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## **RESOLUTION COPPER PROMOTES DENNIS OSBORN TO MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT**

SUPERIOR, Arizona (September 18, 2006) --- Resolution Copper today announced the promotion of Dennis Osborn to Maintenance Superintendent. In this role, Dennis will be responsible for the development and installation of maintenance systems, successful integration of those systems, and leadership of a support staff.

“Dennis has been a key part of our success in closing and rehabilitating the Superior site, and I am delighted by his promotion to this position,” said Bill Williams, Vice President of Health, Safety and Environment and Construction for Resolution Copper.

Osborn joined Resolution Copper in 2004 as project supervisor after a 39 year career with Magma Copper Company and BHP where he held positions of increasing responsibility. His professional experience includes posts as a mill mechanic, electrical journeyman, electrical supervisor, and maintenance group leader. Prior to his promotion, Osborn has been managing the company’s voluntary cleanup efforts at the Superior site, and has been an integral member of the pre-feasibility project team supporting issues including dewatering, hoisting and project infrastructure.

A Florence native, Dennis was raised in Superior and is a class of '65 Superior High School graduate. He began his impressive career with Magma Copper during the summers while he attended Arizona State University.

In addition to his educational background, Osborn served his country in the United States Army, where he was made Sergeant. He spent one year overseas in Vietnam and returned to Magma Copper full time in 1970.

Dennis and his wife, Janice, have been married for 36 years. They have three children, Christy, Ryan and Debbie.

### **About Resolution Copper**

Resolution Copper is manager of the Resolution project, a joint venture with BHP Billiton. The project is located in the historic Pioneer Mining District three miles east of Superior, Arizona.

The project is in the early stages of evaluation; however, it is believed to be the largest copper ore body in North America. If developed, the mine will be completely underground employing 21st century mining techniques that both respects the environment and serves as a positive force for sustainable development. Anticipated benefits include a boost to Arizona economies through federal, state and local taxes; more than 1,000 construction jobs, and about 400 full-time positions. For more information visit [www.resolutioncopper.com](http://www.resolutioncopper.com).

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