A CALL TO RECOGNISE OUR STRONG WORKFORCE

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The Northern Territory Government is committed to training and up-skilling Territorians and focusing on the unique opportunities that the northern part of Australia has to offer.

The NT has one of the highest Vocational Education and Training (VET) participation rates in the country. At 5 March 2013, there were 3786 apprentices and trainees in training in the NT.

The NT Training Awards are an official recognition of excellence and achievements in the VET sector and celebrate the achievements of Territory businesses, training organisations, apprentices, trainees, trainers and students.

Minister for Business David Tollner said the awards acknowledged the high standards of training, knowledge, skills and personal achievements in the sector.

"Today I call on employers, training providers and others across the Territory to nominate a worthy recipient for these prestigious awards," Minister Tollner said.

"VET plays an integral role in the economic growth of the Territory in skilling and training our current and future workforce."

"The awards offer finalists the chance to gain personal satisfaction and access opportunities in their industry, and to be part of an elite group of ambassadors who represent the Territory’s best."

Last year there were more than 60 nominations across 11 award categories for individuals and organisations who shared in a prize pool of more than $50,000.

Some of the categories include Trainee of the Year, Training Provider of the Year, Employer of the Year and Small Employer of the Year.

Nominations for the 2013 NT Training Awards close on 1 May. Winners will be announced at a gala event in September.

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