## **Best Remedial Project (<\$1M)**

## Kleinfelder & Flinders Power

Thank you to ALGA.

I'm Alex Savaglia and I am so pleased accept this award on behalf of the Kleinfelder South Australia team and Flinders Power's team, including Brad Williams & Peter Georgaris who are with us this evening.

As the project manager for these remediation works,

I am thankful that Flinders Power saw the potential dedication,
planning and commitment the team proposed to this project.

Not many know this, but I actually joined Kleinfelder specifically to work on the Leigh Creek Coal Mine and Augusta Power Station remediation program.

Having received a call from Damien Skinner, SA and Victoria Area Manager, and project director for these works,

I was thrilled to be working with the Kleinfelder Team, and a Client that was dedicated to a pragmatic and scientific approach to site remediation.

I think the tonight's award goes to show what can be achieved when Consultant,

Client,

and Regulator are informed about progress, and aligned with respect to the end result.

Specifically relating to the Augusta Power station,

as this was the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian facility of its kind to be decommissioned, rehabilitated and remediated, this really was a dream project to be involved with (albeit a little sad to admit that).

However, the opportunity to complete the remediation works including:

Excavation of over 3,000m<sup>3</sup> of impacted soils relating to legacy spills and leaks

across 8 remediation areas

Sustainably treating the excavated material for reuse on-site

And produce all the reports to track progress,

telling the story of how we got to the end point, and have regulatory acceptance all within 18 months What more could you want!?

For that is what we should all intend to do - clean up the impacts of our world and put things right.

Ultimately the whole team brought their A-game and the project achieved Flinders Power's objective of leaving the site ready and suitable for ongoing commercial use.

As a final note on succession,

I'm pleased to say that Kleinfelder are now supporting the new owner of the site

through the post remediation monitoring plan, and environmental approvals for the future development of the Former Augusta Power station.

Thank you for this award

and thank you ALGA for recognising the work of dedicated Contaminated Land professionals out there.