

# Westgold Resources Limited - Appointment of Chief Operating Officer

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Sydney, Australia (ABN Newswire) - Australian gold exploration and development company, [Westgold Resources Limited](#) (ASX:WGR) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Paul Hucker as Chief Operating Officer, effective from 31 October 2011. Mr Hucker's appointment further consolidates the key management operating experience of the Company, as it continues to target 200,000 ounces of annualised gold production in the next five years.

Mr Hucker is a Mining Engineer with more than 17 years' experience. He has held numerous senior operational management roles within Australia and internationally, in both underground and open pit operations. Most recently Mr Hucker held the position of General Manager for Alacer Gold, at its South Kalgoorlie Operation.

Importantly Mr Hucker has held a number of underground management roles, with specific experience at the large sublevel cave operation at Mt Marion near Kalgoorlie and Harmony Gold's Target mine in South Africa, mining large stopes at depths of greater than two kilometres.

The Board of Westgold welcomes Mr Hucker, as the Company continues to progress towards development of operating mines at its two key projects in the Central Murchison, Western Australia, and the Rover Project, Northern Territory.

## About Westgold Resources Limited:

[Westgold Resources Limited](#) (ASX:WGR) has established the strong platform to build Australia's next mid-tier Gold producer targeting production of 200,000 ounces per annum. This will be sourced from two main production centres located within two geological provinces which have historical combined production in excess of 10 Million ounces of gold.

The key projects are the Rover 1 Gold-Copper Project in the Northern Territory and the Central Murchison Gold Project in Western Australia which contain a 3 Million ounce gold equivalent resource base in aggregate. Both projects hold significant underlying exploration potential which will see the company well positioned to advance to production and build a project pipeline leveraging shareholder value from long life projects with established infrastructure.

The Company is building near term gold production from an integrated open pit and underground mining operation at the brown fields Central Murchison Gold Project (CMGP) and will move to develop a decline access to the Rover 1 deposit over the next 12 months.

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