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AMPCONTROL DEMONSTRATES COMMITMENT TO ONGOING DEVELOPMENT OF OUR PEOPLE THROUGH LAUNCH OF TRAINING CENTRE

- Ampcontrol officially launches the Ampcontrol Training Centre in Tomago, NSW to showcase commitment to ongoing professional development of our people.
- With changing industry needs and skills requirements, the Ampcontrol Training Centre allows workforce to adapt existing skills to meet the needs of industry in the energy transition.

Ampcontrol officially launches the Ampcontrol Training Centre in Tomago, NSW to showcase commitment to developing the skills and competencies of our people as we lead the global energy revolution.

The Ampcontrol Training Centre is a dedicated training environment at the Corporate Head Office which simulates the operation of our leading technological products within a controlled environment. It signifies the largest single investment in training infrastructure to support capability development within the Ampcontrol workforce and adapt to changing needs.

“Our people are our biggest asset. When we looked at what skills were needed in the new world of renewable energy, we found the biggest need was to adapt existing skills. With the launch of the Ampcontrol Training Centre, we can grow our own and ensure our people develop the skills they need for us to meet market needs,” says **Rod Henderson, Ampcontrol Managing Director & CEO**.

“The Training Centre is an investment in our people. We want to help and support all our customers to decarbonise so we can make global net zero a reality. One of the ways we can do this is through future-proofing our workforce through professional development,” says Mr Henderson.

The equipment within the Ampcontrol Training Centre has been set up to represent an operating model of products. People can see how these products work and to fault find, test, and obtain additional knowledge on the products, allowing Ampcontrol to remain competitive in the market.

The 2024 Ampcontrol Apprenticeship intake has recently closed with a record number of applications and placements across New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia. The Training Centre will be key in providing hands-on training opportunities for our apprentices and trainees.

“In today's rapidly changing world, it's more important than ever to have a workforce that is at the forefront on the latest skills and knowledge. The capabilities industry needs most have evolved, but methods of building those skills has not. We are focusing on developing our people through sustaining skills and linking learning to business performance,” says **Leigh Stefanszyn, Ampcontrol Executive General Manager – People & Engagement**.

“We see this facility as an opportunity for us to offer more pathways to our people, attract the next generation of innovators and creators, and continue to provide long term career progression for our people. This positions Ampcontrol to lead the global energy revolution,” says Ms. Stefanszyn.

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Ampcontrol is challenging the future by solving the most complex problems in energy. Ampcontrol creates energy solutions of scale using innovation partnerships, their smart people and advanced Australian manufacturing. Their vision is to lead the global energy revolution and make net zero a reality. Every day, the world-first innovations from Ampcontrol help and support customers in all industries to decarbonise. With a proven track record of award-winning innovations and 55 years of developing custom energy solutions, Ampcontrol is trusted by customers worldwide to future-proof their business.

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About Ampcontrol

- Ampcontrol is Australia's largest privately-owned electrical engineering company leading advanced global manufacturing of award-winning innovations, products, solutions and service to the resources, infrastructure and energy sectors.
- From humble beginnings founded by four friends in a small shed in Newcastle in 1968, Ampcontrol has grown to over 950 employees across 30 operations worldwide.
- Ampcontrol co-founder, Peter Cockbain AM, is named by Engineers Australia as one of Australia's top 100 influential engineers and in 2015 he became a Member of the Order for Australia for his significant services to engineering.
- Locations include New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia, Northern Territory, ACT, Asia, India, Mongolia, UK, and France.
- The largest operation is located in the Hunter, NSW, with a combined manufacturing space totalling over 21,000sqm spread over 10 different sites.
- Designed and built lifesaving emergency ventilator prototypes for the NSW Government in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Developed the world's first IECEx certification for an explosion protected, hermetically sealed, nitrogen filled and pressurised mining transformer.
- Developed the industry's first 132kV emergency response mobile substation that has received RTA approval as a new special class type of vehicle due to its innovative design and ability to meet all road safety requirements.
- Developed Australia's first variable speed drive (VSD) installed on a longwall armored face conveyor in Moranbah North Longwall.
- Designed and developed a breakthrough remote water treatment system that transforms undrinkable water into pure water. Pilot project currently installed in a remote indigenous community in Gillen Bore, Northern Territory.

MULTI-AWARD WINNING ENGINEERING, DESIGN, AND INNOVATION

- 2023 NSW Mining HSEC Awards for Health Excellence (DRIFTEX)
- 2023 Hunter Safety Awards for Best WHS Improvement Award ('Live Work Better')
- 2023 HunterNet Chairman's Award for Member of the Year
- 2021 Good Design Award for Excellence In Engineering Design (Solar Qube)
- 2021 Hunter Manufacturing Award for 'Excellence In Product 'Design' (Solar Qube)
- 2021 Hunter Manufacturing Award for 'Collaboration 'Partnership' (Hybrid Diesel Electric Boat)
- 2020 Hunter Business Award for Excellence In Innovation & Adaptability for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- 2020 Hunter Manufacturing Award for Collaboration Partnership for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- 2020 Hunter Manufacturing Award for Manufacturing Pivot for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- 2020 Lake Macquarie Business Excellence In Innovation for 'Emergency Ventilator Project'
- 2020 Consult Australia Awards for Excellence for Technological Innovation for 'Gilghi'
- 2020 [Institution of Civil Engineers](#) Chris Binnie Award for Sustainable Water Management for 'Gilghi'
- 2020 Engineering Excellence Award Newcastle Division for 'Gilghi'
- 2020 Good Design Award winner for Social Impact for 'Gilghi'
- 2020 NSW Mining Supplier of the Year
- 2020 Australian Water Association NSW Water Infrastructure Project Innovation Award for 'Gilghi'
- 2019 Hunter Business Excellence Award for Innovation' Gilghi'
- 2019 Good Design Award winner for Product Design – Commercial and Industrial for 'Rockstarter'
- 2019 Good Design Award winner for Engineering Design for 'Rockstarter'
- 2019 Scottish Engineering Awards – President's Award winner
- 2019 Lake Macquarie Business Excellence Award for Innovation for 'Gilghi'
- 2019 Mine Electrical Safety Conference Innovation Award for AFC VSD Moranbah North Longwall Project
- 2018 HunterNet Chairman Awards Excellence In Work Health Safety
- 2018 Hunter Business Awards Excellence In Business (20+ employees)
- 2018 NSW Minerals Council Outstanding Supplier for 'H3RO'
- 2017 Hunter Manufacturing Awards Excellence In Product Design for 'VoiceComm Phone'
- 2015 Engineers Australia Newcastle Engineering Excellence Award for 'Arc Fault Venting – Simulation and Practice'
- 2013 Australian Engineering Excellence Award winner for Engineering Innovation' Management of VSD earth leakage currents in fault limited networks'
- 2010 Australian Engineering Excellence Award winner for Engineering Excellence' Blakefield South 11kV longwall in partnership with Xstrata Coal and Joy Global'
- 1998 Australian Engineering Excellence Award winner for Engineering Excellence 'iMAC'