



BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance

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Mine donates \$100,00 safety bonus to flood victims

BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance (BMA) Peak Downs Mine employees have donated \$50,000, which will be doubled through the BHP Billiton Matched Giving Program, to the Red Cross Mackay Foundation Flood Relief Appeal.

The Appeal, which aims to ensure all funds raised stay in the Mackay community, will help those worst affected by the recent 'one in one hundred year' rain event.

Peak Downs Mine employees recently achieved 50 days Classified Injury free and to recognise the milestone, employees received \$50,000 under the mine's safety reward system which was introduced to recognise employees' safe working performance.

In 2005, Peak Downs employees and contractors agreed to donate the \$50 individual bonus they usually earn for helping achieve site safety targets to community organisations and projects.

Peak Downs Mine's General Manager, David Crawford, paid tribute to the workforce for their decision to share their safety reward money with the community.

"Almost \$500,000 has been donated to the community since the reward program was started," David said.

"This is a great effort with most of the previous safety reward money being used to purchase equipment or items for community groups," he said.

"This is the first time we have been able to claim the matching funds because it is a straight donation."

The BHP Billiton Matched Giving Program doubles the contributions of its employees to local and national community organisations by providing a 'matching' donation for volunteer work, fundraising efforts or donations.

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