

Subbie of the Year

The Civil Contractors Federation NT Earth Awards gala dinner was recently held at the SKYCITY Beachside Pavilion. The awards recognise companies within the Northern Territory civil sector that have been involved in projects that demonstrate excellence and innovation in the fields of construction, project and environmental management.

The 'Subbie of the Year 2017' award, sponsored by the Department of Trade, Business & Innovation, was presented to Earl James & Associates (EJA), a 100 per cent locally owned and operated surveying, planning and spatial information consultancy firm. The award was accepted by Michael Secrett, an Engineering Surveyor and one of four Directors of the well-established and reputable Darwin-based company.

Despite being nominated for the award by several other local companies, and having been actively involved in most significant development projects across the Northern Territory over the past 30 years, the award came as a complete surprise to the humble Darwin local. "I didn't even know we'd been nominated", he said.

"We are very client focused and take a proactive approach by assisting with designs and identifying any potential issues that might cause major problems down the track. The job goes beyond just looking at a plan and hammering pegs into the ground".

Some of EJAs major involvements include the Darwin Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Plant at Wickham Point, Darwin Waterfront Redevelopment, Zuccoli and Muirhead subdivisions

and a range of innovative advances in assisting the community ownership of Aboriginal Housing within indigenous communities.



Michael Secrett (left) receiving the Subbie of the Year Award from The Department of Trade, Business and Innovation's Bardia Bodaghi