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**CORE COMPETENCIES**

Public and private company board experience, including Chairman.

- Chairing a private company through demerger from a larger entity to ASX listing
- M&A and defending hostile takeover experience
- Guiding strong, sustainable and prudent growth successfully managed by both acquisition and organically
- Corporate governance and risk management

International business experience (more recently focused on Asia and Indian sub continent, but historically also in USA and Europe).

Mining (mainly coal [and gold]), carbon credit, environmental and energy matters.

Certified to undertake JORC Code assessments of coal properties.

**EDUCATION**

B Sc (Tech) Degree in Metallurgy from University of NSW.

Management Certificate from Sydney Technical College.

**CAREER SUMMARY****1984 – Present**

Principal of several businesses, providing services through Edwards Global Services Pty Ltd, George Edwards Consulting Services Pty Ltd, George E Edwards & Associates and International Coal Services Pty Ltd to the coal, mineral, energy, environmental, greenhouse, legal, banking and management industries worldwide.

His plus 125 clients worldwide to date have included, amongst others, organisations as diverse as the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), Gregg River Resources Limited (Canada), CITIC [Securities] (China), PT Bukit Baiduri Energi (Indonesia), Australian Gas Light Company (AGL), Peabody Energy (USA), Whitlam Turnbull & Co Ltd (Australia), Tenaga Nasional Berhad (Malaysia), Trans Natal Coal (became Ingwe Coal) South Africa, SG Australia (part of Societe Generale Banque, France) and the United Nations (Coal Development Program).

In early-2002 established PT. Edwards Global Services in Indonesia, targeting regional projects such as carbon credit generation, coal and mining/exploration activities, sustainable forestry, energy and mining projects.

In 2004 established EBK Global Pty Ltd, with two others, to act as a representative of coal exporters and to trade coals and cokes, mainly for sales into India.

**1987 – 1998**

Acquisition, part ownership and management of three export coal mines in Australia.

**1982 – 1984**

Chief Executive in Australia for Consolidation Coal Company of USA and Chairman and General Manager of Gollin Wallsend Coal Company Limited.

Previously worked for Coal & Allied Industries Limited (Marketing Director), the Joint Coal Board (Head of Marketing and Fuel Technology) and B.H.P. (various roles in the Port Kembla steelworks and the BHP Central Research Laboratories).

**DIRECTORSHIPS**

1998 – 2008	SAI Global Limited (prev. Quality Assurance Services Pty Ltd) – Chairman from Nov 2001 to Feb 2008 (listed on ASX, 17 Dec 2003) and also President Commissioner, PT. SAI Global Indonesia;
2000 – 2004	Thecarbontrader.com Pty Ltd (Chairman from February 2001);
1994 – 2001	Triton Corporation Limited (Director, except Dec 1996 – Oct 1998) – open cut gold mining (ASX listed);
1986 – 1999	Sabre Resources NL (Chairman 1994 – 1999) – underground and open cut gold mining (ASX listed);
1995 – 1998	Advance Coal Limited (Chairman 1995 – 1997);
1989 – 1993	Liddell Joint Venture (Chairman);
1988 – 1992	Savage Resources Limited (Director) (ASX listed);
1987 – 1990	Great Northern Mining Corporation Limited (Director) (ASX listed);
1986 – 1990	Oakbridge Limited (Director) (ASX listed);
1987 – 1989	Metropolitan Collieries Limited (Chairman);
1982 – 1984	Gollin Wallsend Coal Company Limited (Chairman); and
1980 – 1982	Coal and Allied (Sales) Pty Ltd and Coal and Allied KK, Japan

**OVERSEAS INDUSTRY MISSIONS**

November 1996	Member, Australian Ministerial Coal Mission to India;
November 1979	Member, Australian Steaming Coal Survey Mission to USA;
Oct/Nov 1977	Leader, Australian Government Sponsored Coal Mission to South America; and.
October 1976	Member, 1 <sup>st</sup> Australian Coal Mission to China.

**APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman, Coal Preparation Society in Australia from 1972 to 1974 and International Chairman of the Coal Preparation Congress from 1973-76.

Chairman, Standards Australia (Vice Chairman 1990-99) from 2000 to 2004, Chairman of its Coal & Coke Committee for 10 years and the Chairman of its Environment, Materials and Safety Standards Sector Board from 2004 to 2007. He remains a Councillor of Standards Australia.

From 1993 to 2006 was Chairman, Energy Council of Australia (member since 1977) and from 2001 to 2005 was a Director of Sydney World Energy Congress Pty Ltd.

In 1995 was President, The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (The AusIMM), who initiated the JORC and VALMIN Codes used worldwide for mining company resources and reserves, and was a Councillor from 1987 to 1996. From 1996 to 1999 was a Member, CSIRO Coal and Energy Advisory Committee and from 1993 to 1996 was Chairman, Advisory Council, Key Centre for Mines, UNSW.

Was awarded its Gold Medal in 2011 by the Mineral Industry Consultants Association (4<sup>th</sup> Award since 1982) and was appointed the first Senior Foreign Advisor to the China Mining Association in January 2011. He is the inaugural Executive Chairman, Australian Mining Association.

**PUBLICATIONS AND TALKS**

About 150 articles, talks and presentations in Australia and overseas (in Belgium, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, New Zealand, Malaysia, Thailand, Turkey, UK, USA and USSR), on subjects covering coal research, coal quality, coal utilisation, coal preparation, coal marketing and coal industry topics, as well as internal audit, risk management, governance, environmental and energy issues. A listing of most of these is available separately.