

SANEA AWARDS 2008

Categories & Short-listed Candidates

PROJECT AWARD 2008

Bethlehem Hydro (Pty) Ltd

**Recipient: Anton-Louis Olivier
Managing Director
Bethlehem Hydro (Pty) Ltd**

The project and its developer, Anton-Louis Olivier of NuPlanet (Pty) Ltd, has proven its leadership in the Independent Power Plant (IPP) market in South Africa by being the first renewable IPP project to reach the construction phase and confront the conventional wisdom that renewable energy cannot be competitive in South Africa. The project was awarded the Development Bank of South Africa's Green Project of the Year Award in 2006. Bethlehem Hydro is currently scheduled for commissioning by August 2008.

Eskom: Demand Side Management

**Recipient: Latetia Venter
Communications Project Manager
Eskom**

In order to keep electricity users informed about the daily power situation and give information as to how they can help, the "Power Alert Gauge" has been designed. The Power Alert project schedule was an example of efficiency in itself, progressing from concept to television feature in less than two months. For the first time, electricity consumers are being provided with real time information on the electricity supply situation in their region. Added to that, they are given clear, practical ways in which to reduce their consumption and in so doing influence the situation.

Toyota South Africa Motors

**Recipient: Mary Willemse
Manager: Communications & Publications
Toyota South Africa Motors**

Under the theme "Growth in Harmony with the Environment", plans and related environmental programmes to achieve Toyota's objective of synergy between the company's growth and the well-being of society are implemented by contributing to the development of society in a sustainable manner. A prime example of this is Toyota's Prospecton plant in Durban which previously used electricity and gas to heat water but has now been converted to use energy from the sun as a source of heat, converted via a large array of solar power panels across the roof of the factory.

JOURNALISM AWARD 2008

Edwin Naidu

Recipient: Edwin Naidu
Senior Writer & Editor: Sunday Drive
The Sunday Independent

As a journalist Edwin has made special efforts within the field of journalism to promote greater understanding of energy and its role in the sustainability of human endeavour. His reports are objective, reflected consistency, engaged across the board on energy matters and were well informed. The article "*Help save the planet - and yourself a mint*" on August 26, 2007, was extremely informative in spelling out what consumers could do to reduce the carbon footprint. Edwin says "I enjoyed writing about it because I learnt so much myself, making me realise that the change is not in telling readers what they should do but getting to grips with the fact that the change actually starts with the writer."

Engineering News

Recipient: Terence Creamer
Editor
Engineering News

After nearly three decades of business-to-business publishing, Engineering News has earned wide respect for consistently providing South African businesses with information that opens doors to new business opportunities, allows companies to showcase their products, services and branding, and keep all private and public sector participants in the economy at the cutting edge of the constant evolution of the South African and global business environment. Energy has been the lead topic of many editions and the reporting has been objective, informative and appropriately provocative, stimulating South Africans to think more deeply about energy's role in our future development. Over the past decade, the publication has moved into the internet age, publishing real-time online editions of Engineering News. Both their news magazine and online formats provide a unique forum where readers can find news and comment critical to business success in an increasingly competitive knowledge-based global economy.

Eleanor Momberg

Recipient: Eleanor Momberg
News and Feature Writer
The Sunday Independent

South Africa's electricity crunch has been coming for some time. The signs were there but neither Government nor Eskom acted on the warnings for nearly a decade. As the energy crisis developed, The Sunday Independent took a broad approach, looking at all aspects of the power shortage. Eleanor says "As the journalist assigned most weeks to cover Eskom and the latest developments around the crisis, I had to come up with new ideas on how to explain to our readers what the energy crisis in its entirety meant. Chief among the aims with the articles was not only to inform our readers objectively and properly about what was happening, but also to try and promote a greater understanding of the subject."

EDUCATION AWARD 2008

Dave Wright

Recipient: Dave Wright
General Manager: Corporate Planning
Engen Petroleum Limited

SANEA holds monthly lectures on a wide range of energy topics. Dave was invited to address SANEA members at the February 2008 lecture. The topic he addressed was the oil industry in South Africa and a possible future demand scenario. He indicated the product imbalances quite clearly, and discussed the implications for any new refinery in terms of operational design for the balance between petrol and diesel. The diesel shortage currently experienced is not going to evaporate and has very serious consequences for the economy. The presentation resulted in many very interesting questions which Dave answered superbly. Dave educated SANEA members on the challenges facing the local oil industry in a way that was easy to understand. Most of the audience came away with a better understanding of the urgent need to either build a new refinery appropriately configured to produce diesel – or to try to cut back on our oil consumption!

Minerals and Energy Education and Training Institute (MEETI)

Recipient: Dr Olga Svoboda
Director: Minerals and Energy
MEETI

The Minerals and Energy Education Training Institute (MEETI) aims to contribute to improving the implementation process of public policies in the minerals and energy sectors by enhancing the knowledge of stakeholders about the management of the industry, potential risk factors and about compliance requirements with the new legislation.

MEETI's training courses are compatible with the National Qualifications Framework, accredited by the University of Witwatersrand and recorded with SAQA institute. MEETI also offers customized, focused events of concern to the leadership in the industry, government and labour and in particular promotes access to its courses for historically disadvantaged South Africans