

Knight Frank Adelaide wins SA CitySwitch award

Knight Frank's Adelaide head office at Westpac House has won an award for its sustainability initiatives

26 November 2015, Adelaide – Knight Frank's South Australian team has won a state CitySwitch award for a tenancy under 2,000 square metres. The award was appointed for Knight Frank's Adelaide head office at Westpac House, Level 25, 91 King William Street.

CitySwitch awards are part of a vision to positively influence widespread office energy and waste efficiency, to promote office sustainability within Australia's business community. The awards are given to signatories that demonstrate outstanding environmental leadership and sustainability initiatives.

According to Knight Frank's Managing Director, South Australia Peter McVann, "We are extremely proud to win the CitySwitch award for our Adelaide headquarters. We recently refurbished our office and had a strategic focus on sustainability.

"We undertook a total upgrade of all tenancy-responsible electricity consumption, including lighting, kitchen equipment, audio visual equipment, and office printing equipment. We upgraded from ageing desktop computers to energy-efficient laptops, with energy-saving software features activated," said Mr McVann.

Knight Frank's Head of Sustainability, South Australia Nick Mavropsi said the entire Sustainability team got involved. "Our team contributed to managing our energy initiatives, improving our office from a 4 Star NABERS rating in 2014 to a 5 Star NABERS rating in 2015.

"The new fit-out components helped us with the improvement, but it was the constant monitoring, management and tuning by the Sustainability team at Knight Frank that helped us to secure the higher rating.

"At Knight Frank, we believe that we need to 'walk the talk' and take a leadership role as a responsible real estate services company in reducing our carbon footprint. We have demonstrated this to our staff and clients by reducing our environmental impact through minimising our resource usage," concluded Mr Mavropsi.

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