

### Part of the Rio Tinto Group, Coal & Allied has a leading position in the global coal market.

- We operate three mines in the Hunter Valley Region of New South Wales. *Hunter Valley Operations, Mount Thorley Warkworth, and Bengalla.*
- 2010 coal production – 25 million tonnes (Mt)  
*20.5 Mt of thermal coal and 4.7Mt of semi-soft coking coal.*
- We employ more than 2,000 people in NSW.
- We do business with around 2,500 local suppliers in NSW.
- We are focused strongly on growth, and are well positioned to meet the increasing global demand for energy, particularly from Asian markets.

#### Contribution to New South Wales in 2010

Contribution	Total
Payments to suppliers (A\$ million)*	\$A801 million
Salaries and benefits (A\$ million)	\$A346 million
Taxes and royalties paid to governments (A\$ million)	\$A228 million
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1.3 billion</b>

### Our operations and deposits

#### Bengalla

Employs 277 people. Started operations in 1999. An expansion is underway and is scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 2012. It will increase Bengalla's capacity from the current run of mine (ROM) production rate of 7.3 million tonnes per year to 9.3 million tonnes per year.

#### Hunter Valley Operations

Employs 917 people. Started operations in 1968, with Howick Mine and Hunter Valley No. 1 mine merged in 2000 to create Hunter Valley Operations. Has a significant resource base and provides opportunities to expand incrementally for long life.

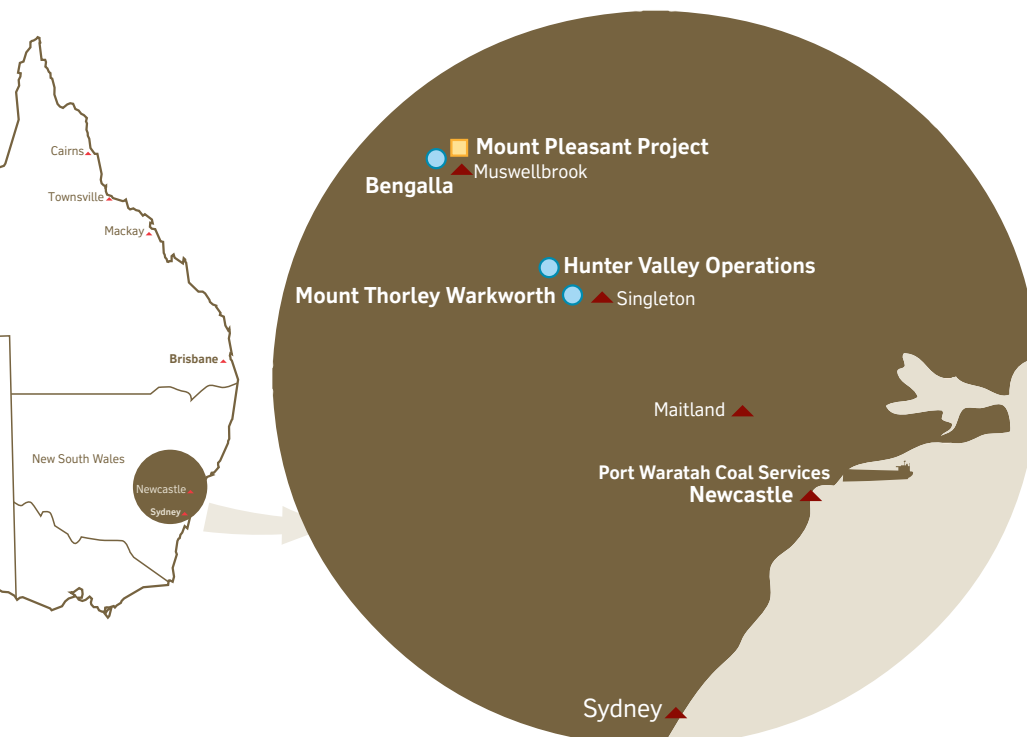
#### Mount Thorley Warkworth

Employs 849 people. Started operations in 1981. An order of magnitude study has been completed for a possible underground extension, which will extend the life of the mine and contribute expansion or replacement tonnes.

#### Mount Pleasant

A full feasibility study on the Mount Pleasant greenfield project is underway. Targeting a development decision on the project in early 2012 and first coal in 2014.

The proposed mine would produce up to 10.5 million tonnes of thermal coal for international markets. The deposit holds 350 million tonnes of thermal coal.



# Our commitment to New South Wales

In addition to our community development funds as listed in this table, our commitment to New South Wales can also be seen through long term community partnerships including:

- Westpac Helicopter sponsorship
- Education partnerships and scholarship programmes with the University of Newcastle
- Apprenticeships and traineeships local training companies.

We are a long term supporter of the SES and many of our employees are SES volunteers.

Coal & Allied has been a long term supporter of the Newcastle Knights, and this will continue in 2011 through the 100% Knights programme. This has brought the federal government, the NRL, the Newcastle Knights and Coal & Allied together to provide pathways

Community contribution to New South Wales in 2010	
Community development funds, sponsorships and donations	A\$1.7 million
Direct payments	A\$55,000
Management costs	A\$385,000
Number of programmes supported	more than 175
<b>Total</b>	<b>A\$2.1 million</b>

for indigenous Hunter Valley school students into successful careers.

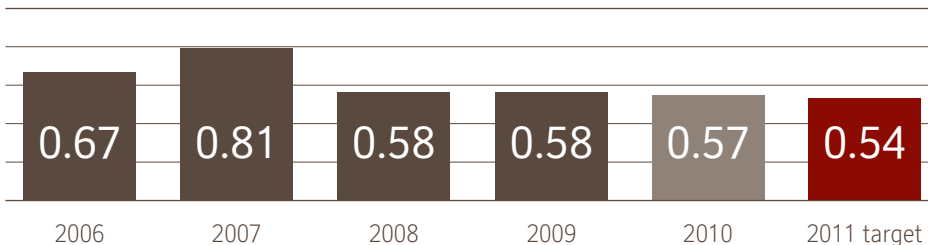
### Our people

100 per cent of our New South Wales workforce lives in the communities surrounding our local operations.

Our all injury frequency rate has been steadily trending downwards in recent years and our 2010 New South Wales AIFR was 0.57 per 200,000 hours worked.

We have been recognised for our progressive and proactive efforts at creating a more diverse workforce, and have won several state and national awards for our work in this area. In addition, Rio Tinto is Australia's largest private sector employer of Indigenous Australians. Coal & Allied is working on a target of five per cent Indigenous employment across its operations by 2012.

### New South Wales all injury frequency rate (AIFR)



“ At Coal & Allied we have made a commitment to sustainable development, and our work in New South Wales is focused on ensuring this is evident in everything we do. ”

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