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HARVEY WATER MAKES A SPLASH AT THE INAUGURAL WA WATER AWARDS

Harvey Water have been announced as the inaugural winner of the 2006 Water Award for Excellence.

The award was announced by the The Hon John Kobelke, Minister for Water Resources at a Gala Dinner Ceremony held on Friday, 13 October.

The 2006 Award for Excellence recognises products, processes or systems that display innovation, excellence and benefits to the wider industry and the community.

General Manager, Geoff Calder was delighted with the award and praised the efforts of the whole Harvey Water team. Mr Calder said "our company started up in 1996 with a mob of farmer directors and a new and untried management and staff. Now we are recognised as one of the leading irrigation providers in the country." Mr Calder said that the Harvey Pipe Project is widely recognised all around Australia and is being used as an example of an innovative and practical way to save water we already have. Mr Calder summed up the contribution made to the wider community by Harvey Water and added "we have pushed the benchmark for sourcing water in WA to an entirely new level."

The Harvey Piping Project is highly regarded on the national scene and is recognised as being the best of its type in its broad vision and practical ability to save water. It has been presented as a case study for other states to learn and gain inspiration from to develop water saving initiatives in their own constituencies.

The Award provides valuable recognition to Harvey Water and the Harvey Pipe Project, a very simple solution to saving water we already have by converting open irrigation channels to pipe. The \$72 million project will deliver 17.1 GL of water on a permanent transfer basis to the Water Corporation.

In addition to winning the overall award, Harvey Water were also successful in winning the Water Conservation and Efficiency Award which recognises the development of new products or systems to improve and encourage water

"Helping our irrigation industries to grow from Waroona to Dardanup"



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conservation. They also received a Highly Commended award for the Rural and Regional Category.

The Award topped a string of accolades received by Harvey Water in the past few weeks. The Harvey Pipe Project Team won the regional category of the WA Engineering Excellence Awards, Dan Norton, Chairman of SWIMCO was presented with the 2006 Rural Achiever Award presented by the Royal Agricultural Society and to top things off, Dan was presented with a Life Membership to ANCID (Australian National Committee on Irrigation & Drainage) in Darwin last week.

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