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Australian Water Association announces first Northern Territory Water Award Winners

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Innovative excellence, creative solutions and exceptional leadership were the consistent themes across the distinguished recipients of the Australian Water Association's inaugural Northern Territory Water Awards.

Announced recently at the Northern Territory end of year function, Australian Water Association CEO Jonathan McKeown said: "The Association has been running the Water Awards program for over 20 years promoting excellence and innovation in the water sector by individuals and organisations," he said.

"It brings me great pleasure to be able to announce the very first winners of the Northern Territory Water Awards.

"The winners will proceed to the national awards as finalists, with the winners announced at the Ozwater'17 gala dinner in front of 1,000 attendees."

The 2016 Northern Territory Water Award winners are:

Water Professional of the Year

**Dr Kevin Boland, Managing Director and Principal Scientist
Tropical Water Solutions**

Dr Boland has been involved in the management and evaluation of Northern Territory, Australian and international water resources since 1979. His extensive contributions include journal manuscripts, book chapters, peer reviews and co-supervision of postgraduate candidates. He has authored over 100 major reports, been keynote speaker to Australian and international institutions and is a deeply appreciated and well-respected mentor to generations of scientists and engineers in the Northern Territory.

Program Innovation Award

**Power and Water Corporation in partnership with the Northern Territory Department
of Housing
Milingimbi integrated water efficiency trial**

The Milingimbi integrated water efficiency trial resulted in significant water savings of 29 per cent for the island community, using smart meter technology, new reporting tools and long-term education outcomes. The decrease in water consumption was achieved through the collaborative efforts between Milingimbi residents, Power and Water Corporation and the Northern Territory Government.

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Infrastructure Project Innovation Award

Power and Water Corporation, SUEZ & Goodline Adelaide River Water Treatment Plant

Power and Water Corporation recently completed the Adelaide River Water Treatment Plant project which aimed at delivering a sustainable and effective water treatment solution to address water quality issues, reduce customer complaints and ensure safe drinking water supply. The project showcased a number of contemporary and innovative engineering practices.

Young Water Professional of the Year

Cail Rayment, Demand Management Officer Power and Water Corporation

Cail undertakes demand management with water-stressed communities in the Northern Territory. Graduating from Queensland University of Technology's Creative Industries faculty in 2009 with a major in Media and Communication, Cail worked with Savewater Alliance in Melbourne for two years before taking up a dream job in PWC's Regions and Remote unit in Alice Springs in 2012.

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To arrange an interview with Jonathan McKeown or any of the award winners contact Ashleigh James 0488 160 277.

The Australian Water Association is an independent, not-for-profit association for water professionals and organisations, providing leadership in the water sector through collaboration, advocacy and professional development. As Australia's peak water industry body, the Australian Water Association has the largest broadly based membership, with approximately 700 corporate members and 5,000 individual members representing the diversity and breadth of the Australian water industry.