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Builders congratulated at HIA-Nissan Fleet GreenSmart Awards

The prestigious 2012 HIA GreenSmart Home of the Year has been awarded to Clarendon Homes NSW and Landcom for their Net Zero Emissions Home project. The award was presented at the national HIA-Nissan Fleet GreenSmart Awards.

The HIA-Nissan Fleet GreenSmart Awards recognise the best in environmentally-responsible housing.

The winners were wide-spread from around Australia and included:
Clarendon Homes NSW and Landcom took out the top award for GreenSmart Home of the Year. The home showcases a carefully considered and visionary approach to home construction and design. Clarendon Homes NSW and Landcom also won the Awards for GreenSmart Water Efficiency, GreenSmart Resource Efficiency and GreenSmart Display Home.

Justin O'Connor won GreenSmart Energy Efficiency for a striking Tasmanian home exceling in all areas of energy efficiency. It employs many energy saving features to achieve an 8.9 star energy rating.

your abode won GreenSmart Renovation/Addition Project. your abode has transformed a dark and cold living area into a more liveable, light and inspiring space. Opening the space to the North provides ample natural light and passive solar gain.

Dowell Windows won GreenSmart Product for their ThermaLine Windows The ThermaLine Windows range is a versatile, high performing and cost effective aluminium window range. With U-values as low as 1.7, the windows are rated the best in its class.

Danny Pauley, Energy Aspect Living Pty Ltd won GreenSmart Professional for successfully leading South Australian builders in energy efficient and sustainable building practices. Danny proactively discusses environmental considerations with every client to ensure the best possible outcomes to meet the needs of his clients and the needs of the environment.

Econstruct won the GreenSmart Custom Built Home award for a home demonstrating that green homes do not need to compromise on their looks and style. The room layout and window placements maximise airflow and ensure the main living areas benefit from solar passive elements of the home at all times.

Cedar Woods Properties and City of Wanneroo won the GreenSmart Townhouse/Villa Development Award for two efficient and adaptable duplex homes. The 8 star energy rated homes provide an innovative approach to providing affordable yet very comfortable housing.

Splice Projects won GreenSmart Spec Home for producing a highly efficient prefabricated passive solar home. Innovative and experimental elements were included to optimise passive heating, cooling and lighting, and minimise energy and water consumption.

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Right Homes Pty Ltd won GreenSmart Project Home for a home which uses nature to heat and cool and provide a comfortable environment for its owners. Judges commented the energy efficient home takes into consideration the orientation of the block, insulation, ventilation, thermal mass and the client's lifestyle.

In congratulating our winners, HIA Managing Director Shane Goodwin said the HIA-Nissan Fleet GreenSmart Awards represented the pinnacle of sustainable residential construction.

"Consumers are becoming ever-more aware of the impact their homes have on the environment and are taking increasingly large measures to ensure this is minimised," Mr Goodwin said.

"The HIA GreenSmart program is a voluntary initiative and accreditation our members can incorporate into their building practices to respond to consumer demand. The Awards recognise the high standards and excellence among these practitioners," Mr Goodwin said.

The Awards ceremony was held on Thursday, 6 September at Sergeants Mess in Sydney and hosted by prominent media and publishing identity, Peter FitzSimons.

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