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Santos extends partnership with Darwin Festival

Australian energy company Santos is delighted to announce a new three-year partnership with Darwin Festival, which will extend its association with this iconic event to 18 years.

Darwin Festival is the premier artistic event of the Top End, an annual 18-day celebration of the unique and vibrant culture and lifestyle of the Northern Territory. This year the festival opens on Thursday, 11 August.

Santos has been involved with the festival since 1996, supporting the event's aim to establish the Northern Territory as a cultural destination and showcasing the immense talent of the region.

Santos WA & NT Vice President, John Anderson, said Santos has had a long-time involvement with the festival's opening night, better known to locals as the Santos Concert, and was pleased to continue its commitment to the event.

"It's a free concert for everyone to enjoy and celebrates the unique mix of multicultural performance which defines Darwin and the Top End," he said.

"It's a great opportunity to connect with contemporary Indigenous music and dance, and we are delighted to maintain our strong association with the festival."

Darwin Festival General Manager, Edwina Lunn, said the festival was thrilled that Santos had extended its association and continued to get behind the Northern Territory community.

"Santos is one of our longest-running corporate sponsors and we are grateful for the support it has provided to the festival and to our Top End audiences over the many years," she said.

Santos has been a long-time producer of natural gas for the Northern Territory domestic market and is the only Australian company with an interest in the Darwin LNG plant at Wickham Point. It is also in joint venture with French energy company GDF SUEZ to develop the Bonaparte LNG project, in the Bonaparte Basin.

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