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Industry Contribution Award Winner Announced

Endeavour Energy Deputy Chief Executive Officer and industry veteran Rod Howard has received the Energy Networks Australia (ENA) Industry Contribution Award for 2020.

Mr Howard was recognised for his extraordinary 47 years' service at Endeavour Energy and his significant contribution to the industry and its transformation.

Well-known and highly regarded in the electricity sector at home and overseas, Mr Howard has also served as Chairman of the Electricity and Water Ombudsman Network in NSW and worked with the Malaysian Government and World Bank in India on energy projects.

His long and successful career has also been recognised with a prestigious NSW Government Public Service Medal for service to the electricity industry.

ENA Chair Tim Rourke presented the award to Mr Howard during a virtual awards ceremony.

ENA Chief Executive Officer Andrew Dillon said the Industry Contribution Award was an opportunity to recognise an individual for exceptional contribution to the networks sector.

"Rod chaired the ENA/CSIRO group who charted an industry-wide roadmap to a low carbon, customer centred future."

"After serving as a member of Endeavour Energy's Executive Leadership team for 27 years and now as Deputy CEO, Rod is incredibly deserving of this award," he said.

"His work has seen Endeavour transition from a monopoly network provider to a high performing, efficient people-centred business, dedicated to powering a better future for all."

Endeavour Energy CEO and ENA Board Director Guy Chalkley said Rod was known as a person of tremendous integrity and professionalism.

"As Chief Operating Officer, Rod led Endeavour Energy in its highly successful transition from public to private ownership. Rod's steady and strategic response to incidents including bushfires and floods over many years is to be highly commended," he said.

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