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Transfield Services helps Power expand Aboriginal employment outcomes

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Up to six South Australian Aboriginal school students could land jobs at the end of 2011 thanks to the Aboriginal Power Cup and new Port Adelaide partner Transfield Services.

As part of Transfield Services coming on board as a Support Sponsor for the Cup program, they will seek up to six junior employees from Cup participants every year over the next five years.

Last year Santos became the Major Partner of the Aboriginal Power Cup for three years, helping expand the Cup and its associated career programs.

Port Adelaide Chief Executive Mark Haysman says it's an outstanding new partnership, which will help the club deliver further results from its community programs.

"At Port Adelaide we pride ourselves on our community programs, and to have Transfield Services come on board to deliver up to six direct employment opportunities for Aboriginal students every year via the Aboriginal Power Cup program is just outstanding," Haysman said.

"This is a great example of how we can work in partnership with businesses such as Santos and Transfield Services to make a very real difference to our community and to people's lives."

The Aboriginal Power Cup program runs across two school terms and uses football as a tool to encourage young Aboriginal secondary school students to attend school and to provide a pathway to workforce participation.

In its first year the program contributed to a 23% increase in school attendance from participants. The program – which now also includes a jobs expo – also helps develop life skills such as teamwork, leadership and a healthy lifestyle.

In 2010 almost 300 students from 17 schools across South Australia were involved in the Cup program, which culminates each year in a football carnival at Alberton Oval and AAMI Stadium.

This year the Cup will run across terms 1 and 2, culminating in the carnival and finals on 24-26 June.

The Aboriginal Power Cup program was first created in 2008 by the Port Adelaide Football Club, the Attorney-General's Department and the SA Aboriginal Sports Training Academy (SAASTA).

Transfield Services General Manager for South Australia, Adam Machon, says: "We are pleased to support the Port Adelaide Football Club and have the opportunity to jointly

promote Aboriginal employment outcomes.

“As we grow our business in South Australia, we will also look to expand our relationship and support to the local community which includes the Port Adelaide Football Club.”

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