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Tasmanian Quarry Wins National Innovation Award for Downhill Conveyor

A Lindisfarne quarry operator has won a national award for its innovative solution to a challenging problem.

Hanson's quarry was presented with the Environmental Innovation Award at the Cement Concrete and Aggregates Australia (CCAA) Environmental, Health and Safety Awards at a dinner in Melbourne last night.

Faced with having to haul rock some 2.5kms off-road over a steep incline, Hanson came up with a downhill, power-generating conveyor.

The conveyor not only moves rock from a primary crusher to a stockpile, it also generates power for use by other plant on the site.

Turning a liability into an opportunity, Hanson's solution reduces its environmental impact, with reduced energy usage, reduced fossil fuel use and improved dust and noise emissions.

This is a great example of the innovation that Tasmanian industry is capable of delivering to solve problems and deliver positive outcomes.

I congratulate all involved at Hanson on this well-deserved award.

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