

BATHURST RESOURCES IS A MODERN NEW ZEALAND COAL MINING COMPANY WITH OPERATIONS ON THE WEST COAST AND SOUTHLAND

The company has exploration and mining permits covering 10,000 hectares on the Buller Coalfield, near Westport, as well as operations in Timaru and Southland.

The Buller Coalfield has been mined for 140 years and is a source of hard coking coal used for making steel. This coal is highly valued internationally because of its superior quality.

Bathurst has two operating mines today – the Cascade mine on the Buller Plateau, which produces a semi-soft coking coal, and the Takitimu coal mine in Nightcaps, Southland, which produces thermal coal.

The company is dual listed on the NZX and the ASX and is focused on ensuring the benefits of its coal assets are delivered back to the community, environment, and the economies in which it operates.



Financial snapshot

BATHURST CAPITAL STRUCTURE
AS AT 31 MARCH 2012

NZX/ASX CODE	BTU
SHARES ON ISSUE	693M
OPTIONS ON ISSUE	66M
MARKET CAP (31.3.12)	NZ\$658.8M
DEBT	NZ\$4M
CASH (31.3.12)	NZ\$76.2M

BATHURST FAMILY OF BUSINESSES

Buller Coal Limited

Bathurst subsidiary, Buller Coal Limited, is developing the company's flagship Escarpment Mine Project in the Buller Coalfield.

The Buller Coalfield is one of the country's most significant fields accounting for approximately half of New Zealand's coking coal. The region contains exceptionally high quality coking coal, with an historic market price of up to US\$300 a tonne.

The area has existing rail and port infrastructure. Railway lines adjacent to the coalfields service the entire West Coast coal mining industry and connect to both river and deep water ports. Bathurst has over 10,000 hectares of prospective tenure in the Buller Coalfield with an overall exploration potential in the order of 127-165 million tonnes of coal.

As well as generating significant revenue for New Zealand through royalties and taxes, over the next five years the Escarpment Mine Project will provide:

- an additional 424 jobs on the West coast
- \$41 million per year of wages

Eastern Coal Limited

Eastern Coal is the other Bathurst Resources' subsidiary, established following the company's acquisition of Eastern Resources Group in March 2011.

Eastern Coal operates the Takitimu thermal coal mine in Southland and is developing the Coaldale mine nearby.

The Takitimu mine has been operating on the outskirts of Nightcaps for 140 years. It is producing 175,000 tonnes of coal each year. Production is expected to cease in about 12 months at which time the mine will be rehabilitated. Preliminary work on the adjacent Coaldale project began late 2011.

Eastern Coal also holds the Ohai exploration permit and the Albury Prospecting Permit.

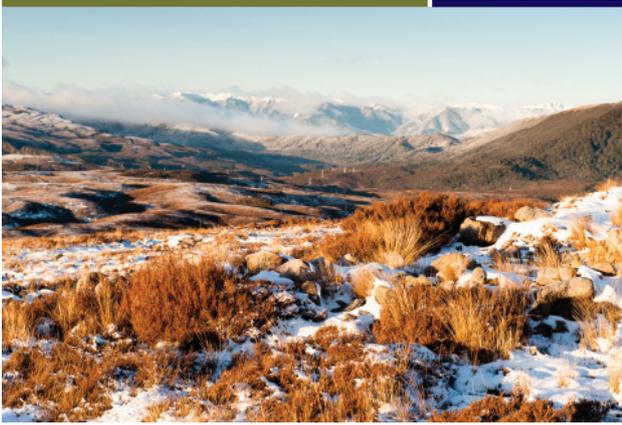
OUR PROJECTS

Buller Coal

- Escarpment Mine Project – received consent, going through appeal process – to provide 225 direct new jobs.
- Cascade Coal – in operation and planning to increase production over the next year. Employs 27 people.
- Coalbrookdale – underground mine to be developed early 2012. Will provide up to 35 jobs.
- Whareatea West – important prospective exploration permit.

Eastern Coal

- Takitimu Coal (34 full-time staff and contractors).
- Coaldale (consents granted, work began in December 2011).
- Timaru coal handling and distribution yard (8 full-time staff).



STRICT ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS

Bathurst managers bring a wealth of environmental expertise to their projects and have won numerous awards for their environmental practices in mines overseas.

Rehabilitation of the natural environment, replanting and nature regeneration is a top priority for the company.

Bathurst is also investing significantly in other projects to protect the environment including initiatives to protect the great spotted kiwi in the Heaphy River area. Through this work and rehabilitation of mine sites, Bathurst will deliver environmental benefits that exceed impacts.

COMMUNITIES AND IWI

Bathurst Resources and its subsidiary companies are committed to building positive working relationships with all key stakeholders including iwi, local residents and businesses and environmental groups. The company believes in continuous engagement with local communities to inform and guide its activities while sharing the economic benefits of its business through employment, training, and other opportunities.

- **Talking with and listening to the community** – Bathurst will set up a Community Liaison Group of neighbours, local residents and businesses of Westport to anticipate and assist in resolving issues relating to mining activities.
- **Working with the community** – Bathurst is committed to providing opportunities to local businesses. For example, Bathurst has formed an alliance with West Coast company Brightwater Engineering. It works closely with local tourism operators and provides scholarships and support to local schools.

- **Net gain for the conservation estate** – A percentage of the total value of the project will be paid to the Buller District Council to provide funding for reserves, recreational and community facilities in the region. Buller Coal will also establish a trust fund for rehabilitation of flora and fauna on the Denniston Plateau. Through this initiative and the careful rehabilitation of the areas Bathurst mines, the company will be providing net benefits to the environment.
- **Protecting the Great Spotted Kiwi** – Buller Coal has committed to undertake predator management over 5,620 hectares of the neighbouring Heaphy region for at least 35 years to help protect and monitor populations of the great spotted kiwi. This work will occur in the Heaphy Flats (220 ha), Southern Heaphy Silver Beech Forest (3,400 ha) and Ryan Creek Hard Beech Rimu Forest (2,000 ha).
- Senior New Zealand conservationist Guy Salmon agreed to chair Bathurst's "Kaitiaki" group to actively monitor and guide the environment performance of Bathurst in New Zealand.
The group comprises independent experts with a variety of skills and backgrounds relevant to the company's operations. The group reports directly to the company's Board and is tasked with ensuring Bathurst applies best practice in its environmental management and that it is responsive to the changing needs and expectations of stakeholders and the national community.

INVESTMENT TO EXCEED \$1 BILLION

Bathurst Resources will inject about \$1 billion into the New Zealand economy and local communities over six years through the development and operation of the proposed Escarpment Mine Project in Westport.

This investment includes over \$100 million of payments each year to employees, suppliers, contractors, port,

rail and shipping companies and the local community of Westport.

In addition, based on current coal prices, Bathurst will pay about \$60 million to the government in royalties and taxes per year.