



**Royal Commission on the Pike River Coal Mine Tragedy**  
**Te Komihana a te Karauna mō te Parekura Ana Waro o te Awa o Pike**

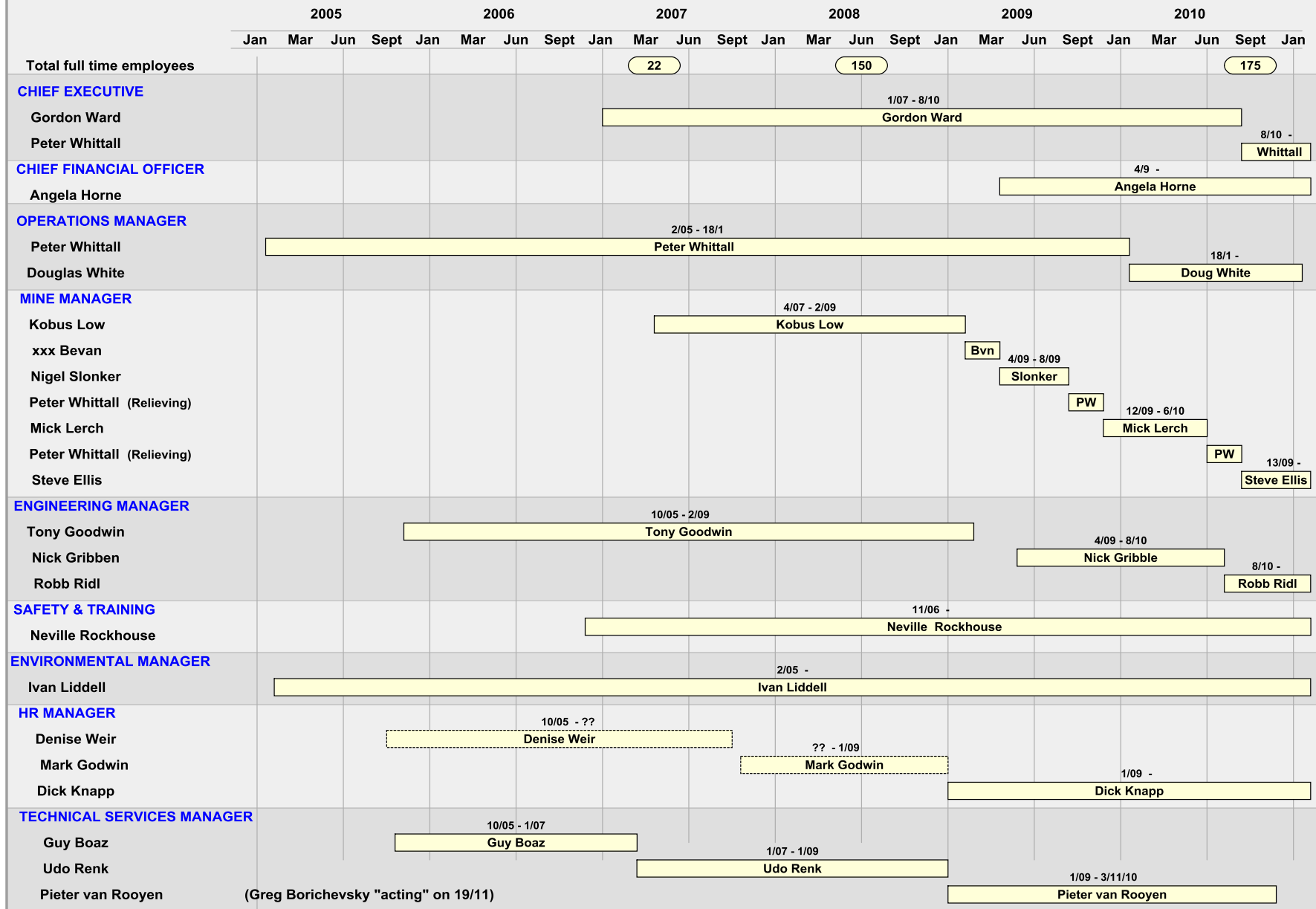
**Chronology Four - Pike River Coal: Board, Management and Workforce**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Doc ref</b>
Jan 1992	Tony Radford (Chairman NZOG) commenced on the PRC Board.	DAO.001.0003/5 33
1998	Gordon Ward (NZOG General Manager) becomes responsible for the Pike River Coal Project.	NZOG0067/82
May 2004	Leslie McCracken engaged as contractor and Contract Project Manager responsible for the capital works phase of mine development.	NZOG0067/55 6.91
Feb 2005	Peter Whittall appointed PRC Mine Manager.	NZOG0067/55 6.89 NZOG0019 DAO.001.0003/9 37
Feb 2005	Ivan Liddell appointed Environmental Manager.	DAO.001.0003/9 37
Sept 2005	Dipak Agarwalla (Saurashtra Fuels Private Limited) joined the Board.	DAO.001.0003/7 34
Oct 2005	Tony Goodwin joined PRC as Engineering Manager.	NZOG0067/56 6.92
2006	Harry Bell appointed Mine Manager for the purpose of extracting coal samples from outcrop.	FAM0001 A(f)
April 2006	Denis Wood joined the Board as an independent director.	DAO.001.0003/7 34
June 2006	James Ogden joined the Board as an independent director.	DAO.001.0003/7 34
July 2006	Gordon Ward appointed to the PRC Board.	NZOG0067/56 6.88 DAO.001.0003/7 34
Dec 2006	Neville Rockhouse appointed as Safety and Training Manager.	NZOG0067/56 6.93 DAO.001.0003/9
Dec 2006	James Ogden left the Board.	DAO.001.0003/7 34
Dec 2006	Denis Wood left the Board.	DAO.001.0003/7 34
Jan 2007	Gordon Ward appointed CEO of PRC.	NZOG0067/55 6.88 DAO.001.0003/9 37
Jan 2007	Udo Renk appointed as Technical Services Manager.	NZOG0067/56 6.95 DAO.001.0003/32 190
Feb 2007	Stuart Natrass joined Board as independent director.	DAO.001.0003/7 35(c )
22 Feb 2007	John Dow appointed Chair of the Board.	DAO.001.0003/7 35(a)

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Apr 2007	Kobus Louw appointed Production Manager and Tunnel Mine Manager.	DAO.001.0003/33 201
July 2007	Arun Jagatramka (Gujarat NRE Coke Limited) joined as a non-executive director.	DAO.001.0003/8 35(f)
Sept 2007 – Apr 2008	Harry Bell worked as a part time tunnel shift supervisor with McConnell Dowell at PRC.	FAM0001 19
May 2008	Udo Renk, Technical Services Manager, leaves PRC.	FAM0002/7 1
June 2008	50 permanent staff employed by PRC.	DAO.001.0003/37 236
Aug 2008	Johan Klopper appointed Coal Preparation Plant Manager.	DAO.001.0003/9 37(j)
Aug 2008	The PRC workforce was 64, including 2 contract engineers.	DAO.001.000/38 243
Oct 2008	PRC workforce was 82 full time staff.	DAO.001.0003/39 249
Jan 2009	Dick Knapp appointed Human Resources Manager.	DAO.001.0003/7 37(e)
Jan 2009	Pieter van Rooyen appointed Technical Services Manager.	DAO.001.0003/7 37(f)
Feb 2009	Kobus Louw (Mine Manager), Tony Goodwin (Engineering Manager) and Mark Godwin (Human Resources Manager) left PRC.	DAO.001.0003//41 262
Apr 2009	Angela Horne appointed Financial Controller.	DAO.001.0003/7 37(d)
Apr 2009	Nick Gribble appointed Engineering Manager.	DAO.001.0003/7 37(i)
Dec 2009	Mick Lerch appointed Underground Mine Manager	DAO.001.0003/7 37(h)
Jan 2010	Doug White appointed Operations Manager.	DAO.001.0003/7 37(c)
Jan 2010	Mick Lerch, Nick Gribble, Johan Klopper and Neville Rockhouse report to Doug White.	DAO.001.0003/10 41
Jan 2010	Mick Lerch appointed Statutory Mine Manager.	DAO.001.0003/10 43(a)
Jan 2010	Peter Whittall relocated from Greymouth to Wellington.	DAO.001.0003/9 39
May 2010	The operational roster for the general workforce was changed to a 3 shift roster over 5 days.	DAO.001.0003/44 296
June 2010	Bernie Lambley appointed Production Manager on contract.	DAO.001.0003/10 43(b)
June 2010	Mick Lerch, Statutory Mine Manager, ceased employment with PRC.	DAO.001.0003/10 43(a)
Sept 2010	Doug White assumed role responsibilities of Statutory Mine Manager (in conjunction with substantive role as Operations Manager).	DAO.001.0003/46 304
Sept 2010	Bernie Lambley finished contract role as Production Manager.	DAO.001.0003/8 43(b)
Sept 2010	Gordon Ward resigned as CEO and from the Board.	DAO.001.0003/8 35(g)
Sept 2010	PRC workforce was 175 full time staff.	DAO.001.0003/46 307
13 Sept 2010	Stephen Ellis appointed Production Manager.	DAO.001.0003/10 43
2 Oct 2010	Peter Whittall starts as CEO.	DAO.001.0003/8 42

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Oct 2010	Formal reporting structures changed. All managers reported to Doug White as site General Manager except Angela Horne, Financial Controller who reports to Peter Whittall.	DAO.001.0003/10 46
3 Nov 2010	Pieter van Rooyen ceased employment with PRC.	DAO.001.0003/10 45

## CHRONOLOGY - SENIOR APPOINTMENTS, PIKE RIVER COMPANY



## CHRONOLOGY - BOARD APPOINTMENTS, PIKE RIVER COMPANY

2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
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Tony Radford (Chair until 26 April 2006)

Ray Meyer (Chair 8 Dec 2006 - 16 May 2007)

Graham Duncan (Until 8 Dec 2006)

Stephen Rawson (Until 19 June 2006)

Dipak Agarwalla (From 26 Sept 2005)

Gordon Ward (From 28 July 2006)

19 June - 8 Dec 2006 James Ogden

Chair 26 Apr - 6 Dec 2006 Denis Wood

John Dow (From 22 Feb 2007) (Chair from 16 May 2007)

Stuart Natras (From 22 Feb 2007)

Arun Jagatramka (From 17 July 2007)

From 25 Nov 2009 (Alternate for Jagatramka) Sanjay Loyalka

