

Finalists named for top business awards

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THE FINALISTS in the 2009 FNB/Pearl Coral 4 KZN Top Business Portfolio Awards have been announced and the

winners will be revealed at a gala dinner at the ICC in Durban on July 23.

“First National Bank supports and encourages South Africa’s growing business sec-

tor and we are able to further commit our partnership and support of business through initiatives such as the business awards,” said Pearl Bengu, FNB Public Sector Business, regional director.

The finalists are: Agriculture: Tongaat Hulett, Orange Grove Dairy, NCT Forestry Cooperative; Mining: Richards Bay Minerals, Corobrik, Exxaro KZN Sands; Manufacturing: Willowton Oils, Afripack, Southern African Shipyards; Construction: Group 5 KZN, JT Ross, Elma Engineering Services; Trade: Mr Price, ARB Electrical, AF-GRI Producer Services; Transport: Grindrod, Mediterranean Shipping Company, Richards Bay Coal Terminal; Utilities:

Umgeni Water, Mhlathuze Water, Spring Lights Gas; Business and Financial Services: Tongaat Hulett, DRG Outsourcing, Durban International Convention Centre; Community and Social Services: East Coast Radio, Durban Investment Promotion Agency, South African Sugar Association; Tourism: Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, Zim-bali Coastal Resort, Sibaya Casino and Entertainment Kingdom.

Apart from sector awards, the top award will be given to a private public partnership currently active in development projects in KwaZulu-Natal. This award is in line with current trends in investment and promotion of sustainable growth in the country.

