

### **John O'Connell - General Manager - Planning**

John is a mining professional with over 17 years' experience in both operational and technical roles across commodities and mining methodologies. His operational leadership experience spans large mining teams in both open cut coal and iron ore.

John's career has involved applying technical know-how, experience and innovative thinking to developing teams and mine plans ranging in scope from mining studies, life of mine and Reserves reporting, through to short term execution planning and execution.

Prior to employment with Batchfire where he has provided stability in the mine planning capability for 4 years, John held multiple roles with Rio Tinto and Ensham Resources.

John has Bachelor of Engineering Science (Mining) and Master of Mining Engineering degrees from the University of Ballarat and is a Member of AusIMM.