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## MEDIA RELEASE

# WINNERS CROWNED AT 2018 RIN AWARDS

**From leading business strategies to innovative products – some of the region’s most resourceful businesses have been recognised at the prestigious 2018 Resource Industry Network Awards.**

**The 2018 RIN Awards, proudly sponsored by KPMG, have recognised the significant achievement and enterprise that local businesses are demonstrating across seven categories including safety, leadership, export, innovation, diversity, and community connection.**

Resource Industry Network Chair Tony Caruso said this year’s awards night was a huge success with more than 320 in attendance at the MECC to celebrate the people, the innovation and the successes of the resource services sector.

“These awards recognise excellence in business and the significant contribution that those businesses make to the regional economy and community. Our judges this year had the unenviable task of shortlisting each of the categories to just three finalists and have repeatedly stated what a difficult task this was given the quality of all the nominations,” Mr Caruso said.

Winners on the night included DGH Engineering for their leadership in delivering better outcomes for their people and business. The judges commented on the company’s humility, authenticity and compassion, highlighting their open communication skills and honest business reflections when announcing them the winners of the Leading from the Front Award.

Diacon Australia was rewarded for its initiative, persistence and success in taking a product to the export market. The Chasing Foreign Markets Award winners were commended on their strong export vision and commitment, both financially and logistically, to successfully penetrate the export market.

North Queensland Bulk Ports set a new benchmark with their people-focused approach to safety, after taking out the Safety Foremost Award. The development of its ‘Balance’ program has been built upon a base of existing safety systems with judges declaring the initiative ‘one for the resources industry to watch and take learnings from’.

The 2018 RIN Awards also saw the introduction of a new category – Striving for Diversity Award – with local company C2H Piping Services taking the honours by demonstrating commitment and progress to achieving equity in the workplace. The company has an outstanding culture of embracing diversity across all areas of the business and were congratulated for their work in youth upskilling, disabled workforce and approach to family inclusion.

MM Electricals’ Matthew Johnson was recognised in the Standing Out from the Crowd Award for demonstrating great resilience, leadership in challenging times, and championing change to ensure the organisation continued to prosper despite market conditions.

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Moranbah Discount Tyres & Mechanical's connection in the community was rewarded for its deep focus on addressing skills shortages and unemployment levels. The team clearly demonstrated an inspirational mix of motivation, sustained effectiveness and key measures of success across a range of projects they supported in the community.

Vayeron's outstanding innovation and ability to navigate the start-up scene with commitment and tenacity resulted in the organisation taking out the Out of the Box Award. Their completely wireless technology harvests power from the rotation of a conveyor roller, in which it is embedded, and provides real-time data back to Vayeron's gateway module, then into client control systems and real-time management decision-making. The company was urged by judges to maintain its endeavours to get this exciting product to market.

Australian comedic entertainer Peter Berner was the guest MC for the evening creating an atmosphere mixed with intellectual wit and well-deserved recognition for the local resource sector.

The 2018 awards honoured the achievements of 21 businesses and individuals who were shortlisted for their demonstrations of originality, practicality and forward thinking. **The 2018 winners and finalists were:**

**Standing Out from the Crowd – sponsored by QCCS**  
**MM Electrical – Matthew Johnson – WINNER**  
Get Real Workwear & Safety Mackay) – Nathan Price  
McKays Solicitors – Suzanne Brown

**Connecting in the Community Award – sponsored by  
Local Buying Foundation**  
**Moranbah Discount Tyres & Mechanical – WINNER**  
DGH Engineering  
The Horner Group

**Leading from the Front Award – sponsored by Hays  
Recruiting**  
**DGH Engineering - WINNER**  
McKays Solicitors  
QCCS

**Chasing Foreign Markets Award – sponsored by  
Trade & Investment Queensland**  
**Diacon Australia – WINNER**  
EHS Manufacturing  
Techserve

**Safety Foremost Award – sponsored by Hail Creek  
Mine**  
**North Queensland Bulk Ports – WINNER**  
Mackay Regional Council  
Mastermyne

**Striving for Diversity Award – sponsored by BMA**  
**C2H Piping Services – WINNER**  
Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal  
QCCS

**Out of the Box Award – sponsored by NAB**  
**Vayeron – WINNER**  
Linked Group Services  
Techserve

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