IVECO AUSTRALIA SHORTLISTED FOR PRESTIGIOUS MANUFACTURING AWARD

Iveco Australia has been nominated for the ‘2015 Large Manufacturer of the Year’ award as part of this year’s Victorian Manufacturing Hall of Fame ceremony held in Melbourne earlier this week.

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The category acknowledges excellence in manufacturing and was celebrated at a Gala Dinner hosted by Victorian Government Minister for Industry, the Honourable Lily D’Ambrosio, as part of National Manufacturing Week.

According to the Minister, the awards pay tribute to the contribution that Victorian manufacturers make to the state’s industry and economy.

“The 2015 Victorian Manufacturing Hall of Fame Awards presents an opportunity for all manufacturers to be recognised for their industry success,” the Minister said.

“Manufacturing contributes $25 billion to the Victorian economy. The awards recognise forward thinking manufacturers who are raising the bar in the industry, to help ensure the future of manufacturing in Victoria.”

Iveco, a speciality commercial vehicle and bus brand of industrial goods giant CNH Industrial, has been manufacturing a selection of trucks and buses at its Dandenong (Melbourne) facility since 1992 when it acquired the operation from International Trucks.

The facility currently produces five models that are either manufactured or assembled locally, using between 55 and 85 per cent of Australian-sourced components.

Iveco currently employs approximately 300 people within its Australian head office and manufacturing plant, with approximately 150 staff involved in the manufacturing process. A further 600 people are employed nationally across the CNH Industrial group.

As well as these direct jobs, Iveco has strong links to a broader nationwide supply chain of over 200 businesses, resulting in employment for hundreds more Australian manufacturing workers.

Managing Director – Iveco Australia, Michael Jonson, said the nomination was excellent recognition of a dedicated blue and white collar workforce.
“Iveco is extremely proud to be manufacturing in Australia – from those carefully constructing the vehicles on the assembly line to our engineers planning, designing and developing the trucks and buses, the whole process is a team effort,” Mr Jonson said.

“I know that I speak for all Iveco employees, that seeing our vehicles on the road filling the task for which they were designed to do, brings a tremendous feeling of achievement and pride.”

Mr Jonson said Iveco’s manufacturing plant had a long and proud history that contributed significantly to the state and national economy.

“Our site has been manufacturing commercial vehicles for over 60 years and we’re working hard to ensure it continues to do so for another 60, at least,” he said.

“As well as the many benefits that our customers enjoy from buying locally-manufactured products such as an Australian fit-for-task build and improved parts availability, our local know-how is supported by the immense knowledge and resources of CNH Industrial.

“The combination bodes well for Iveco Australia, local manufacturing and of course, our customers. We remain focused on cementing our manufacturing presence here and continuing to develop innovative and solutions-focused products well into the future.”

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Iveco Australia manufactures and imports commercial vehicles spanning the light, medium and heavy duty truck segments and, under the Iveco Bus brand, buses and coaches. The commercial vehicle range includes on and off-road models beginning with car licence vans, through to road train prime movers rated at up to 140 tonnes GCM. The Acco and Powerstar vehicles, developed and produced specifically for the Australian market, complement Iveco’s worldwide best sellers such as the Daily, Eurocargo, Trakker and Stralis. Iveco vehicles are ably supported by a dedicated network of 46 dealerships and service outlets strategically located nationwide, offering aftersales services that include extended warranties, roadside assistance and programmed maintenance contracts.

Iveco’s Australian manufacturing base in Dandenong Victoria, represents a major investment in the local truck and bus industry. Iveco directly employs more than 600 people nationwide and thousands more Australians in related industries, from retailing operations to component suppliers.

Iveco is a brand of CNH Industrial N.V., a World leader in Capital Goods listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: CNHI) and on the Mercato Telematico Azionario of the Borsa Italiana (MI: CNHI). Iveco designs, manufactures and markets a wide range of light, medium and heavy commercial vehicles, off-road trucks, and vehicles for applications such as off-road missions.

Iveco employs close to 21,000 individuals globally. It manages production sites in seven countries throughout Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania and Latin America where it produces vehicles featuring the latest
advanced technologies. 4,200 sales and service outlets in over 160 countries guarantee technical support wherever an Iveco vehicle is at work.

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