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101 Miller St voted Australia's best in 2009 PCA Awards

101 Miller St has been named Australia's best sustainable development after winning the National Award at the 2009 Property Council of Australia Rider Levett Bucknall Awards for Innovation and Excellence.

The development took out the prestigious award against a strong field of competitors to be awarded the title at the gala event held at Sydney's Convention and Exhibition Centre over the weekend.

Property Council of Australia National President Daniel Grollo said the ambitious upgrade of 101 Miller Street, North Sydney, by Mirvac has quickly become the essence of premium grade office buildings.

"Along with the building's chic design and functionality, it was the development's 'green' elements that helped the building really stand out," Mr Grollo said.

"With a strong focus on energy conservation, 101 Miller St is a good example of how sustainable practices and environmentally friendly design can enhance a development's overall appeal, as well as its social and financial longevity."

The transformation of the building included a state of the sustainability systems, dramatically cutting greenhouse gas emissions, while providing a more secure and low cost source of energy for their tenants.

Mirvac has partnered with Cogent Energy to provide a cogeneration plant that will provide a reliable, cost efficient and environmentally sensitive power solution to 101 tenants.

Mr Stephen Mee, Director of Rider Levett Bucknall Sydney said this landmark North Sydney tower, the only premium grade commercial building outside the Sydney CBD, is now an award winning sustainable redevelopment.

"Since 2008 there has been a significant and lasting change of focus away from the creation of new assets towards the optimisation of existing ones," Mr Mee said.

"The tenant's decision to relocate left the owners with a significant challenge, and a rare

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opportunity to refurbish the building mid-life cycle.

“Significantly, the project achieves a 5 Star Green Star rating (representing Australian excellence) using conventional air conditioning,” he said.

Mr Grollo said the awards showcase the finest development projects from around the country and distinguish industry projects that demonstrate innovative practice and design, from large-scale multi-million dollar developments to individuals making an impact within the industry.

“This year’s winners, including 101 Miller St, continue to raise the bar for the industry in setting new benchmarks in excellence, particularly in the area of sustainable design and practice,” he said.

Other national winners on the night included:

- BLUESCOPE BUILDINGS Award for Business or Industrial Parks – Quad Business Park (NSW)
- BILFINGER BERGER Award for Emerging Assets – Sir Montefiore Jewish Home (NSW)
- RIDER LEVETT BUCKNALL Award for Office Developments – AXA Centre (VIC)
 - Highly commended – Green Square South Tower (QLD)
- CITY PLAN SERVICES Award for Residential Developments - Place on Brougham (SA)
- RYAN LAWYERS Award for Tourism & Leisure – The Sebel & Citigate (VIC)
- Award for Heritage & Adaptive Re-use – Home (WA)
 - Highly commended – 88 George (NSW)
- COFFEY Award for Future Leaders – Adam Haddow (NSW)
- PITNEY BOWES BUSINESS INSIGHT Award for Shopping Centre Developments – Rouse Hill Town Centre
- CONICS Award for Master Planned Communities – Prince Henry at Little Bay (NSW)
- WOODHEAD Award for Mixed Use Developments – Regent Place (NSW)
 - Highly commended – Campbelltown Catholic Club (NSW)
- PHILLIPS GROUP Award for Government Leadership – City of Whittlesea (VIC)
- MOORE STEPHENS AUSTRALIA Award for Public Buildings - Melbourne Recital Centre (VIC)
- AECOM Award for Sustainable Development
 - Highly commended – The Bendigo Centre (VIC)
 - Highly commended – The Gauge (VIC)

Winners were announced at the 2009 Property Council of Australia Rider Levett Bucknall National Innovation and Excellence Awards gala dinner held at Sydney’s Convention & Exhibition Centre on Saturday 13 June 2009.

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