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RECORD INTAKE FOR 2024 APPRENTICE PROGRAM AS AMPCONTROL BUILDS SKILLS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY WORKFORCE

- Ampcontrol employs 55 new apprentices across NSW, QLD, and WA
- Expanding career pathways in 2024 to include cadetships and school-based apprenticeships to provide career opportunities in STEM

Ampcontrol has significantly increased its apprentice intake, employing a record number of apprentices, with 55 new employees set to challenge the future to help make global net zero a reality.

Ampcontrol offers multiple career pathways across its Australian operations, including its Apprentice and Graduate Program, encouraging students to pursue careers in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) industry.

“At Ampcontrol, we’re dedicated to developing pathways for people to enter the workforce, especially in STEM. We are excited to be welcoming 55 new apprentices into our business and supporting these individuals in an environment that fosters ongoing learning and development, training, and progression. In 2024, we will also expand our established career pathway programs to include cadetships and school-based apprenticeships. The variety of avenues provides opportunities for undergraduates and high school students to gain the skills and experience to support a successful STEM career,” says **Mikhaila Halford, Ampcontrol Workforce Solutions Manager**.

Of the 55 new apprentices starting in 2024, 38 are starting in NSW, 9 in Queensland and 8 in WA. The types of apprentices employed are electrical, fabrication, mechanical fitting and machining.

Ampcontrol provides students with firsthand experience in solving complex problems. Through the Ampcontrol Apprentice Program and Graduate Program, students experience multiple aspects of the business and can be part of projects that showcase innovation and develop problem-solving skills early on in their careers.

“I’ve been involved in stand-alone power systems integrated with hydrogen technology and large-scale renewable projects. At Ampcontrol, we work at the forefront of the electrification of Australian mining, which will only grow as mines move away from diesel. The Graduate Program has provided me with valuable opportunities to apply my skills in renewable energy in a rewarding and meaningful way,” says **Alex Stamenkovski, Ampcontrol Graduate Engineer**.

The success of Ampcontrol Career Pathways was recognised at the University of Newcastle Employability Awards with ResTech, a collaboration between Ampcontrol and the University of Newcastle, inducted into the Work Integrated Hall of Fame. As part of our ongoing commitment to develop future innovators and creators, we engage undergraduate engineers to work on research projects in the Living Lab on-site at ResTech, allowing students to be mentored by established R&D professionals.

Ampcontrol unveiled its new company vision to lead the global energy revolution. **Leigh Stefanszyn, Executive General Manager- People and Engagement**, acknowledges the need for more tradespeople to be trained to respond to industry needs for Australia to head into a clean energy environment.

“It is estimated over the next seven years, we will be upwards of 44,000 tradespeople short to help us on the clean energy path that we’re currently on. Coming into Ampcontrol Career Pathway Programs

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now is vitally important to prepare those skills for the next five to seven years and beyond,” says Ms Stefanszyn.

Ampcontrol Career Pathway Programs offer careers that support the development and growth of the STEM industry.

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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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