Gary Mitchell

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**Project/Programme Manager**

An accomplished professional with excellent planning and organisational abilities; astute in managing various stages of project, executing and compressing timelines to meet client’s strategic requirements in mining and engineering fields. Demonstrate substantial skills in overhead power lines, coal and gold mining with a sound knowledge of project administration, budget control, and cost estimation and FIDIC. Successful in applying programme management techniques and skills to deliver clear performance targets and measures. ***Proven expertise in:***

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| * Safety Procedures * Test Methodologies * Resource Management * Strategy Implementation | * Risk Evaluation * Project Participation * Budgeting & Cost Control * Programme Management |

**Professional Experience**

Babcock Ntuthuko (Powerlines Division) – Nigel

**Project Manager,** 2016 to Present

*Meticulously assessed the project progress versus the tender pricing and quotation to ensure the timely completion of the assignment while complying with estimated timelines.*

Coordinate resources for the flawless execution of projects while developing project scopes, conducting cost estimations and executing tenders to deliver projects within scope and budget.

***Key Contributions:***

* Planned project parameters, assessed and employed winning quotation through a robust matrix. Led the compilation of tenders and utilised bill of quantities to calculate the price for labour, material and heavy machinery.
* Ascertained overall objectives of project to get to the real crux of problem, identify the nitty-gritty aspects of projects and draw up time frames and production levels.

***Key project***

* Managed the Kafue Town – Muzuma – Livingstone – Victoria Falls 220kV upgrade value USD 24.1 million to accomplish set targets.
* Executed the Kafue Town – Muzuma – Livingstone – Victoria Falls 330kV OHTL upgrade with a project value of USD24 million.

AfricVen Consulting (Pty) Ltd – Krugersdorp

**Director & Project Manager,** 2006 to 2016

Successfully completed the multi-disciplined project in record time and within budget whilst skilfully managing coal production ahead of schedule.

Led a staff of 300 subcontractors and periodically updated Chief Operating Officer with project progress. Monitored project risks to detect potential problems and proactively provided strategic direction during the implementation stages.

***Key Contributions:***

* Conducted pre-feasibility study for Barrick South Africa (Pty) Ltd and feasibility study for President Steyn Gold Mine, as well as for Central Energy Fund (Pty) Ltd for a client Sound Mining Solution (Pty) Ltd in platinum, gold and torbanite projects.
* Leveraged expertise for the conceptual design for Central Rand Gold (Pty) Ltd on behalf of Sound Mining Solution (Pty) Ltd (gold project).

***Key Projects:***

* Skilfully managed the projects of Klip Colliery and Vanggatfontein Project; an open cast coal mine for Keaton Mining (Pty) Ltd with a project value of +ZAR 500 million.
* Spearheaded a 400kV overhead power line (Majuba–Pegasus / Majuba–Venus & Majuba – Umfolozi 765kV) deviation project.
* Ashante Mineral Resources (Pty) Ltd of the Rietkuil project (coal) worth ZAR 906 million.
* Enabled a re-injection project, plant upgrade and underground Workshop for GEM Diamonds Botswana with a 100ton Surge bin.

ABB South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Powerlines Division) – Sunninghill

**Project Engineer,** 1997 to 2006

*Ensured strict compliance to applicable codes, practices, QA/QC policies, performance standards and specifications during the carrying out of projects.*

Determined project schedule, methodically estimated cost and enable the seamless execution of tenders for power line projects. Coordinated with personnel on daily basis regarding progress of work activities, procurement and operations to ensure timely completion of the project.

***Key Projects:***

* Directed the costing of the ZAR 400 million powerline project in Namibia.
* Ensured quality, safety and production of the ZAR 220 million GSM project in Cameroon.
* Oversaw quality control for the ZAR 160 million project consisting of 400kV Powerline Skorpion Project.
* Administered the material and cost control for 33kV Transmission Line Project in Mozambique.

**Additional Experience**

**Bid Proposals Manager,** Babcock Ntuthuko (Powerlines Division), Nigel

**Education and Certification**

**Masters of Commerce in Project Management (MComPM) (*Cum Laude*)** *(2016)*

Cranefield College of Project and Programme Management

**Post-Graduate Diploma in Project and Programme Management (PGDipPM)** *(2014)*

Cranefield College of Project and Programme Management

**Certified Director, 2008**

Institute of Directors in Southern Africa

**Advanced Diploma in Project & Programme Management (AdvDipPM)** *(2007)*

Cranefield College of Project and Programme Management

**PMP Certified (Project Management Professional)** *(2005)*

Project Management Institute

**National Diploma Civil Engineering (NDipCivil)** *(2008)*

University of Johannesburg

**N5 (Mechanical Engineering)** *(1996)*

Roodepoort Technical College

**Professional Courses / Training**

**SACPCMP registered as Candidate Construction Project Manager**

**Project Management Professional**

**I.T. Proficiency**

**Microsoft Office** • **CCS** • **AutoCAD 2010 (limited)** • **Microsoft Projects**