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Nominate Smart Ipswich Women for the *Smart State Awards 2008*

The Smart Women – Smart State Awards celebrate Queensland women and girls working in or studying science, engineering or information and communication technology (ICT), and the 2008 awards are now open for nominations announced the Member for Ipswich Ms Rachel Nolan.

“These awards are a great way for the government to formally recognise the talented and clever women in our community who are passionate about science, engineering and ICT”, said Ms Nolan.

Queensland women are excelling in these traditionally male-dominated fields and are important role models for a new generation of high achieving females.

“Science, engineering and ICT continues to transform Queensland and the women contributing to our state’s prosperity and growth are an inspiration to a new generation of females.

“I would strongly encourage our education community and workplaces to take the opportunity to celebrate the remarkable women contributing to our city and state through their involvement in science, engineering and ICT”, said Ms Nolan.

Categories include:

- Secondary school students
- Undergraduate and postgraduate students studying science, engineering or ICT
- Women in Industry/Business and the Community/Public Sector
- A Green Award; and
- A Community Innovation Award

Prizes of between \$2000 and \$3000 are awarded to the winners in each category.

Nominations must be received by 5pm on Friday 4 July 2008. For more information and nomination guidelines visit www.women.qld.gov.au/smartwomanawards or phone 1800 177 577.