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Airservices leader finalist in Telstra Business Women's Awards

Airservices General Manager Learning Academy, Linda Spurr, has been named as a finalist in the Telstra Business Women's Awards for the Australian Capital Territory, in recognition of her commitment and innovation in education and development of people's career pathways.

Ms Spurr, who is responsible for training and education at Airservices, leads a workforce of 450 people, including 250 trainees, to meet Airservices training and development needs and regulatory requirements.

Airservices Acting Chief Executive Officer, Jason Harfield, congratulated Ms Spurr and acknowledged her leadership Airservices Learning Academy.

"As the organisation responsible for helping to get you home safely every time you step onto a plane, training is absolutely critical to our operations," Mr Harfield said.

"Our training helps ensure our air traffic controllers, technical officers, aviation fire fighters and corporate and support staff have the necessary skills to continue to deliver safe and efficient services for our airline customers, aviation stakeholders and the travelling public.

The Telstra Business Women's Awards are the longest running women's award program in Australia and recognise the brilliant business women of today and tomorrow. Ms Spurr is a finalist in the ACT Government and Academia categories.

"I am honoured to have been named as a finalist in these awards and am proud to be part of an organisation that values training so highly," Ms Spurr said.

"I have found my niche in education—creating opportunities for people straight out of school or mature students who need a change and support is very satisfying.

"I would also like to commend all of our staff, including the staff in our Learning Academy who have worked hard to improve the quality of training and ensure that Airservices staff are well trained and fully equipped."

Airservices is a Registered Training Organisation and was a finalist in the 'Employer of the Year' category at the Victorian Training Awards in 2014 and 2015.

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