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## **Case History – Perisher Blue Ski Tube**

*Month/Year*            1997

*Products*                **NMP 1530 Thin-film superior protective coating**

*The Problem*            During the peak times of the ski season, Perisher Blue ski tube encounters 35,000 people per day that trudge, in ski boots, up and down the stairs to catch the ski tube. During ten years of testing, Perisher had not come across a coating that could outlast one ski season.

Not only is the area subject to extreme wear, but also the melting snow makes it an extreme slip and fall hazard as people are boarding the ski tube.

*The Solution*            NMP was contracted to install a non-slip protective coating that could withstand the wear and tear of a busy ski season.

Following a water blast, a 400 microns coating on NMP 1530 was applied to the area and 24-mesh aluminium oxide was scattered onto the wet coating. After the coating was dry, a second coat was applied to seal in the aggregate and to make the cleaning process much easier. The result was a hard and glossy coating that was non-slip and yet easy to clean.

*Notes/Comments*        In Mar 02, NMP was asked to go back and assess the need for a topcoat and after a good clean it became obvious that applying an additional coat was not necessary as the coating was in great condition.