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Callide Power Station staff rise to green challenge

Winners of a recent World Environment Day competition at Callide Power Station are helping improve the environment on-site and in their homes.

The station threw down the challenge to staff on World Environment Day on June 5 by inviting them to submit suggestions that would have a positive impact on the station's environmental operations.

More than 20 entries were received and the winners shared prizes to be used in their homes, such as energy efficient lighting, water saving shower heads and aluminium can crushers

Callide Environmental Engineer, and one of a panel of judges, Ben McClatchie, said he was impressed with the calibre of entries.

"The thought put into the entries shows Callide staff are taking ownership of the environment," Ben said. "Many of the winning ideas are already being put into practice on-site."

First prize went to Trainee Operator Jeff Austin, who proposed design improvements to Callide B coal pulverising mills to benefit site water quality. Second prizewinner and Electrical Technician, Wayne McAuliffe, suggested all compatible printers be set to double-sided printing to help reduce paper wastage.

Runners up prizes went to six other projects, which included ideas for:

- reducing external lighting usage
- new tree planting and irrigation projects
- installing a compost system at the on-site fruit orchard
- introducing solar water heating.
- aiding water conservation efforts by solar distillation of evaporation pond water and recycling
- · installing battery bins on-site.

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