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## MEDIA RELEASE: Procurement Australia and Church Resources announce Supply Nation membership

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Procurement Australia and Church Resources, brand names of Procurement Australasia, one of Australia's largest aggregated buying groups, are now Supply Nation members.

This membership reinforces their commitment to helping close the gap by improving economic and business opportunities for Australia's Indigenous peoples and communities through their procurement processes.

Procurement Australasia has a history of initiatives designed to help close the gap for Australia's Indigenous peoples and communities, including:

- Being inaugural sponsor of the City of Melbourne's 2016 Aboriginal Enterprise Expo being held at Melbourne
- Establishing its own Aboriginal Procurement Policy

Joe Arena, Chief Executive Officer of Procurement Australasia said: "Supply Nation membership is a logical step for Procurement Australia which has an Aboriginal Procurement Policy and a number of indigenous businesses' products and services available to members through our tender and contract processes.

"For our Church Resources brand, operating exclusively in the not for profit sector, this is a new and exciting commitment," he said.



Supply Nation Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Laura Berry, said, “We are delighted to welcome Procurement Australasia, which trades as both Procurement Australia and Church Resources into the Supply Nation community and look forward to working with them to develop their supplier diversity footprint. The measure of our collective success will be in the value of transactions between Procurement Australia and Church Resources and Indigenous businesses.”

Supply Nation connects its membership to Indigenous suppliers to build a vibrant and prosperous Indigenous business sector by incorporating Indigenous owned businesses into the supply chain of Australian companies and government agencies.

Supply Nation’s mission is to facilitate, encourage and promote business between corporate Australia and Government agencies and Indigenous owned businesses.

More information on Supply Nation at [www.supplynation.org.au](http://www.supplynation.org.au)