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EROAD's Electronic Logging Device (ELD) development wins PMINZ 'Project of the Year'

29 September 2017 Auckland The Project Management Institute of New Zealand (PMINZ) has awarded EROAD's Electronic Logging Device (ELD) development its Project of the Year at the institute's annual awards.

PMINZ is the New Zealand arm of the Project Management Institute with almost half-a-million members in more than 280 countries. The award recognises the success of a project and the project team, for the superior performance and execution of exceptional project management.

EROAD developed its ELD to help US customers meet regulatory requirements that drivers' hours of service be recorded electronically, a move to support improved road safety.

Earlier this year, EROAD became the first provider to deliver an independently verified and compliant ELD (electronic logging device) to the US market. Independent testing was carried out by PIT Group, which specializes in the testing and implementation of transportation-related products across North America. Testing confirmed that the EROAD ELD meets FMCSA (Federal Motor Carriers Safety Association) requirements.

EROAD chief executive Steven Newman said the company was delighted to have won the award, not least because of the high calibre of the competition.

"Our ELD was delivered on time and within budget and was by far our biggest and most complex research and development project so far undertaken by EROAD," he said. "It's a credit to the whole team, and complements the very positive response we've had from customers for this service."

The ELD utilised EROAD's Ehubo2 in-vehicle device, and was developed to meet the regulatory requirements of the US Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administration (FMCSA) rule, published in December, 2015. This rule requires 4.3 million North American drivers to record their logbook records electronically using an ELD, one of the most significant changes in North American transportation in 60 years.

Mr Newman said the project took around ten months and involved more than one hundred team members in Auckland, New Zealand and Portland, Oregon. There were no ELDs in the market when the development began, so the technology was new, and it had to be delivered before an adoption window in the market closed, the rule set for introduction in December, 2017.

Not only had EROAD been first to market with an independently verified, comprehensive in-vehicle tax and ELD platform in the US, but the company had delivered a market leading product in terms of quality, said Mr Newman. Like all its transport technology services, the ELD provides an easy and convenient user experience.

"It's one thing to develop quickly, but a real achievement to do so at the very highest quality – that's something we're very proud of," said Mr Newman.



EROAD's Project Manager for the ELD development Cherie Murray was a finalist in PMINZ's Project Manager of the Year award for her role in managing the project.

The sponsor of the PMINZ award, Psoda, stated: "EROAD was selected as a finalist because not only did it have a very tight, fixed deadline, it was also a very complex project that followed good project management processes."

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About EROAD

EROAD modernises road charging and compliance for road transport by replacing paper-based systems with easy-to-use electronic systems. The company is headquartered in Auckland, New Zealand, and listed on the New Zealand Exchange (NZX). Its US business is based in Portland, Oregon, serving customers with vehicles operating in every US mainland state, growing outward in concentration from the Northwest. In 2009 EROAD introduced the world's first nationwide electronic road user charging (eRUC) system in New Zealand and, in 2017, more than 50% of heavy transport RUC is expected to be collected electronically, representing a rapid transition to e-commerce on a voluntary, industry-led basis, due to the cost-savings and benefits to customers. EROAD is also a leading provider of health and safety compliance services, including vehicle management and driver behaviour and performance measures. www.eroad.co.nz

Video: [How we made the EROAD ELD](#)

Caption:

EROAD Project Manager Cherie Murray with James Dobson, President of PMINZ (left), and Bruce Aylward, CEO of Psoda