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Media release

Allconnex employee takes out water industry award

Allconnex Water employee Brendan Schutz has won this year's prestigious Water Industry Operators Association of Australia (WIOA) Queensland Operator of the Year (Civil Works) award.



Brendan Schutz accepting the award from Dr Rob Fearon, CEO Queensland Water

Brendan is responsible for managing Allconnex's Pressure Leakage Management Project, which reduces water usage and minimises water loss through the detection and isolation of water pressure and leaks.

Allconnex CEO Kim Wood praised Brendan's dedication and enthusiasm for his job.

"I'm proud of Brendan's achievements. He accepted his challenge at a time when the Gold Coast was going through a severe drought and proved that with dedication and enthusiasm success can be achieved," said Mr Wood.

The System Performance Officer - Water, was recognised for his outstanding achievements at this year's WIOA awards ceremony held in Toowoomba in June.

The award, introduced in 2010, is sponsored by the Queensland Water Directorate (qldwater) and aims to provide encouragement to water industry employees employed in the civil construction/maintenance areas of the water industry to recognise excellent performance, initiative and all round attention to detail.

Brendan was nominated for the award by Kent Weeden, Allconnex's Supervisor Civil Wastewater.

Mr Weeden said he nominated Brendan because of his skills and great attitude to his work.

"Brendan was the ideal candidate for this award. He always has his hand-up to do things. This, passion, combined with his expertise, ensures he achieves success with everything he does," said Mr Weeden.

Brendan said he was honoured and delighted to receive the award.

"I would encourage other Allconnex employees to nominate for these awards or other awards within the water industry that might be relevant to them," he said.

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