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Water Industry Operators Association of Australia (WIOA) IXOM, South Australia, in the 2022 Best Tasting Tap Water – and the winner is Murray Bridge

Each year regional and metropolitan water operators across South Australia submit their water samples to be crowned the best-tasting water in the state, along with a year's worth of bragging rights.

With great pride, we announce that the Murray Bridge Water Treatment Plant operated by TRILITY has won this year's WIOA and IXOM's Best Tasting Tap Water in South Australia. This is a great achievement, given the challenging waters of the Murray River over recent months.

We attribute the win to our team of expert operators and the addition of KDX, who provide TRILITY's digital services division; in an ongoing role to provide sustainable operational excellence capabilities with its cutting-edge software developed specifically for advanced water treatment.

Adam Medlock, Regional Operations Manager, said, "The Best Tasting Tap Water competition is always tough within SA, so I am delighted we have taken the 2022 title. I am immensely proud of our Riverland Operations team. This result is a testament to their continued efforts through what has been a challenging water quality period."

"We carry much pride in the water treatment plants we operate, and our teams always work hard to produce the highest quality drinking water for SA Water and the communities they serve," said Adam.

The Best Tasting Tap Water competition is organised by the Water Industry Operators Association of Australia (WIOA), with an independent panel of water industry experts assessing colour, clarity, odour, and mouthfeel during blind taste tests.

TRILITY operates ten plants along the Murray River on behalf of SA Water and AMP Capital. Our Riverland Operations Team entered samples from each plant; Remark, Berri, Loxton, Barmera, Waikerie, Swan Reach, Mannum, Tailem Bend, Murray Bridge and Summit. We are proud to say that three of our plants were finalists, Remark, Loxton, and Murray Bridge. Having three TRILITY plants as finalists is a first for the WIOA and IXOM's Best Tasting Tap Water in South Australia, making this a historic achievement for our Riverland Operations team.

As the overall state winner, Murray Bridge will go on to represent South Australia against other Australian states when it competes in the national competition held in Casino, New South Wales, later this year.

The winner of the national competition will then go on to represent Australia at the annual Berkeley Springs International Water Tasting Competition held in West Virginia, USA.

WIOA Managing Director George Wall reiterated that the competition recognises and acknowledges the individuals and organisations that are stepping up, some in very trying circumstances, to ensure their communities are supplied with safe drinking water daily.



"We want to use the competition to let people know the great work that is going on in local communities around Australia and help to shape and secure Australia's water future," said George.

"WIOA would also like to acknowledge Ixom's support of the Best Tasting Tap Water competition. We have been able to run the competition through these uncertain times because of their unwavering commitment and support to the industry."

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KDX

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