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FINAL DAYS FOR ENTRIES TO THE 30th ANNIVERSARY AFIA

With less than a week until nominations close for the 2019 Australian Freight Industry Awards, a previous award winner is encouraging those who have considering entering to do so.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the AFIA, giving an added sense of gravity and grandeur to this year's awards, and interest has been strong across all award categories.

2018 Investment in People winner, Barker Trailers, says the award was a big milestone for the business, which has a rich history of putting people first.

"Winning the award was fantastic acknowledgement of the drive, passion, and commitment that has been invested into the business over 45 years," Barker Trailers CEO, Simon Meadows, said.

"It's been incredibly rewarding to be recognised among industry leaders and peers, and the feedback and support across the industry has been truly humbling."

"People are – by far – our most valuable asset, so to be honoured for our investment in that was particularly gratifying and energising for everyone in the Barker team."

The Australian Freight Industry Awards are one of the highest accolades in the transport industry, recognising excellence in seven categories:

- Investment in People Award
- Best Practice Safety Award
- Application of Technology Award
- Sustainable Environment Award
- Young Achiever Award
- Female Leadership Award
- Personality of the Year Award

The 30th Anniversary Australian Freight Industry Awards are taking place at Palladium at Crown on Saturday, 7th September and are proudly sponsored by **TWUSUPER** and **Viva Energy Australia**.

Award criteria and entry forms, as well as ticket to the gala event can be found at www.vta.com.au/afia. All entries must be submitted by close of business **Monday, 26 August**.

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