Cool deal for a local business on offer

Local lighting supplier Creative Lighting Solutions, from the Byron Arts & Industry Estate, will kickstart the Byron Shire Cool Businesses program by offering a free and full fit-out of energy efficient lights for one lucky shop in Byron Bay's town centre.

'As compact fluoro (CFL) globes, CFL halogen replacements and LED lights reduce energy use by a massive 60%-80% my offer will save the shopkeeper a lot of money and at the same time save a lot of greenhouse gas emissions,' said Sean McGovern, proprietor of Creative Lighting Solutions. 'It will be a win/win all round for the shop and for the environment.'

Lighting and airconditioning are the two big ticket items for commercial premises.

This offer is open to all shops in Byron's town centre and applications will need to be submitted to NCCAG, 'Cool Business Deal', PO Box 640, Mullumbimby 2482, by Friday March 23. Applications will need to specify: 1. Name, location and type of business, 2. Name and contact details of proprietor, 3. Number and type of existing internal and external lights, 4. Your interest in applying for this free offer.



The Byron Shire Cool Businesses program is a joint initiative of North Coast Climate Action Group (NCCAG) and Byron Sustainable Ventures Network. They have been looking at a range of initiatives to help businesses reduce energy use

and are looking at the idea of a Community Carbon Bank. For further information on these initiatives phone Mitra Ardon on 6684 8096.

NCCAG has also recently trained a small group of volunteers as basic, home energy assessors. If you have high power bills and would like to see how you can save on your bills and take significant and positive steps to help fight climate change, then register your interest in a free assessment by phoning Kylie Flavell on 6680 8370.

Says NCCAG, 'Tim Flannery puts it this way: If we are to win the war on climate change we all must be part of the solution.'

For further information on NCCAG go to www.nccag. org or phone 6684 2272 on Wednesday/Thursday, 10am-4pm.

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