### Box 4. Key events 1966–1981

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| 1966 | Lake View and Star (London Stock Exchange listed) granted Australian residency status.  
Associated Minerals Consolidated acquisition of Titanium and Zirconium Industries.  
Commissioning of Renison tin mine and mill. |
| 1967 | First full year of production from the Federal lode, Renison.  
Gold Fields Australian Development Company liquidated. |
| 1968 | Mount Lyell expansion plan commenced. |
| 1969 | Majority shareholding in Western Titanium acquired by Consolidated Gold Fields Australia.  
Mount Lyell smelter and refinery closed.  
North-West Acid formed as a 50/50 per cent partnership between Mount Lyell and EZ Industries, to produce sulphuric acid from pyrite from both companies. Sulphuric acid plant constructed at Burnie, Tasmania.  
Controlling interest in Lawrenson Holdings acquired. |
| 1970 | View Star formed as joint exploration vehicle between Lake View and Star and Consolidated Gold Fields Australia.  
Production commenced, North-West Acid. |
| 1971 | Poseidon takeover of Lake View and Star.  
Acquisition of OT Lempriere and Company, smelter, refiner and alloy manufacturer.  
Acquisition of 51 per cent interest in Ferro Alloys Tasmania and formation of Kemerton.  
Lease signed with Hanwright for involvement in McCamey’s Monster. |
| 1972 | Board approval for construction of 30,000 tons ilmenite beneficiation plant.  
Gunpowder copper project, Queensland, commenced production (70 per cent interest).  
Lion Properties established for residential property development activities. |
| 1973 | Privy Council refuses leave to appeal against a ruling that allows Western Titanium to proceed with development of Adamson syndicate leases at Eneabba, Western Australia.  
Colinas established as wholly owned subsidiary for agricultural pursuits, New South Wales.  
Lion Properties Settlement Shores residential development. |
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| 1974 | Eneabba mineral sands development approved  
Commissioning of ilmenite beneficiation plant |
| 1976 | Sir Brian Massy-Greene steps down as managing director; retires as chairman later in year  
Bart Ryan appointed managing director; Sid Segal appointed chairman  
Decision to sell one-third interest in Mount Goldsworthy Mining Associates to Consolidated Gold Fields and Mount Isa Mines  
Sale of Pancontinental Mining shareholding generated $3.75 million  
Merger of Associated Minerals Consolidated and Western Titanium, completed 1977 |
| 1977 | Prince Lyell Extended Plan implemented after approved by Mount Lyell directors in December 1976  
Sale of Commonwealth Mining Investments (Australia)  
Gunpowder copper project suspended and placed on care and maintenance |
| 1978 | Lawrenson Alumasc Holdings sold |
| 1979 | Consolidated Gold Fields Australia (CGFA) acquired Jennings Industries’ tenements and plant at Eneabba  
Bellambi Coal sale completed  
CGFA entered Porgera joint venture, Papua New Guinea  
CGFA interest in North-West Acid assigned to EZ Industries after accumulated losses |
| 1980 | Associated Minerals Consolidated acquisition of Titanium Enterprises, Green Cove Springs, Florida  
Max Roberts appointed executive chairman  
Bart Ryan retires as managing director; remains a director until 1982  
Sid Segal retires as chairman, remains a director until 31 December 1982 |
| 1981 | Renison Goldfields Consolidated Ltd established 24 July 1981; the largest amalgamation of companies in Australian history to that time  
New Guinea Gold Fields acquired; 50 per cent offered to Consolidated Gold Fields. Renamed NGG Holdings  
Commissioning at Eneabba commenced  