

NT Newsletter



June edition: GDF SUEZ and Santos, **Shell Prelude FLNG**, Origin Energy, **Imperial Oil and Gas**, Primary Gold Limited, **Arafura Resources**, Excalibur Mining, **ERA**, TNG Limited, **Tellus**, Emmerson Resources, **AACo**, Maninh Kirmmu Limited, **Kurringal Flats**, Upgrading cattle roads, **Ichthys**, ECB Training Services, **HR Advance Briefing Session**, Post Budget Luncheon with Paul Clitheroe AM, **NT Telstra Business Awards**, Safe Work Australia, and more..

Top story

GDF SUEZ and Santos to review alternative development concepts to FLNG for Bonaparte LNG

GDF SUEZ, as the operator (60%), and the Australian company Santos (40%) announced on 19 June that the Bonaparte LNG project will consider other potential development options in addition to the FLNG concept to develop the Petrel, Tern and Frigate natural gas fields, located 250 kilometres offshore west of Darwin. These options will include a pipeline connection to Darwin.

While the partners firmly believe the fields have material value, having been fully appraised, their future development using floating LNG technology, although technically robust as demonstrated during extensive pre-FEED studies, does not currently meet companies' commercial requirements.

Consequently, the proposed Bonaparte floating LNG

project will not be taken into the front-end-engineering and design (FEED) phase at this point in time.

GDF SUEZ is one of the leading LNG players in the world and the main LNG importer in Europe. The Group has a large and diversified portfolio of LNG supplies, representing 16 MTPA and targeting 20 MTPA by 2020. It operates a fleet of 14 LNG carriers and has a significant presence in regasification terminals around the world. To expand its portfolio of LNG supplies, GDF SUEZ is involved in the development of 2 other liquefaction plants projects: Cameron LNG project in the USA, whose final investment decision is expected this year and Cameroon LNG in Cameroon.

Source: gdfsuezbbonaparte.com.au

Stats

June 2014*

Number of enquiries received: **473**

Total estimated value: **\$37.577 million**

Number of NT nominations: **526**

Number of new NT company profiles: **7**

*Figures for 1–30 June 2014 inclusive.

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Welcome

The Western Australian Government isn't going to lie down with its attempts to gain as much traction as it can for servicing the off-shore oil and gas industry. They've recently announced an area as much as 330 hectares of land has been earmarked for industrial development in Broome.

The project will be delivered in 4 stages with the first stage expected to start next year, developing 40 industrial lots ranging from 6000 square meters to 5 hectares. Stage 1 alone will require an investment of around \$51m by the State Government and LandCorp.

There's no doubting Darwin will have to stay on its toes as far as the advantage it has in infrastructure and capability. It isn't particularly close to some of these off-shore projects that are driving development here, but it is much closer than Perth and there is

nowhere in between that can offer anywhere near the capability levels.

Broome is closer to the projects and will be used for crew movements, some logistics, etc. Building up its ability to service industry needs is a smart move and ensures Darwin cannot take anything for granted.

The construction of the Marine Supply Base was our own smart move, but so was the allocation of land currently known as the Common User Area near East Arm Wharf. It's strategic land which is yet to achieve its intended goal of attracting larger construction and assembly projects, and subsequently requiring local companies to sub-contract. I believe its time is coming and it will be important in both retaining and attracting new work.

Kevin Peters,
Chief Executive Officer



Projects

Shell has posted a video update of the Prelude FLNG, which is currently being built at the Samsung Heavy Industries (SHI) yard in Geoje, South Korea.

[Click here](#) to view.

Source: lnqworldnews.com

Origin Energy has agreed to acquire Karoon Gas' 40% stakes of two Poseidon discovery-hosting blocks in Western Australia's Browse Basin in a major deal worth up to \$US800 million (\$A863.3 million).

Source: energynewspremium.net

Empire Energy's subsidiary **Imperial Oil and Gas** has overcome delays to begin preliminary exploration drilling in the McArthur Basin, Northern Territory. Onsite setup for the company's stage 1 drilling program will begin next week, with work programs approved by the Northern Land Council.

Source: energynewsbulletin.net

Primary Gold Limited has advised that a 5,000 metre drilling programme has commenced at its 100% owned Toms Gully gold project, located southeast of Darwin in the NT.

Source: primarygold.com.au

Rare earths company **Arafura Resources** has received \$A4.1 million as a tax refund for research and development expenditures related to its Nolans project in the NT.

The refund brings Arafura's total cash reserves to \$25.4 million.

Source: miningnewspremium.net

Excalibur Mining has entered into a joint venture with **Sunda Exploration** to

procure services to allow the early treatment of tailings and the rehabilitation of its Tennant Creek gold properties in the NT.

Under the JV Sunda is free to pursue additional external contracts, but has granted Excalibur the right to acquire 20% of Sunda by the issue of shares.

Source: miningnewspremium.net

ERA has received written approval from the Commonwealth Minister for Industry to commence the implementation of ERA's restart plan at Ranger mine.

Source: energyres.com.au

This month **TNG Limited** have announced:

- the signing of a Letter of Intent with Woojin Ind., Co., Ltd., and the signing of a strategic agreement with Gunvor Group in relation to its Mt Peake project and;
- Co-funding has been secured from the NT Department of Mines and Energy to test two significant base metal targets at its McArthur River Project.

Source: tngltd.com.au

Tellus Board approves Chandler salt mine project proceeding to the next stage, which is capital raising to complete feasibility studies and regulatory approvals.

Source: tellusholdings.com

Emmerson Resources has signed a deal with mid-tier gold producer Evolution Mining worth up to \$A28.87 million to fast-track the development of the

Tennant Creek mineral field in the NT.

Source: miningnewspremium.net

AACo has contracted to purchase an aggregation of the Pell Airstrip and Tortilla properties close to Darwin. AACo will pay \$8 million for the properties, which total 5,473 hectares, with settlement scheduled for July 2014. Source: aaco.com.au

AACo has also starting to buy cattle and bring them close to Darwin in preparation for the opening of the new abattoir. Read ABC's full article [here](#)

Maninh Kirmu Limited has been given \$15,000 to help conduct a feasibility study for a resort near Wadeye.

Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au

Key infrastructure works began this month in the Fannie Bay area which will provide for the future redevelopment of the Sports House site and **Kurringal Flats** site.

An Expression of Interest was released from Kurringal Flats in February and the Department of Housing is currently assessing the proposals.

Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au

More than \$45 million has been committed in the 2014-15 budget towards **upgrading priority cattle roads**. Minister for Transport Peter Styles said strengthening capacity on these roads, were a priority the government was focussing on due to the increase in heavy vehicles bringing cattle into port.

Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au

Ichthys

As at 30 June 2014, 18,403 company expressions of interest had been received for the Ichthys project, NT companies had received 16,366 nominations and total ANZ nominations were at 22,926.

There are currently 840 packages marked as Awarded on ICN Gateway with 25 new Ichthys work package listed in June.

The Ichthys LNG Project celebrated its most significant construction milestone to date this month after officially marking 50 per cent completion. Likened to three mega-projects in one, Ichthys includes an offshore project with subsea facilities and two large floating platforms; an onshore project featuring a 8.4 million tonne per annum LNG plant in Darwin; and an 889 km 42-inch gas transmission pipeline.

The Project also welcomed the semi-submersible pipelay barge SEMAC-1 to the NT. The arrival of the 188 metre-long Saipem-operated vessel at the Darwin Outer Port Limits signals the start of important work on the Project's 889 kilometre gas export pipeline (GEP) which will connect Bladin Point to the Ichthys Field in the Browse Basin.

Source: ichthysproject.com



Company showcase

Upcoming events

ECB Training Services

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ECB Training Services (ECB) commenced trading in early 2013 with only two staff, owner operators Craig Bayley and Evelyn Clarke. They had a vision of being an Indigenous owned training organisation with a view of increasing Indigenous capacity within the Mining and Construction sectors.

Identifying an opportunity within the training sector, they commenced a gaps analysis of the sector to identify the areas where ECB was more likely to succeed. Recognising areas of high demand the business was tailored to provide risk minimisation training that is a commitment to health and safety.

The first six months of business ECB focused on providing Induction delivery and facilitation and verification of competency assessments in line with JKC requirements. However, Craig soon realised that the evolving nature of the INPEX project and associated training requirements the business was not going to develop by solely offering these services. ECB also had to contend with the fact that they were not yet a Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

ECB knew they needed to work towards becoming an RTO but they also understood the difficulties and financial commitment associated with the process. ECB identified an RTO that specialised in the mining and civil construction area that had no foot print in the Northern Territory.

Within two months of operating ECB established an auspicing arrangement with a RTO namely Pegasus Training, a national organisation. ECB continue to foster and grow their relationship with Pegasus who have increased their scope of delivery to reflect the arrangement.

Now being under a banner of an RTO, ECB have been able to expand their training services to include high demand training requirements such as Training Management and Consultancy, Workplace Health and Safety, Health and Safety Representative Training, VOC Services, Work Health and Safety legislative obligation seminars, Incident Investigation and report writing and Induction Training (incorporating cultural awareness).

Within the short time that ECB has been operating they have added 6 new training programs, and now employ 9 staff.



HR Advance Briefing Session



When: 4 July 2014

HR Advance is a website that gives you access to a comprehensive library of fully customisable HR, IR and Safety documents including contracts, policies, forms, communications, and checklists. All documents come with extensive notes on their use and application.

[Click here](#) for further information on this event

Post Budget Luncheon with Paul Clitheroe AM

The Chamber of Commerce NT and All Financial Services invites you to attend a post-Budget Luncheon with leading financial commentator Paul Clitheroe AM, at the Escarpment Restaurant in Katherine on Tuesday 22 July, 11.00am - 1.00pm.

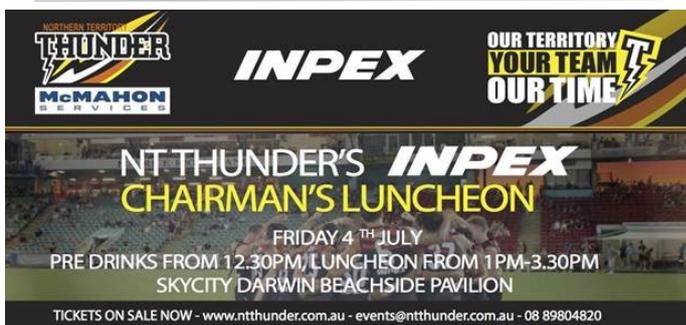
Hear what the 2014-15 Federal Budget could mean for your business and your family finances.

Registration's essential before **Friday 18 July**.

[Click here](#) for further information on this event

Did you know the Chamber are holding training in Nhulunbuy? [Click here](#) to find out more

Further information on these events and more can be found on chambernt.com.au



In the news

Congratulations to the winners of this years NT Telstra Business Awards

- Telstra Northern Territory Business of the Year - ServiceM8
- Start-Up Award - Country Wellness Pharmacy
- Small Business Award - U B COOL PTY LTD
- Medium Business Award - Killarney Homes
- Regional Business Award - Power Projects NT

This year's winners will be flown to Melbourne to compete in the national awards on Thursday 7 August 2014.

To find out more, visit telstrabusinessawards.com

Safe Work Australia is encouraging Australian business leaders to give their workplaces a 'Heads Up' by becoming involved in an Australian first initiative to take action on mental health in their workplace.

The *Heads Up* campaign launched last month is a joint initiative by beyondblue and the Mentally Healthy Workplace Alliance, of which Safe Work Australia is a founding member.

Visit headsup.org.au to find out more

Building ministers' forum agrees to National Construction Code reforms

Federal and state ministers have agreed today to significant building regulation reforms to the National Construction Code (NCC).

Source: minister.industry.gov.au

Some of the world's **largest commercial ships** now have all-tides access to Darwin Harbour after a successful dredging operation.

"This \$3.8 million dredging project means Darwin now has a harbour that can safely accommodate the volume and scale of shipping traffic needed to support the development of Northern Australia," Chief Minister Adam Giles said.

Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au

The Utilities Commission of the Northern Territory has received an application from Northern Power Opco Pty Ltd for a licence to generate electricity. The project will be undertaken with General Electric.

Source: utilicom.nt.gov.au

Board appointments to new Government electricity corporations

The Northern Territory Government has announced membership of the boards that will oversee the two new Government Owned Corporations created by the separation of Power and Water Corporation (PWC).

Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au

Call for public comment on the Developing Northern Australia Green Paper

The Government has released the Green Paper on Developing Northern Australia for public consultation and announced the membership of the Northern Australia Advisory Group. Public submissions on the Green Paper can be lodged online until 8 August 2014.

[Click here](#) for further information

Kentz Corporation, which has contracts on the Gorgon, Ichthys and QCLNG projects in Australia – among others – is to be bought by SNC-Lavalin Group for \$C2.1 (\$A2.08) billion.

Source: energynewsbulletin.net

Airnorth has announced that from 18 August it will commence operating return services from Darwin to Gove and onto Cairns, a route currently being serviced by codeshare partner Qantas Airways under their QantasLink brand.

Airnorth will operate full service daily flights in their state-of-the-art 76-seat Embraer E170 jet fleet.

Source: airnorth.com.au



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Information for business

Feature International: Cameron Services International Pty Ltd

Cameron at a glance:

- 180 years of continuous business history
- \$ 8 + billion in annual revenues
- 27,000 + employees globally
- 300 + locations around the world
- Product portfolio spanning markets upstream to downstream
- Headquartered in Houston, Texas, USA

Cameron Services International have recently opened a new facility at 14 Mendis Road, East Arm. The facility has been fitted out with the latest service and test equipment complete with certified test room for valve and flange servicing.

Cameron Services International provide Total Valve Care services, incorporating design, procurement and sales, engineering consultancy, maintenance management, repairs, testing, installation, commissioning and training, primarily in support of the oil & gas both onshore and offshore, mining, marine and process related industries, within Australia and overseas.

Cameron engaged with major projects operating out of Darwin prior to opening the new facility but are now look to expand their operations within this region.

Find out more about Cameron Services International by visiting www.c-a-m.com

Regional Infrastructure Study

In early 2014 the NT Government through the Department of Transport, awarded a tender to a consortium led by GHD to prepare a 30-year Regional Infrastructure Plan that would include the evidence, or strong business case, to unlock investment in the Territory's regions.

The consortium, called MomeNTum, will hold regional workshops in July to provide initial findings, get feedback and get stakeholder input to prioritising the infrastructure projects that will deliver the greatest value to the Territory.

Date	Place	Venue	Time
Wednesday, 9 July	Alice Springs	Alice Springs Convention Centre	8.30 am to 12 pm plus lunch
Thursday, 10 July	Tennant Creek	Battery Hill Mining Centre	8.30 am to 12.30 pm plus lunch
Tuesday, 15 July	Katherine	Godinymayin Yijard Rivers Arts and Culture Centre	8.30 am to 12.30 pm plus lunch
Wednesday, 16 July	Darwin	Darwin Convention Centre, Waterfront Room	8.30 am to 4 pm including lunch

For further information and to RSVP, email jane@michelswarrenmunday.com.au or phone 08 8981 6445

Have you got a new idea or approach to boost the defence capability of Australia?

Duncan Watson from Defence, Science and Technology Organisation (DSTO) will conduct a presentation on Defence's Capability & Technology Demonstrator program and associated funding to industry. Learn how your company could gain funding to develop your great idea in capability and technology through to an in service product being used by Defence.

When: Tuesday, 8 July 2014 @ 10.00 am

Where: Development House, 76 The Esplanade, Darwin

RSVP: 4 July 2014

Register by email defencesupport@nt.gov.au or phone 08 8999 7520

ATO calls for business systems review in lead up to EOFY

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) is encouraging SME business owners to review their existing systems and processes to prepare for a smooth conclusion of another financial year.

[Click here](#) to read the full article

P.S.

We're on the look out for information to include in upcoming newsletters!

Are you interested in being a Showcase company?

Do you have a Good News Story you'd like to publicise?

Would you like your project included in our Projects section or listed on our website?

Speak to Elena to discuss via phone 08 8922 9434 or email elena.tsangari@icnnt.org.au

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