

Media Release

Supply Nation announces return of highly successful Leadership Roundtable

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Supply Nation is pleased to announce the return of its highly successful Member Leadership Roundtable – a strategic forum comprised of representatives from its corporate, government and non-profit members.

Established in 2015 and paused in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Roundtable has been re-established to support Supply Nation members in their commitment to building a sustainable, vibrant and prosperous Indigenous economy.

Following a competitive Expression of Interest (EOI) process and shortlisting against defined criteria, 15 members have been selected to form the renewed Leadership Roundtable. They represent a diverse range of industries, geographic locations, and subject matter expertise.

These organisations and departments are actively engaging and transacting with Indigenous businesses and are demonstrating strong leadership in growing and supporting the sector. The Roundtable will provide a forum for feedback, collaboration, and the co-development of practical solutions that enable more effective partnerships between leading buyers and Indigenous businesses.

The Roundtable will also provide Supply Nation with a valuable mechanism to test concepts and programs prior to broader implementation, helping to drive innovation, build capacity and enhance knowledge sharing. Members may be invited to join specific working groups or subcommittees aligned with their interests and experience.

Supply Nation welcomes the following members, who will meet on a quarterly basis and serve a two-year term:

- ANZ Bank
- BAE Systems Australia
- Boeing Defence Australia
- Commonwealth Bank
- CPB Contractors
- Cushman & Wakefield
- Department of Defence
- Department of Finance
- Fulton Hogan
- Laing O'Rourke
- Lendlease
- Qantas
- Rio Tinto
- Ventia Pty Ltd
- Wilson Group

Supply Nation manages the largest national database of verified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses – Indigenous Business Direct. Over 5,700 suppliers from every state, territory and sector of the Australian economy are listed. Supply Nation has more than 850 corporate, government and non-profit members dedicated to growing their supplier diversity practices.

Over its 15-year history, Supply Nation has facilitated more than \$20 billion of procurement spend from its members to its Registered and Certified Suppliers, strengthening the Indigenous business sector and creating lasting economic opportunities.

About Supply Nation

Supply Nation is Australia's leading supplier diversity organisation. Since 2009, Supply Nation has worked with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses and procurement teams from government and corporate Australia to help shape today's rapidly evolving Indigenous business sector. Supply Nation's rigorous verification process provides peace of mind by ensuring that all businesses listed on Indigenous Business Direct are not only Indigenous owned but are regularly audited for changes in company structure. Supply Nation's support, combined with a range of business tools, helps our members develop their supplier diversity practices, and build a strong, successful, and sustainable Indigenous business sector.

Supply Nation has a zero-tolerance approach to any commercial fraud, dishonest or anti-competitive behaviour that impacts the successful growth and reputation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander owned businesses. Allegations of fraudulent behaviour, including the unauthorised use of Supply Nation's brand and logos signifying Certified and Registered business will be investigated.

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