

Clearwater Services are estimating a diverse range of jobs in 50% of the time

Clearwater Services specialise in a diverse range of works including builder's cleaning, road services, traffic control, line marking/signs, civil works and kerb and gutters. Founded by Peter Kovic in 1974, Clearwater provides this range of honest and reliable services to a growing client base of over 200 contractors. They differentiate themselves by providing high quality work, and also through "being physically and mentally prepared to work under the pressures of the hand-over stage of a project".

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Being capable of operating across various sectors requires a certain amount of logistical planning, particularly in the area of estimating. If you look at the recent Leighton's T-Way project, you will see the diversity of tasks involved. Clearwater's primary Estimator Brett Kirby says, "To estimate the T-Way project, we needed to allow for a whole range of works; 9 roundabouts, pavements, kerb and gutter, asphaltting and traffic control elements." To effectively handle such a broad range of tasks,

Clearwater Services needs a flexible and robust estimating system. And this system is Benchmark Estimating Software.

Cutting estimating time in half

Brett says that Benchmark not only provides great value to the company, but it also makes his work life more interesting, "Benchmark has cut my estimating time in half. A project that would previously take a whole day can now be knocked over in half a day. This gives me more time to get out into the field and be more hands on."

Quickly making variations

Benchmark's ability to cope with variations is something that continues to impress Brett and the Clearwater clients. Brett says, "When the client wants changes, it is very fast and easy to confidently alter the estimate; everything automatically updates and re-calculates. From our end, it also makes it very easy to see

how changes will affect our overall submission price."

Reporting and Quoting on the Project

Benchmark also facilitates the spread of knowledge from one department to the next. Brett reveals, "The Project Review report gives our foreman an accurate breakdown of the quantities required." Additionally, Benchmark's Microsoft Word® quote report feature allows Clearwater to get the quote to the client in the format they require. Brett says, "The Microsoft Word® quote report is great. We have set up our own personalised template and Benchmark brings all

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the data into that, ready to send to the client."

Clearwater Services will continue to satisfy their growing list of clients through their honesty and reliability, and also through Benchmark's ability to streamline and control their diverse estimating requirements.



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