

Announcement



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Geocycle – Finalist in the 2010 Banksia Environmental Awards

Geocycle SBF Pty Limited is pleased to announce it is a finalist in the 2010 Banksia Foundation Environmental Awards, recognised as the most prestigious environmental awards in the country.

Geocycle has been nominated as a finalist in the *Clean Technology – Harnessing Opportunities* category for its entry of the 'Superblender' which processes Prescribed Industrial Waste for energy recovery.

The award for this category will be “presented to the entry that has been deemed by the judges to demonstrate leadership and innovation in removing climate, wastes and water impacts through the development and application of innovations that use new approaches, technologies and/or energy systems for business and community benefit”.

Established in 1989, the Banksia Foundation is a not-for-profit organisation that promotes environmental excellence and sustainability nationally, through its annual awards program.

The new Geocycle plant consists of a unique system for shredding drums/containers of liquids and solids, blending the wastes into a uniform high viscosity fuel, and recovering washed drum/container metal for recycling. The process has been developed in alignment with the Victorian EPA's strategy of diverting waste from landfill, in Geocycle's case repurposing this waste as a coal alternative, powering cement kilns.

The 'Superblender' project has led to an increase in waste received and processed by 23 per cent over the last two years, with a further 8 per cent expected in 2010 and has been underpinned by improvements to safety, health and the environment. Geocycle's innovative process was recognised earlier this year winning the Victorian Premier's Sustainability Award for *Products or Services*.

Geocycle are competing against four other finalists in the category; AgVet Project (VIC), Grocon (VIC), Melbourne Water Corporation, and Papyrus Australia Limited. For more information, visit the website www.banksiafdn.com

The winners will be announced in an awards ceremony on Friday 15th October 2010 at Sydney Town Hall. For more information please contact Kristy Muir 07 3335 3093.