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INDUSTRY ACCOLADE FOR HORIZON FINANCIAL

Horizon Financial is a finalist in a prestigious industry award recognising the Cairns company's business acumen in a challenging economic climate.

The 2009 MFAA (Mortgage Finance Association of Australia) Excellence Awards will be announced at the annual presentation dinner on Friday February 27 at the Sydney Convention Centre.

Horizon Financial Managing Director Mark Turnbull said he was delighted with his company's success in the category of Finance Broking Business (2-5 loan writers) as it was an endorsement of Horizon's work ethic and focus on providing innovative finance solutions.

"These awards also recognise the commitment from Horizon Financial's staff to provide a professional service while delivering customer service excellence in a highly competitive and challenging market," he said.

The nomination by Australia's peak regulating body for the finance industry comes only months after Mr Turnbull was awarded the Mortgage Professional Australia's No.1 Commercial Broker of the Year for the second time running.

His success has seen him in demand as a speaker in the finance industry. On February 25 Mr Turnbull will be presenting Case Study: Maintaining a Strong Industry Presence Despite Slowing Market Demand at the 5th Annual Mortgage Processing 2009 conference in Sydney. He returns to Sydney on March 25 to be a panelist in a session entitled Aligning Business Goals to Foster Growth at the Mid-Market Australia 2009.

Horizon Financial was founded in Cairns almost nine years ago by Donna and Mark Turnbull. Since then it has developed in to a competitive commercial and residential finance broking and travel business employing 12 staff and in 2008 wrote a combined total of \$170 million in finance.

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