

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## Congratulations to Huonville High on international Energy prize win

Huon Valley Council Commissioner Adriana Taylor has congratulated Huonville High on winning an international renewable energy prize.

Huonville High won the Oceania Region Global High Schools Zayed Future Energy Prize, worth \$133,000, in Abu Dhabi recently. They were competing with 15 finalists from around world and team leader Toby Thorpe was presented with the prize in front of world leaders and dignitaries.

The Global High Schools prize was established in 2013 and looks for 'innovative solutions to create a new, sustainable energy future.'

Commissioner Taylor said the win by Huonville High is inspiring and shows that innovation and a desire to address the challenges of energy security and climate change are not restricted by geography or resources.

"By winning this prize on the international stage, the students and teachers at Huonville High have shown that we are an enterprising and innovative community.

"The attention and focus the prize will bring to students around energy sustainability can only bode well for the future of the Valley and the State.

"We hope that this world prize inspires other young people to think about these challenges and come up with their own solutions.



"The Council applauds the team from Huonville High for their presentation and vision and we are eager to see the results as they implement their proposals in the coming year.

"We look forward to them coming home so we can celebrate with them," Commissioner Taylor said.

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