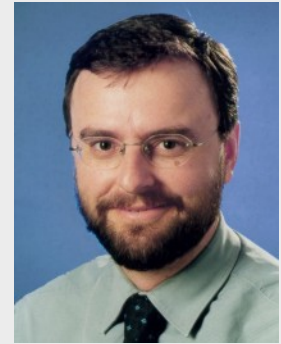


# MARK CHESHER

## OPEN PIT MANAGER PRINCIPAL MINING ENGINEER



BE (Mining) (Hons)  
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### EXPERTISE

Mark's expertise lies in the design and operation of open pit mines. He has broad experience in gold and base metal (aluminium, nickel) operations in both planning and management roles. In these roles, he was responsible for ore reserve reporting, equipment selection and specification, pit design, scheduling and budgeting and operations management.

During ten years as a consultant with AMC, Mark has managed feasibility studies in Australia and other countries (including Mozambique, Finland, Russia and Central African Republic) for gold, platinum, base metals, uranium, magnetite, phosphate and mineral sands projects. He has also conducted operational reviews and valuations at a number of operations.

### SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Mark began his professional career as a mining engineer for Comalco Mineral Products at Weipa in 1985. He gained wide experience in mine design, scheduling and marketing before moving into the Western Australian gold mining industry in 1990.

He then held operations and planning roles for Newcrest at both Telfer (large, owner mining operation) and Tuckabianna (small contractor mining operation) being responsible for pit optimisation, design and scheduling. This broad experience equipped Mark to move into operations management, and in 1994 he took on Mine Superintendent at Tuckabianna.

Mark then moved to Eagle Mining Corporation in 1995 as Mine Superintendent to oversee the construction and commissioning of the mine at Nimary (120,000 oz/annum at \$200/oz) in Western Australia. He was responsible for all facets of the mining operation including mine design, budgeting and contract administration. In 1997, he took over responsibility for the whole Nimary site as Operations Manager, including the plant expansion to handle fresh ores.

In 1998 he moved to Anaconda Operations as Mining Manager of the Murrin Murrin Nickel/Cobalt mine. He was responsible for all facets of mining during the commissioning of the laterite plant, including ore reserve estimation, exploration, pit design and mining operations. During this period he conducted the review of the existing mining contract and managed the subsequent change to owner mining.

Mark joined AMC late in 2000 and has since conducted feasibility studies as Competent Person for gold, platinum, base metals, uranium, phosphate, mineral sands and magnetite operations. Mark has also conducted mine technical and operational reviews for improving productivity and valuation purposes.

In 2011 Mark assumed responsibility for managing the Perth office Open Pit Group, a relatively large team comprising fifteen mining engineers.

Mark's full resume is available on request.