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### **Sedgman named 2011 Australian Exporter of the Year**

#### **Key Points**

- Sedgman wins Prime Minister's 2011 Australian Exporter of the Year Award
- Australian Exporter of the Year is selected from the winners of 12 national categories, and Sedgman was also the winner of the National Minerals and Energy Award
- Follows on from win at 2011 Premier of Queensland Export Award in Minerals and Energy category, announced in October 2011

Leading resource sector services company Sedgman Limited (ASX Code: SDM) was named the Prime Minister's Australian Exporter of the Year for 2011 at a gala ceremony held at the Convention Centre in Brisbane last night.

The award was presented by Trade Minister Craig Emerson and accepted on behalf of Sedgman by Alan Ainsworth, Executive General Manager – Projects.

The Prime Minister's Australian Exporter of the Year is selected from the winners of 12 national categories, and Sedgman was also the winner of the National Minerals and Energy Award. This follows on from the company's success at the Premier of Queensland's Export Awards in October, where it took out the Premier of Queensland's Export Award in the Minerals and Energy category.

The Prime Minister Julia Gillard praised Sedgman's commitment to innovation and sustainability, and congratulated the company on its achievements saying they exemplify the skill and professionalism of Australian exporters and their importance to the national economy.

Trade Minister Craig Emerson said the wide range and high calibre of the winning group reflected the depth and diversity of the Australian economy. "Many of the winners gained an edge on their competitors by developing or adopting new technology, especially in the field of clean energy."

The Australian Export Awards is one of the country's longest-running and most prestigious business award programs. It honours the achievements of Australian exporters and celebrates their contribution to national prosperity.

Sedgman Managing Director Nick Jukes said the win reflected Sedgman's success and innovation in exports, and is testament to the company's ability to engineer mineral processing plants that provide the resources industry with sustainable solutions now and into the future.

"We are honoured to be recognised by the Prime Minister and win Australia's top award for exporting. We continue to expand into new territories, and invest in our people and technology to provide our clients globally with market leading services."

Mr Jukes said, "Sedgman is positioned very strongly in the coming year to deliver a range of projects and continue its excellence in contract operations both within Australia and abroad."

## **About Sedgman**

**Sedgman Limited** (ASX: SDM) was established in 1979 and is a leading provider of mineral processing and associated infrastructure solutions to the global resources industry. Specialising in the design, construction and operation of coal handling and preparation plants (CHPPs), Sedgman is recognised internationally for its mineral processing and materials handling technologies.

Sedgman listed on the ASX in June 2006. The company has over 1,000 employees and approximately 2,300 contract staff, and services the global coal and metalliferous markets by offering innovative Engineering and Operations capabilities.

Head Office is in Brisbane with international offices established in Beijing, Santiago and Centurion targeting the growth regions of China/Mongolia, South America and southern Africa.

Sedgman is the Prime Minister's Australian Exporter of the Year for 2011. The company also won both the Australian Export Award and the Premier of Queensland's Export Award in the Minerals and Energy category in 2011, and the Australian Export Award and the Premier of Queensland's Export Award in the Large Services category in 2010.

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