



CARTER HOLT HARVEY INNOVATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD:

This award recognises a building surveying professional, or a team engaged in building surveying activities, who has demonstrated commitment to innovation in building surveying.

When looking at innovation, most people immediately think of products. But it can also be a new way of doing something or even a new way of thinking.

The purpose of innovation is to come up with new ideas or technology that will increase productivity and generate greater value and output with the same or less input.

The winner of this year's award was involved with one of the most unique and interesting projects to be built in New Zealand. It is one of those "once in a lifetime" projects where involvement is a legacy and recognition is huge. A need for appropriate personnel investment and high levels of interdisciplinary collaboration were essential.

This evening we are honouring a BCA team brought together to approve a project with a budget of \$344 million which includes buildings, but additionally infrastructure to ensure generation of 97% of their energy needs.

This BCA team involved 4 highly qualified and experienced building surveyors, who worked closely with the projects design team as well as experienced members of the organisation the buildings were being built for, to fully to understand the complexity of the project and build. The level of complexity meant all parties agreeing on the most appropriate compliance pathway and importantly satisfying the necessary legal reviews.

The BCA team in developing a compliance pathway established a great working relationship with all parties. They resolved to use of Schedule 1 and Clause 2 (Discretionary Exemption) as an appropriate compliance pathway for the main areas of consideration for compliance with the Building Code. Legal teams for both the ultimate building owner (a unique government agency) and the BCA reviewed and established grounds of responsibility and liability for all parties.

Consisting of 3 interconnecting buildings to house up to 100 people, the complex includes:

- an accommodation, dining and welfare building,
- a science and welfare building and
- an engineering and storage building.

To be constructed in the port area of the local BCA, the final resting place of this project will be in one of the most remote places on the planet.

With the design phase to be completed towards the end of 2022 and construction to start in 2023, the compliance pathway has looked to overcome construction delays through a stage exemption process across 3 exemption applications, covering;

- structural,
- weathertight, and
- internal work elements.



This “outside the box” methodology has all involved excited and privileged to be part of the redevelopment of Scott Base, New Zealand’s home on the ice –

A safe, fit-for-purpose, sustainable research facility to support New Zealand’s presence in Antarctica for the next 50 years.

Ladies and Gentlemen, please join me in welcoming to the stage the recipient of the 2022:

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