

## Media Release

### Supply Nation welcomes new Board Directors

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The Supply Nation Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Jenni Collard, General Manager at Rio Tinto and Katie Wyatt, Head of Diversity & Inclusion at BHP Group as non-executive Directors effective 1 July 2025.

Ms Collard, a descendant of the Yadhigana / Wuthathi and Guringji peoples has over 25 years of experience in the public service and the mining industries, with broad expertise in Indigenous affairs, social policy, program management, and regional development.

At Rio Tinto, Ms Collard's responsibilities include oversight of the internal group audit function to ensure compliance with the highest standards of governance and ethics.

Ms Wyatt a proud Noongar / Yamatji woman, brings with her significant experience in leadership and organisation development working with some of Australia's largest organisations including BHP, PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), Accenture and Australia Post. Ms Wyatt has fulfilled a senior role at Social Traders and has a unique retail and supply-chain perspective having worked with Coles Group as Head of Culture and Inclusion.

"We are extremely pleased to welcome Jenni and Katie to the Supply Nation Board. Both appointees possess significant experience in Indigenous Affairs and business. The appointments will bring new perspectives and expertise to the Board at a critical time for Supply Nation and the Indigenous business sector as we look for opportunity in the changing global economy," said Damien Barnes, Co-Chair, Supply Nation Board.

"Now, more than ever, our Board values deep expertise and understanding of the importance of diversity and inclusion initiatives in business and the value they bring to Indigenous communities. The Board is delighted that both Katie and Jenni have accepted the invitation to join us as we look to embark on ambitious initiatives to support the growth of Indigenous businesses across Australia," said Penny Bingham-Hall, Co-Chair, Supply Nation Board.

Information on Supply Nation's Board can be found [here](#).

#### Quote attributable to Jenni Collard

"Supply Nation continues to play a critical role in supporting the growth of Indigenous business and economic empowerment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. I look forward to contributing to the Board to enhance and grow the Indigenous businesses we serve and the sector more broadly, particularly in my home state of Western Australia."

### **Quote attributable to Katie Wyatt**

“I am very pleased to join the Supply Nation Board. It is extremely important to support the growth and success of Indigenous-owned businesses through procurement and commercial collaboration which has been proven to result in positive social outcomes. I hope that my expertise across broad industry sectors will be of value not only to Supply Nation but to all our suppliers and members.”

### **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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