

Working with Indigenous business to drive growth in the Pilbara

Pilbara Environmental Services (PES) is a joint venture (JV) with the KingKira Group, a business connected to the Nyiyaparli and Plyku Aboriginal groups and the Kariyarra and Ngarluma peoples in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. KingKira Group is a 100% female Aboriginal-owned business providing environmental integrated services and is owned by KKG Director Tammy O'Connor.

Their ethos is 'our land'. This guides their environmental management practices, ensuring they are sustainable for future generations.

Tammy's passion for training and mentoring Aboriginal people is embedded across KingKira Group's operations. Having grown up in the Pilbara, Tammy has a wealth of knowledge and insight into the local community and is able to provide education and guidance to Cleanaway to achieve successful outcomes for local communities.

PES provides solid and liquid waste management and recycling services, as well as industrial cleaning services primarily to mining, oil and gas, government, and infrastructure industries in the Pilbara. It has a flexible workforce of about 90 people and a modern fleet of about 50 trucks and ancillary equipment.

PES' key objectives include encouraging and assisting Aboriginal recruitment, training and development and support of local businesses. It also provides Aboriginal professional labour hire services. Under the JV agreement, KKG and Cleanaway collaborate to provide the people and fleet to customers under the most appropriate model for the work required.

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