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Ross has extensive mine planning technical expertise and operational knowledge. This allows him to understand issues over a range of levels - operational to strategic - and to identify where opportunities may exist. He has held a range of senior technical and management positions within the industry.

Education, Qualifications and Memberships

- Bachelor of Engineering (Mining) University of New South Wales
- Master of Business Administration Deakin University
- Member Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM)
- NSW CMQB Certificate of Competency as a Mine Examiner
- · West Australian Quarry Managers Certificate

Achievements and Highlights

Technical Expertise

 Development of mining plans over a range of study levels for a diverse portfolio of projects on behalf of AMC Consultants. These included mining method selection, fleet estimation requirements, cost estimation and pit design.

- Manager of Technical Services for Atlas Iron, supporting operating sites and delivering plans to the business across a range of planning time horizons.
- Planning and scheduling expertise across a range of time horizons: daily, weekly, monthly, yearly and 5 yearly time periods at BHP's Whaleback Operation.
- Development and implementation of mining plans for BHP's Yarrie Operation.
- Assessment of development options for the BHP Area C Operation. Identification of infrastructure and pit development requirements for medium to long term operational continuity.
- Evaluation of new resources held by Hamersley Iron in conjunction with metallurgists, geologists, business analysts.
 Delivered a broad range of technical outputs: mine designs, production schedules, equipment needs and operational risk assessment.

Operations Management

- General Manager and Registered Manager, Koolan Island Operation, with responsibility for full site operation.
- Numerous Superintendent positions across BHP Billiton Iron Ore, Mount Gibson Iron and Hamersley Iron, incorporating management of technical staff, following through to the implementation of plans and contract management.

Mount Gibson