

Mining Deals List

The Major Projects: Energy, Chemicals, Mining & Infrastructure Group has played prominent roles for clients in more than 40 mining projects for resources such as coal, uranium, rare earth metals, iron ore, base metals, magnesite, copper, oil shale, and alumina. These include over 15 coal projects in Australia for interest acquisitions, project financing, disputes and operations. The Group has also acted for clients in more than 20 long term mineral sales agreements.

Representative transactions include:

- Acting for Japanese investors in following coal projects: Blair Athol, Clermont, Narrabri, NCA, Ensham and long-term offtake arrangements
- Acting on a long-term rare earth materials supply and processing project
- Acting for a Japanese Consortium to acquire an interest in an uranium company with assets in Kazakhstan, USA, Australia, South Africa and Canada
- Acting for an investor in a mineral joint venture in Western Australia including advising on law, formulating strategy and briefing counsel
- Acting for the Japanese investor on its investment in 2 uranium projects in South Australia
- Acting for the Japanese investor for its investment in a copper project in Fiji
- Acting for a Japanese trading house in a magnesite project (including processing plant) in New South Wales, Australia
- Acting for a potential investor in a China coal company in Heilongjiang, China
- Acting for Japanese investor on its investment in large-scale nickel processing project in the Philippines
- Preparing model long-term coal sale contracts for two utilities, including new regime governing interruption of supply.
- Preparing model sales contract for one of the world's leading mining companies, including detailed commentary on commencement, interruption, dispute resolution regimes
- Acting for a Japanese trading house in its acquisition of an interest in two coal projects in Indonesia

- Acting for a Japanese trading house in the acquisition of an interest in a chrome ore project in South Africa
- Acting for the Japanese lender in relation to an existing open-cut coal-mining project (including rail and port facilities) in North Queensland, Australia, including writing-down of existing finance facility, acquiring an interest in the project and refinancing
- Acting for Japanese investors in acquisition in of a copper smelter in New South Wales, Australia and advising on various matters in relation to their interests thereafter
- Acting for a Japanese investor to acquire an interest in a China coal company
- Acting for various Japanese investors acquiring interests in unincorporated Australian coal mining joint ventures
- Acting for Japanese investor acquiring an option to gain interest in a potential Australia copper and gold project
- Acting on the acquisition of an interest in a South Africa chrome ore project
- Acting for on the acquisition of an interest in a coal mining project and entering of a long-term coal purchase agreement in Australia
- Acting for a Japanese investor to acquire an interest in a pre-development stage coal project located in Alaska, USA
- Acting for a lender/offtaker in the development and financing of a coal project in Canada
- Acting for the Japanese investors in the financing and restructuring of an alumina smelter project in Australia
- Acting for the Japanese lenders and investors in the development and financing of a copper project in Chile
- Acting on four separate project financing arrangements for unincorporated mining joint ventures in Australia including negotiation on loan agreements, inter-creditor agreements, priority deeds and security documentation and providing ongoing advice on operations
- Restructuring an unincorporated Australian coal joint venture project financing
- Restructuring of a joint venture arrangement in an Australia energy company
- Acting for the Japanese investor on its withdrawal from a zinc/lead project and McCarthur River Project in the Northern Territory of Australia
- Acting on the sale of shares in Australia's largest listed uranium company by institutional bookbuild
- Advising on various disputes, including:

- a legal dispute regarding coal from Australia
- ICC arbitration in relation to a long term coke sales contract in Germany including drafting submissions, negotiating for settlement and appearing at hearing
- Arbitration between a mining joint venture and power utility
- Arbitration between coke suppliers and steel mill buyer
- Mediation between a major mine equipment suppliers and mine
- Litigation between long-term coal purchaser and supplier in Queensland, Australia