

## LAA LTD OCTOBER 16 VIC HALF-DAY SEMINAR Carbon Accounting & Energy Savings

Our recent LAA event in Melbourne attracted much interest when Cameron Eren, Total Environment Centre and Victor Herrera, Energetics presented the Carbon Accounting and Identifying Energy Savings Seminar. Members and guests listened and actively debated three excellent presentations

Cameron Eren gave a very 'down to earth' walk through of Carbon Accounting and how it relates to business today. All were able to clearly understand the basics of the legislation, what questions to ask in their own business and where to go to get support.

The group then heard from Victor Herrera how energy opportunities are identified by breaking down the areas of spend in business and then how energy \$ can be saved by putting in place focussed lighting, refrigeration and fuel strategies. A case study was provided showing one warehouse saving of \$50k pa by using natural light better and by using light sensors. Further to this, Victor shared the importance of fuel analysis and how that analysis can be used to drive efficiencies in fuel management through both behavioural and equipment change.

There was an active panel debate drawing on the information provided in the presentations. The consensus of the group was there is much that can be done now to identify ways to save energy without kicking off a huge programme inside individual businesses.

However, for complete business change to take place in the environmental arena, it has to be led from Executive Management and focussed on behavioural change as well as cost efficiencies.



*LAA committee member Conor O'Malley (centre) with Cameron Eren, Total Environment Centre (L) and Victor Herrera, Energetic (R).*