

Media Release/Statement

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Water Industry Operations Association of Australia (WIOA), IXOM 2025 Best Tasting Tap Water competition, Western Australia - And the winner is Mundaring Water Treatment Plant.

Each year, regional and metropolitan water operators throughout Western Australia submit their water samples to compete for the title of the best-tasting tap water in the state, along with a year's worth of bragging rights.

It is with great pride that we announce Water Corporation's Mundaring Water Treatment Plant, operated by an Acciona TRILITY Joint Venture (ATJV), has won this year's WIOA and IXOM's Best Tasting Tap Water competition in Western Australia.

This is an outstanding achievement, and we credit our victory to our team of skilled operators and the water quality team at the Mundaring Water Treatment Plant.

The plant forms part of the Goldfields and Agricultural Water Supply Scheme, supplying safe drinking water to more than 100,000 homes, farms, mines and businesses in the region.

It is a critical asset designed to treat water from three different sources and comprises a 165 ML/d (expandable to 240 ML/d) Water Treatment Plant (WTP), a pump station, and complex integration works. The WTP uses Dissolved Air Flotation Filtration (DAFF) and Bacteriologically Activated Carbon (BAC).

Adam Medlock, General Operations Manager at TRILITY, stated, "The Best Tasting Tap Water competition is always tough, so I am delighted the ATJV have taken the 2025 title. I am immensely proud of our Mundaring Operations team. This result is a testament to their continued efforts in delivering safe and efficient water services".

"We carry much pride in the water treatment plants we operate as TRILITY or in a Joint Venture such as the ATJV, and our teams always work hard to produce the highest quality drinking water for our clients and the communities they serve," said Adam.

The Best Tasting Tap Water competition is organised by WIOA, and an independent panel of water industry experts assesses colour, clarity, odour, and mouthfeel during blind taste tests.

This is a first for the Mundaring Water Treatment Plant, winning the competition in Western Australia, marking a historic achievement for our ATJV Operations team.

As the state winner, Mundaring will proceed to represent Western Australia against other Australian states when it competes in the national competition scheduled for November 2025, in Queensland.

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 CEO Dean Barnett reiterated that the competition recognises and acknowledges the individuals and organisations who are stepping up, some in very challenging circumstances, to ensure their communities have access to safe drinking water every day.



We want to use the competition to inform people about the excellent work taking place in local communities across Australia and to help shape and secure Australia's water future," said Dean.

WIOA would also like to acknowledge IXOM's support of the Best Tasting Tap Water competition. We have been able to run the competition due to their unwavering commitment and support for the industry.

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