200m R/C
- 200m R/M
- 900m N-size core

These rigs are mounted onto short wheelbase Mercedes Benz 6x wheel drive trucks, making them suitable for tight access areas.



5 Desco SP7000SA Rigs

UDS has two of these small-footprint, high-output rigs. They are perfect for exploration projects where minimal disturbance pads are required. Lightweight but powerful, these rigs deliver over 7500Nm of rotational torque, 25T pullback, and 12T pulldown.

Features:

- Truck and track-mounted options
- Small footprint for minimal disturbance

Drilling Capacity (Metric Depths):

- Mud Rotary 12" – 500m
- Mud Rotary 6" – 850m
- PQ3 – 700m
- HQ3 – 1250m
- NQ – 1800m
- BQ – 2100m



6 70-Tonne C-Tech Rapid Service Rigs

UDS operates two C-Tech Rapid Service Rigs — high-capacity, compact rigs designed for quick movement between wells without compromising capability. They are fully equipped for completions or workover requirements.

Features:

- 70klb Rapid Service Rig mounted on twin steer Kenworth carrier
- Onboard 8500L water tank
- Onboard 5000psi GD Triplex pump
- 40' hydraulic catwalk
- 10T telehandler
- 3K BOP annular bag
- Accumulator skid and choke manifold
- Self-contained site office
- Fully stocked white house
- Range of bailers
- Fishing equipment

Occupational Health & Safety:

United Drilling Services prides itself on its impressive safety record and is dedicated to providing the safest conditions practicable. A full copy of our Occupational Health, Safety and Environment Management System will be forwarded upon request. The system, DrillSafe, is a complete management tool for the effective control of Occupational Health and Safety within the company, and it further advances our dedication to the health and safety of all our employees and associates.



DrillSafe System Outline

In order to implement an effective management system, the company documentation is prepared in a three-tier structure to provide flexibility in preparation, approval, issue and use. The three-tier documentation system is as follows:

- **Tier 1 – Occupational Health, Safety and Environment Manual (“DrillSafe Manual”)**
A concise document outlining the structure and general principles of the Health, Safety and Environment Management System for the company.
- **Tier 2 – System Procedures**
These procedures describe how activities within the company are performed. Procedures include what, how, when and where steps are performed and by whom. Where applicable, they detail what materials, equipment and documents are used and how they are to be controlled.
- **Tier 3 – Health, Safety and Environment Plans**
These are prepared for all workplaces and detail the specific health, safety and environment systems for the workplace.

Environmental:

At United Drilling Services, we believe the term “environment” encompasses not only the physical environment in which we work, but also people, their work, and the things they value. Management is accountable for the environmental performance of United Drilling Services and the implementation of this policy.

To deliver on our commitment we will:

- Incorporate environmental management systems as part of our critical business activities.
- Encourage new ideas or ways of minimising our environmental impacts.
- Strengthen our partnerships with stakeholders to achieve our objectives and obligations.
- Strive to effectively manage resources, reduce waste and eliminate or minimise adverse environmental effects and risks that may be associated with our operations.
- Meet and, where appropriate, exceed applicable environmental laws, statutory obligations and relevant voluntary codes of practice.
- Monitor and set measurable targets to seek continual improvements to our environmental performance.



Testimonials:

Greenstone Resources Limited

I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for United Drilling Services, with whom we have had the pleasure of collaborating on several key projects during our employment contract with them over 18 months from 2022–2023.

United Drilling Services has consistently demonstrated profound expertise and an unwavering commitment to excellence in the field of drilling services, particularly noted during their recent exploration and resource definition programs completed for Greenstone Resources Limited.

Throughout their 18-month engagement with Greenstone Resources Limited, United Drilling Services maintained an unblemished health and safety record, achieving no lost time injuries — a testament to their stringent safety protocols and proactive approach to risk management.

In addition to their commendable safety record, United Drilling Services has proven their technical capability by successfully drilling deep reverse circulation and diamond drill holes to depths in excess of 625 metres. This technical proficiency was critical in accessing deep geological targets, crucial to growing the Burbanks mineral resource and increasing the company's geological understanding of the area.

Their team's professionalism, combined with their robust operational procedures, makes United Drilling Services an invaluable partner in the mining sector. We have found their expertise in handling complex drilling operations to be unmatched and were impressed by their ability to develop proactive solutions for working in adverse and difficult environments, ultimately delivering high-quality results.

We confidently recommend United Drilling Services to any organisation seeking a reliable and proficient drilling services provider. They are not just a contractor; they are a strategic partner that adds value to every project they undertake.

Glenn Poole

Chief Geologist & Technical Director

Blina Resources / Vectorex Geological Services

United Drilling Services (UDS) conducted a Reverse Circulation drilling program for Blina Resources at the Bluebird Project near Tennant Creek in the Northern Territory. The drilling conditions were known to be very difficult with broken ground and poor circulation. Despite this, UDS managed to complete the majority of the holes planned and achieve the results that Blina required.

The management and onsite drill crew were efficient, courteous and responsive to Blina's requirements. I have no hesitation in recommending them.

Martin Bennett

Vectorex Geological Services

Middle Island Resources

United Drilling Services recently concluded an RC and DD drilling program for Middle Island Resources at our Barkly Copper-Gold Project in the Northern Territory. The drill crew, along with Peter, exhibited exceptional professionalism, dedication to their craft, and a strong commitment to safety, ensuring the timely and satisfactory completion of the project.

Working in the remote Barkly Region with very limited infrastructure and services required United to adhere to stringent safety policies and procedures. The drilling crew showed an impressive level of expertise and proficiency throughout the project from start-up through to completion. Their dedication to safety was evident in their adherence to strict safety measures.

United's commitment to excellence and their ability to deliver the project on schedule were highly valued. MDI expresses our appreciation for their amazing efforts in overcoming very challenging conditions throughout the drilling program.

We anticipate future collaborations with United and thank them for their outstanding performance on our project.

Stephen Pearson

Exploration Manager

Arafura Rare Earths Limited

I have known UDS for many years. UDS have completed RC and diamond core drilling at Nolans Bore and elsewhere for Arafura Rare Earths Limited. There have been no safety incidents, and they delivered a good daily production rate in variable ground conditions.

UDS complied with all our environmental, safety and management protocols. This also included drilling and operating under our radiation management procedures and protocols to ensure minimal impact to their workers and the environment.

I would recommend UDS and, if possible, intend to engage them again.

Kelvin Hussey

Principal Geologist



Emmerson Resources

Emmerson Resources have utilised United Drilling Services (UDS) on several drilling programs since 2022 that have included both R/C and diamond coring to a maximum depth of 350m in our Hermitage and Golden leases in Tennant Creek.

UDS has provided the best equipment to meet the needs of the projects, most notably in the Hermitage project where difficult ground conditions and complicated geology were encountered.

R/C and core presentation was of professional standard with good recovery, successfully completing drill holes to termination and reaching all main targets within tolerance.

We are particularly pleased with the site supervision provided by UDS. Anton Southam demonstrated a high level of professionalism, communication and interpersonal skills.

The drill crews demonstrated a high level of skill and a willingness to adapt to differing circumstances when they arose, showing sincere interest in successfully completing the program.

We find UDS outstanding with respect to safety, as the drill crew demonstrated proactive actions to safety with minimal incidents or accidents reported.

Ana Liza "Liezl" Cuison

Group Exploration Manager

Centrex Metals Limited

United Drilling Services was employed by Centrex Metals to conduct a drilling program of RC and diamond coring operations on a double-shift basis over a twelve-month period. UDS were effective in the way they constructed their drilling parameters, which resulted in them achieving very good results where other drilling companies onsite demonstrated an inability to complete some holes to termination.

Their commitment to a quality product and outstanding customer service was observed by all staff onsite. No matter what the challenge, UDS remained positive, always seeking immediate and long-term solutions to whatever obstacles they faced in the completion of a project.

RC drilling was particularly difficult in certain areas with flowing sands, swelling clays and unconsolidated hard bands being encountered. Drillers demonstrated a high level of skill and professionalism and were dedicated to achieving a high level of success even in very difficult geological formations. Equipment supplied by UDS was modern and incorporated all the necessary safety features including rod handlers and full fire suppression.

I encourage and will be pleased to accept any telephone calls regarding the quality of work UDS performed for us and have no hesitation in recommending them for any future drill programs.

Alastair Watts

General Manager Exploration

CuFe Ltd / Vista Gold Australia Pty Ltd

U.D.S. were engaged by CuFe Ltd. (the company I was working for at the time) in mid-2022. Our operation was located to the west of Tennant Creek among the historic gold operations in the Northern Territory. Our program consisted of around 25 RC pre-collar drillholes and selected diamond core tails, as part of a resource extension/definition campaign. U.D.S. were also responsible for the installation of 2 water monitoring bores adjacent to the resource area as part of a baseline data establishment program.

The program had its own specific challenges with highly variable geological horizons (decomposed ironstone horizons mixed with very competent siltstone horizons) trending oblique to the planned drilling direction. There were also historic back-filled voids spread through the drilling area. We had to deal with targeting a known resource accurately in this challenging area with conventional equipment — and this is where the drilling crews excelled by adapting quickly as required.

The U.D.S. crew were very experienced (one driller I had worked with personally 25 years prior), were excellent communicators, were very receptive to alternative approaches when required, and at all times very professional and great problem solvers. Turnaround times for supply of consumables and parts when needed was excellent.

I would highly recommend U.D.S. for consideration for your program and would be happy to discuss further if required.

David Rosewall

Senior Geologist

Tennant Mining / Rose Mining Geology

I carry out work for Tennant Mining, a private mining and exploration company with projects around Tennant Creek. My role there is as Geology Manager. We used UDS to carry out RC and diamond drilling at Warrego and also saw their work on an RC program at Golden Forty.

- High quality of RC samples. The sampling system on the big RC rig is well laid out and provides a good sample, and is also set up well for the samplers.

- High quality of the drill core. I don't think we had any errors with core blocks. All orientation marks were properly placed and marked.

- Good productivity, both on RC and diamond drilling.

- How easy the drill crews were to work with. In particular, they had a pleasant client focus and worked with us to ensure the samples were high quality.

- Also liked the patience of the drill crew when there were delays due to bushfires, and their safety focus in assessing the site risks.

Given the opportunity, I would be happy to use UDS for the next drilling program.

Steve Rose

Director and Principal Mining Geologist



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