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the depths of our experience.

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EXPLORE THE NORWEST DIFFERENCE

Norwest is an internationally recognized leader in providing consulting expertise to the energy, mining, and natural resources industries. For three decades we have offered a wide range of services to energy and mining companies, electric power producers, financial institutions, governments, legal firms, and regulatory agencies. Norwest's geologists, engineers, hydrologists, environmental specialists, and management consultants bring extensive industry experience to our consulting projects. Accordingly, we understand the opportunities, pressures, and constraints facing the industries we serve. Our innovative, experience-based approach is focused on assisting our clients achieve world-class performance standards.



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our resources.

We take a realistic yet innovative approach to each project, carefully assembling a knowledge-based team of experts.

Norwest offers clients the experience of one of the world's most fully integrated energy and natural resource consultancies. This unique combination of geology, mining, hydrology, and environmental specialists has given us the ability to provide our clients with comprehensive expertise to optimize every stage of project development.

We pride ourselves on implementing efficient and innovative methods to increase the value of our clients' opportunities, as well as offering solutions that are tailored to their specific business goals. Our work has supported complex projects with financial placements totaling in the billions of dollars, and our expertise has led to client successes on six continents.



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our geological services.

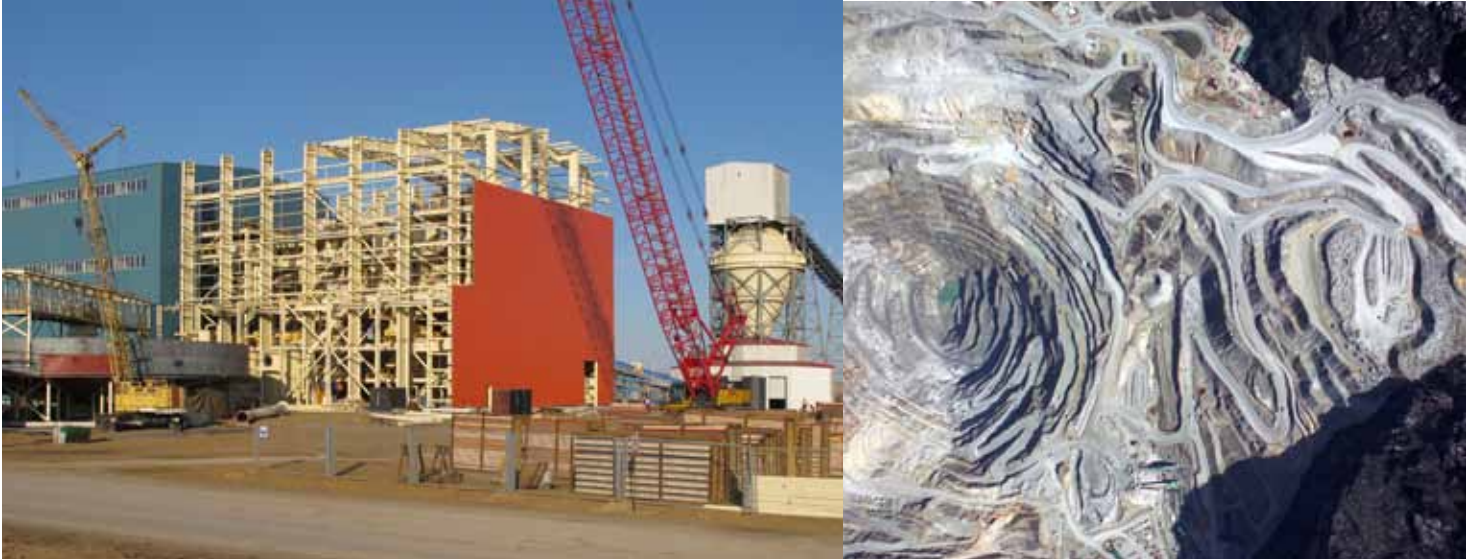
Norwest's combination of experience, technology and best practices provides the foundation for advancing your project from initial evaluation through final development.

An accurate geological assessment is critical to successful resource development and must consider economic conditions, market trends and political considerations as well as the physical characteristics of the resource.

Our exploration and resource assessment programs take all these factors into account, resulting in strategies that meet our clients' needs with sound analysis and an impartial perspective.

Our geologists are experts at planning, managing, and executing drilling and site data collection programs designed to meet our clients' objectives. We then employ leading-edge technology such as three-dimensional geological modeling and mine planning software to manage and analyze the collected data for maximum utilization and value.

Norwest's combination of experience, technology, and best practices is unexcelled. Our geologic services have provided the foundation for successful project financing and development worldwide.



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our engineering capabilities.

Experience has taught us that a comprehensive approach is needed to help clients develop new ventures and enhance the success of existing operations.

Norwest's engineers know how to successfully develop and optimize a wide variety of energy and minerals projects. Our expert teams are well versed in all phases of project development, from initial project planning through delivery of the product to the customer.

Our international team of experts has extensive experience in:

- Surface and underground mine engineering
- Process engineering and materials handling
- Geotechnical engineering
- Resource development
- Resource utilization and economics
- Operations enhancement and optimization

From specific equipment applications to systems design, planning, and management, Norwest integrates sound engineering fundamentals into every aspect of your project.



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our water resources and environmental expertise.

Our experience in environmental management helps clients plan and permit new projects as well as mitigate the constraints facing existing operations.

Today's markets are rapidly changing, and regulatory restrictions and limited resources complicate environmental planning efforts. At Norwest we understand resource development is a complex, multi-layered endeavor, and we are committed to advancing methods of project development that contribute to sustainable development.

Norwest's experts provide environmental assessment, permitting, water resource assessment and management, carbon emissions evaluation, and environmental planning services to assist our clients with a wide variety of environmental and regulatory compliance issues.

Surface and groundwater supply and quality issues can be complex and are surrounded by a variety of compliance regulations. Using our experience and technology, Norwest's hydrology experts assess your situation and create cost-effective, efficient strategic plans to address these challenges.



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our management consulting experience.

Norwest's experience converts ideas and knowledge into wealth for our clients and their investors.

Norwest offers management consulting services that take advantage of our extensive knowledge base in executive management, operations, planning, analysis, marketing, and government relations. Our method is to develop strong, collaborative relationships with clients aimed at enhancing operating performance and improving competitive advantage.

The following services can be performed as part of discrete independent studies or in various combinations as part of larger studies:

- Feasibility studies
- Operations improvement studies
- M&A due diligence investigations
- Resource and reserve assessments
- Project development planning
- Safety management reviews and audits
- Insurance audits
- Environmental site assessments
- Expert witness services
- On-site operations support

Norwest is recognized worldwide as a reliable and respected provider of business advisory services focused on the energy and mining industries.

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