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Emergency Mine Communication System

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Technology to Answer the Challenge

Technologies for Topics A.1 and E.1

Challenge:

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 Provide emergency communications from miners to the surface when the mine's communication infrastructure is damaged and inoperable.

Technology:

- Communications based on low frequency RF is a potential solution for emergency communications.
 - Miners would have a man-portable transceiver allowing *two-way* communications between them and the surface in an emergency:
 - Data and voice two-way communication capability
 - Inertial navigation unit for location information
 - Rescuers would have a larger transceiver unit:
 - Sophisticated receiver for improved sensitivity to detect weak up-link signals from miners
 - Powerful transmitter for assured down-link communication to miners
 - Portable for rapid deployment on the surface or in the mine itself
 - Optionally, distributed receivers could be installed in the mine to reduce the distance from trapped miners to the nearest receiver thereby making the emergency communication system more robust

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MS2 brings advanced sensors and processing capabilities that are key to meeting this challenge.

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