

2008 Awards For Excellence

FMA Australia and Transfield Services Environmental Achievement Award

The FMA Australia and Transfield Services Environmental Achievement Award recognises efforts by individuals or teams within the FM industry, from researchers through to facility operators, who have made a positive contribution to the knowledge, practical application and communication of strategies to improve the environmental performance of their facilities.

The recipient of this Award will have demonstrated the value of their innovations/improvements to the community through environmental outcomes in the FM industry. The innovations and/or improvements will have arisen from research or an initiative and will be substantiated by supporting documentation or independent verification of the outcomes of the initiative, or in the case of research, the key findings.

The FMA Australia & Transfield Services Environmental Achievement Award will be presented at the **ideaaction '08 Gala Dinner**, Thursday 8 May, 2008, Gold Coast.

Eligibility

- > This Award is open to individuals and teams involved in research, strategy implementation and change management designed to improve the environmental performance of facilities across their life cycle.
- > Self nomination and third party nominations are welcome.
- > Individual nominees must be resident in Australia.
- > Operational or implemented initiatives must have been fully operational for at least 12 months to be eligible for this Award.

Presentation and Format of Entries

Entries for this Award will be presented in five clearly marked sections:

Part A: completed entry form.

Part B: executive and profile summary detailing a brief biography of the entrant to be used for presentation purposes, promotional activities and media releases.

Part C: detailed description of the research or initiative.

Part D: addresses the evaluation criteria.

Part E: supporting documentation: published articles, certificates/awards or any other materials that may be considered to support your entry. An independent report verifying the entry's finding or outcomes will be heavily weighted.

**Submissions due by
17.00, Monday 31 March 2008**

Note:

- > Submissions may be up to, but no longer than 5000 words.
- > All entries must submit one bound hard copy and four electronic versions provided on CDs.

Evaluation Criteria (refer Part D)

The evaluation criteria for this award are as follows:

Criterion 1: The financial and community value of the environmental innovations and/or environmental improvements arising or derived from the entrant's research or initiative

Judges will assess the extent to which claimed environmental innovations and/or improvements will reduce the impact of the FM industry on the environment. This assessment will be made across the whole facility life cycle (i.e. construction, operation and disposal) and will be in the broadest terms possible, not confined to specific areas such as reduced energy consumption in operations. An entry should include a concise description of the claimed benefits and potential reach of the initiative or research. Independent verification of the entry's claims will be used to compare competing entries and must be provided with the submission.

Criterion 2: The strength of the cost benefit of the FM environmental initiative or improvements

Each entry could include a business case to a firm's executive management. Financial aspects of the business case should be based on a life cycle analysis. Key elements of the business case should be traceable to the independent verification provided with the entry.

Criterion 3: The degree of benefit to the FM community through the research or initiative outcomes

Each entry should describe how the research or initiative's outcomes have been/are being communicated to FM professionals and the FM sector in general. Typically, websites, presentations, publications and research papers can be referenced. The participation in FMA Australia professional development activities, as a vehicle for communicating the outcomes, would be an advantage.

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