

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **South Australia's Leading Learning Organisation!**

On Friday 7 September, the Training and Skills Commission held their South Australian Training Awards Presentation Dinner at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre.

The South Australian Training Awards are the State's peak awards for Vocational Education and Training, recognising quality, excellence and innovation in training.

PEER is delighted to announce its success in winning the Training Provider of the Year Award. This award recognises registered training organisations that offer a specific range of training products and services, and has demonstrated excellence and high level performance in all aspects of vocational education and training.

PEER's Chief Executive Officer, Peter Nolan says: "This is a fantastic achievement for PEER and our staff, who have worked incredibly hard over the past 2 years of transformation."

"We have invested significantly in our people, the latest technologies, and our training resources, all in partnership with our industry partners," he says.

"Our trainers are actively working (or regularly engaged) with industry, to maintain currency in the latest technologies in their trade."

"Our Academy philosophy, which focuses on: train, coach, mentor and support, has revolutionised the engagement and whole person development of our apprentices. This makes our apprentices become the best they can be and this is evident through our apprentices regularly winning awards in South Australia and Nationally."

"Our reputation, based on performance and outcomes is growing. PEER is growing – significantly! Our work with school students is very exciting and important for us, as it's helping attract and develop the next generation of apprentices."

"We are really proud PEER is known as South Australia's leading employer and training provider in Electrical, Refrigeration, Plumbing and Data Communications."

"We are honoured to be recognised as South Australia's leading learning organisation."

PEER is extremely proud of Electrical Graduate; Jarrod Morton, for winning the Apprentice of the Year Award. This award is presented to an apprentice who has been outstanding in all aspects of their trade.

Jarrod completed his Electrical Apprenticeship with PEER and was hosted with BW Thompson Electrical Pty Ltd, where he is now employed as a qualified Electrician.

"I am honoured to win this year's Apprentice of the Year award and feel on top of the world! I am so excited to take on the role as ambassador for VET training and look forward to the Australian Training Awards," said Jarrod Morton.

PEER acknowledges the considerable effort undertaken by the Training and Skills Commission to organise such a significant event and congratulates all winners and finalists.

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**About us:**

PEER a non-profit industry-based organisation, is a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) and Group Training Organisation (GTO) delivering nationally accredited training packages to meet South Australia's skill development needs. Agile and innovative, PEER is highly regarded for delivering trade training and assessment excellence in the following trades: electrical, plumbing, data communications, and refrigeration & air-conditioning. As a GTO, it's the largest employer of apprentices within the Building and Construction industry in SA, with over 400 apprentices and trainees. It also delivers pre-vocational training, VET in schools, upskilling short courses and skills recognition.