



## Dale E. Heinz

Dale E. Heinz graduated from Bowling Green State University with a B.A. degree in 1974. Upon graduation, Heinz joined The Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland, Ohio, in the blast furnace department as a management trainee. He held a series of supervisory positions of growing responsibility through 1994 with Republic Steel and then LTV Steel post-merger. Heinz earned his M.B.A. from Baldwin-Wallace College in 1993 with honors.

From 1994 to 1996, Heinz was the manager of furnace operations at USS/Kobe Steel in Lorain, Ohio. Heinz rejoined LTV Steel in the steel-producing area and was promoted to department manager in 1998. In 2000, he was promoted to division manager of primary operations and transferred to the Indiana Harbor Works in East Chicago, Ind. In 2002, Heinz joined International Steel Group Inc. (ISG) in East Chicago with similar responsibilities. Heinz became a part of the transition team at Burns Harbor during ISG's acquisition of Bethlehem Steel. He remained at Burns Harbor as the division manager of primary operations. Upon the completion of the merger with Mittal Steel USA, Heinz became the senior division manager of primary operations at Burns Harbor.

He has been a member of The Association for Iron and Steel Technology (AIST) and its predecessor organizations for 35 years. He has served on the Ironmaking and Steelmaking program committees, first for ISS and recently with AIST. He is a recipient of the Iron & Steel Society's J.E. Joseph Jr. Award for creativity in ironmaking. In addition to the AIST Foundation, Heinz has served as the chapter chairman for the ISS Cleveland chapter, the chapter chairman of the ISS Midwest chapter, and the chapter chairman for the AIST Midwest Member Chapter. In 2013 Heinz served as President of The American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers (AIME), and in 2016 Heinz became an Honorary Member of AIME. In 2019 he was recognized by AIST as a Distinguished Member and Fellow.

In 2020, Heinz accepted a position with International Recycling Group, a startup firm planning to take post-consumer plastic waste and convert it to an alternative fuel source for the steel-making industry. In his new role as VP Technology – Steel, he plans to contribute to improving the environment by reducing or eliminating plastic waste going into landfills, lakes, rivers, streams, and the oceans.