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# AMPCONTROL RECOGNISED FOR COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS THROUGH NSW GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE

- Ampcontrol recognised for sustainability achievements at Sustainability Advantage Recognition Gala on Monday 24 July 2023 at the Sydney Opera House.
- Rod Henderson, Ampcontrol Managing Director & CEO, accepted a bronze plaque from Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC on behalf of Ampcontrol for commitment and progress with Sustainability Advantage over the past 2 years.
- Sustainability Advantage, NSW Government initiative, works with medium and large organisations to accelerate the adoption of sustainable practices and nurturing leaders committed to securing a sustainable NSW.

Ampcontrol has been recognised for their commitment to sustainability as a member of the NSW Government Sustainability Advantage initiative by receiving a bronze plaque at the Sustainability Advantage Recognition Gala.

Hosted on Monday 24 July 2023 in the Yallamundi Rooms at the Sydney Opera House, Sustainability Advantage used the gala to publicly acknowledge the sustainability achievements of their partners and to say thank you to leaders from a variety of sectors for their ongoing commitment to building a resilient, thriving NSW.

**Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC**, NSW Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister for the Environment and Minister for Heritage awarded Ampcontrol with a Bronze plaque at the gala to recognise our commitment and progress with Sustainability Advantage over the past two years through their commitment to achieving United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and Net Zero targets, as well as working to support their customers and suppliers in achieving their goals.

"Through a staged plan of installing solar panels on our workshops and site-specific energy efficient projects such as the installation of LED lighting, we have been able to reduce operational emissions by 28% from 2020 and have set a target of a 60% reduction by 2030. Ampcontrol is now also a member of the Clean Energy Council, supporting the mission to accelerate Australia's transition to renewable energy," says **Simon Coleman, Ampcontrol General Manager – HSEQ.** 

**Rod Henderson, Ampcontrol Managing Director & CEO** accepted the award on behalf of Ampcontrol at the ceremony.

"It is an honour for Ampcontrol to be recognised for our sustainability efforts as a business. We're committed to join global efforts to reach Net Zero emissions. Through changes made within our own business, we are in a better position to provide innovative solutions to help our customers remain competitive in a low carbon economy," says Mr Henderson.

"We have ambitious Net Zero targets because we believe challenge drives innovation. We are committed to using our own Net Zero learning to support our customers with their decarbonisation journey."

Ampcontrol has been working with Sustainability Advantage for the past two years during which time they have developed a Net Zero Emissions Pathway and participated in the Net Zero Emissions Leadership Accelerator.

Ampcontrol has created a Responsible Supply Chain Framework and are partners in the Hunter Sustainable Development Goals Taskforce that has now developed Baseline Indicators for the Hunter region, to help mobilise and measure future action.

#### Ends.

Ampcontrol is challenging the future by solving the most complex problems in energy. Ampcontrol creates energy solutions of scale using innovation partnerships, their smart people and advanced Australian manufacturing. Their vision is to lead the global energy revolution and make net zero a reality. Every day, the world-first innovations from Ampcontrol help and support customers in all industries to decarbonise. With a proven track record of award-winning innovations and 55 years of developing custom energy solutions, Ampcontrol is trusted by customers worldwide to future-proof their business.

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#### **About Ampcontrol**

- Ampcontrol is Australia's largest privately-owned electrical engineering company leading advanced global manufacturing of award-winning innovations, products, solutions and service to the resources, infrastructure and energy sectors.
- From humble beginnings founded by four friends in a small shed in Newcastle in 1968, Ampcontrol has grown to over 950 employees across 30 operations worldwide.
- Ampcontrol co-founder, Peter Cockbain AM, is named by Engineers Australia as one of Australia's top 100 influential engineers and in 2015 he became a Member of the Order for Australia for his significant services to engineering.
- Locations include New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia, Northern Territory, ACT, Asia, India, Mongolia, UK, and France.
- The largest operation is located in the Hunter, NSW, with a combined manufacturing space totalling over 21,000sqm spread over 10 different sites.
- Designed and built lifesaving emergency ventilator prototypes for the NSW Government in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Developed the world's first IECEx certification for an explosion protected, hermetically sealed, nitrogen filled and pressurised mining transformer.
- Developed the industry's first 132kV emergency response mobile substation that has received RTA
  approval as a new special class type of vehicle due to its innovative design and ability to meet all road
  safety requirements.
- Developed Australia's first variable speed drive (VSD) installed on a longwall armored face conveyor in Moranbah North Longwall.
- Designed and developed a breakthrough remote water treatment system that transforms undrinkable water into pure water. Pilot project currently installed in a remote indigenous community in Gillen Bore, Northern Territory.

## MULTI-AWARD WINNING ENGINEERING, DESIGN, AND INNOVATION

- o 2021 Good Design Award for Excellence In Engineering Design (Solar Qube)
- o 2021 Hunter Manufacturing Award for 'Excellence In Product 'Design' (Solar Qube)
- o 2021 Hunter Manufacturing Award for 'Collaboration 'Partnership' (Hybrid Diesel Electric Boat)
- 2020 Hunter Business Award for Excellence In Innovation & Adaptability for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- o 2020 Hunter Manufacturing Award for Collaboration Partnership for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- 2020 Hunter Manufacturing Award for Manufacturing Pivot for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- 2020 Lake Macquarie Business Excellence In Innovation for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- o 2020 Consult Australia Awards for Excellence for Technological Innovation for 'Gilghi'
- o 2020 Institution of Civil Engineers Chris Binnie Award for Sustainable Water Management for 'Gilghi'
- 2020 Engineering Excellence Award Newcastle Division for 'Gilghi'
- 2020 Good Design Award winner for Social Impact for 'Gilghi'
- o 2020 NSW Mining Supplier of the Year
- 2020 Australian Water Association NSW Water Infrastructure Project Innovation Award for 'Gilghi'
- o 2019 Hunter Business Excellence Award for Innovation' Gilghi'
- 2019 Good Design Award winner for Product Design Commercial and Industrial for 'Rockstarter'
- 2019 Good Design Award winner for Engineering Design for 'Rockstarter'
- 2019 Scottish Engineering Awards President's Award winner
- o 2019 Lake Macquarie Business Excellence Award for Innovation for 'Gilghi'
- 2019 Mine Electrical Safety Conference Innovation Award for AFC VSD Moranbah North Longwall Project
- o 2018 HunterNet Chairman Awards Excellence In Work Health Safety
- o 2018 Hunter Business Awards Excellence In Business (20+ employees)
- 2018 NSW Minerals Council Outstanding Supplier for 'H3RO'
- 2017 Hunter Manufacturing Awards Excellence In Product Design for 'VoiceComm Phone'
- 2015 Engineers Australia Newcastle Engineering Excellence Award for 'Arc Fault Venting Simulation and Practice'
- 2013 Australian Engineering Excellence Award winner for Engineering Innovation' Management of VSD earth leakage currents in fault limited networks'
- 2010 Australian Engineering Excellence Award winner for Engineering Excellence' Blakefield South 11kV
   longwall in partnership with Xstrata Coal and Joy Global'
- o 1998 Australian Engineering Excellence Award winner for Engineering Excellence 'iMAC'