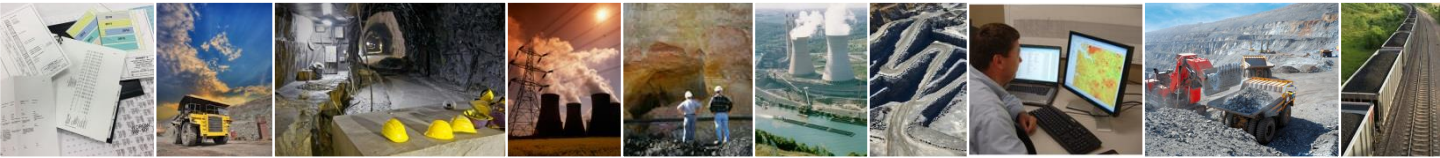




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John T. Boyd Company - Mining and Geological Consultants, founded in 1943, is one of the largest, privately owned, mining consulting firms exclusively serving the domestic and international coal, metals, mineral, and natural gas industries. BOYD's professional staff is comprised of specialists with decades of experience in the principal aspects of the mining and minerals industry: geology, reserves, mining operations (surface and underground mining), mineral processing, financial analysis, valuation, markets, transportation, environmental matters, etc.

Our senior professionals are recognized Competent Persons and have the requisite training, education, and experience to provide advisory services to our clients on an ongoing basis. Our technical reports fulfill the reporting standards of major financial institutions, government agencies and international stock exchanges.

Our worldwide stature is demonstrated by our work as Technical Advisor to the UK Government Department of Trade and Industry during the privatization of British Coal Corporation and by our selection by Shenhua Coal Group to complete the Technical Reports used in their IPO filing. BOYD has regularly supported the government of Colombia with the completion of regional benchmark mining studies, audits of geological mapping, geophysics and geochemical campaigns, technical improvement plans, rail and mine integrations studies and safety and mine rescue guidelines.

Experience

- Coal
- Metals
- Industrial Minerals
- Aggregates
- Frac Sand
- Natural Gas

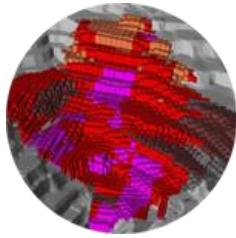


Clients

- Producers
- Consumers
- Government
- Financial
- Legal
- Insurance
- Power/Utility



SERVICES



Resources and Reserves

- Resource/Reserve
- Field Exploration
- Geologic Modeling
- Resource/Reserve Evaluation
- Technical Reports
- GIS

Mining and Operations

- Mining and Operations
- Mine Planning
- Strategic Planning
- Geotechnical
- Competitor Analysis
- Material Handling
- Environmental Audits
- Reclamation and Liabilities

Financial Analysis

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Valuations
- Insurance
- IPO/Independent Technical Review
- Bankruptcy/Restructuring

Market Analysis

- Markets and Transportation
- Contract Evaluation
- Fuel Supply
- Coal Price Forecasting

Litigation Support

- Litigation Support - Expert Witness
- Technical Experts
- Valuations/Asset Appraisal
- Safety/Accidents/Injuries
- Fires/Explosions/Roof Falls
- Product Liability
- Geotechnical/Subsidence
- Insurance/Business Interruption
- Contractual



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