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## ATA launches 2017 National Trucking Industry Woman of the Year Award

The ATA is proud to celebrate International Women's Day by launching nominations for the 2017 National Trucking Industry Woman of the Year Award.

This award recognises a strong professional or personal contribution made by a woman within the Australian trucking industry.

"The contribution of women to the trucking industry is vast. We work as drivers, schedulers, mechanics managers and business directors. We keep the wheels rolling," ATA Chair, Noelene Watson, said.

"I am proud to open nominations for our 2017 award on International Women's Day," she said.

The National Trucking Industry Woman of the Year award is sponsored by Cummins South Pacific, who are committed to empowering and supporting women in the industry.

As part of its commitment, Cummins South Pacific this week held a conference of 80 senior executive women from around the Asia-Pacific region.

Cummins' senior leaders at this event included Marya Rose, Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer; Tony Satterthwaite, Vice President and President - Distribution Business; and Elizabeth Broderick, board member of *Male Champions of Change*.

"All Cummins employees – men and women – deserve equal opportunities to succeed in the workplace".

"This emphasis on equality is at the heart of Cummins' values and was the driving force behind the company's Women's Leadership Conference and Cummins' longstanding support of the National Trucking Industry Woman of the Year award," Manager of Automotive Sales and Customer Support, Scott Alexander, Cummins South Pacific, said.

"The ATA welcomes the support of Cummins South Pacific in sponsoring this award and doing so much to support equality and celebrate women's achievements," Mrs Watson said.

The National Trucking Industry Woman of the Year award will be presented at Trucking Australia 2017, held from 21 – 23 June in Darwin.

The winner will receive a week long travel package for herself and partner to visit the Cummins factory in the United States. The package will include return airfares, accommodation, transfers and meals. The prize must be redeemed by 31 December of the award year.

The winner will also be hosted to attend the ATA Foundation Sponsors Gala Dinner at Trucking Australia 2018.

Nominate an inspirational trucking industry woman now!

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About the Australian Trucking Association: The ATA is the peak body representing the trucking industry. Its members include state and sector trucking associations, major logistics companies and businesses with leading expertise in truck technology. The ATA represents many thousands of trucking businesses, ranging from owner-drivers to large fleets.