











Underground Communication and Tracking Systems





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Australia: Sydney-Kalgoorlie-Mt Isa-Mackay

Canada: Sudbury USA: St Louis













Our mission

Enhancing Safety and Production

- Specific communication technologies and devices designed for the mining industry
- Safety enhancements through use of communication technologies
- Process control through the use of these technologies
- Systems designed to a more stringent standard for the mining industry I.E. Cell Phones.

















MST is the global leader in underground communications

- PED a text message system to every miner underground
- TRACKER a system to track location of people and equipment in zones
- ICCL integration of PED and Tracker into a light weight cap lamp battery
- ImPact wireless technologies.
- VDV Leaky Feeder Radio two way voice radio system

















Over 250 clients in 5 Continents

Canada:

3 ImPact Systems

12 PED/BlastPED

Systems

3 VDV System

United States:

20 PED Systems

10 VDV Systems

Sweden:

1 PED System

Mongolia:

1 ImPact System

China:

15 PED Systems **4 TRACKER Systems**

2 ImPact Systems

2 BlastPED

Systems

Chile:

2 VDV Systems

1 BlastPED

System

Tanzania:

3 BlastPED **System**

MST Office

MST Distributor

Australia:

3 ImPact Systems

72 PED Systems

55 VDV Systems

40 BlastPED Systems 4 TRACKER Systems



20 Years of Mining Innovation













Some of our Valued Customers Include:



















































Personal Emergency Divce®

- Following Moura 1986 explosion, 12 fatalities.
- Underground infrastructure destroyed.
- Development started in 1987
- > Review of previous research
- Fire evacuation notice. Sunshine Mine, Kellogg, Idaho May 2, 1972 - 91 Killed
- Contact U/G-- with surface antenna, text had more usefulness
- Commercially available 1990
- MSHA approved June-1991
- COMMUNICATIONS during a mine emergency are a critical part of fire fighting and evacuation activities.
 - A successful evacuation or fire fighting operation is dependent on the quality of the information that is communicated.

The sooner miners are notified of a problem, the greater the chance of escape and/or fire fighting activities can begin.

TIME IS NEVER YOUR FRIEND

U.S. Department of Labor Mine Safety and Health Administration















Personal Eemergency Divce

ULF Mine Wide Text messaging system

> Safety:

- Mine Wide Warning. (Is not limited to line of sight)
- Everyday communication tool.
- Custom text messages detail hazard, evacuation route, update situation, etc.
- Remote, surface blast initiation.

> Productivity:

- Contact personnel wherever they are in the mine.
- Efficiency through remote control of fans, pumps etc.
 - Effective remote blast initiation.















PED Receiver - from "Add ON" to Integration

1989 Prototype Receiver



1990 BeltPED 1 - 3.2 kg



1992 BeltPED 2 - **3.1 kg**



<u>2 – Way</u> 2007-2008

2005 ICCL - **0.8 kg**



1995 BeltPED 3 - 2.4 kg





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PED® Operation Schematic

Data Link



PC running PEDCALL for entering messages.

Emergency broadcast



PED Modulator

PED ULF Transmitter

PED Antenna
(Surface or Underground)



Ultra Low Frequency Transmission Through Rock

System designed for selfdiagnostics, ground fault, open antenna, lighting etc.

PED Receivers can be:

- ICCL Personal Receiver (shown)
- AutoPED Vehicle Receiver
- <u>ControlPED</u> for Equipment Switching
- BlastPED for Remote Blast Initiation



















BeltPED® Top

Push button to Light up Display or Recall Stored Messages

Push Button Lights
Display so time can be
read, after 5 seconds
the last message
received is displayed.



Liquid Crystal Display Screen

Can display up to 32 character message







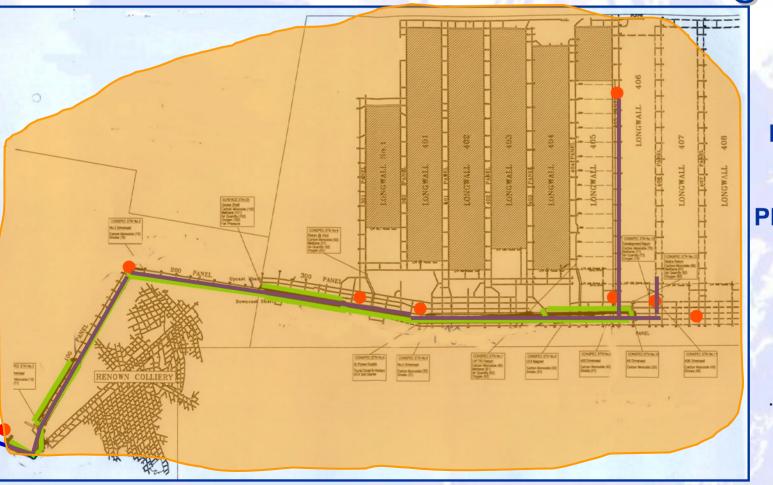








Communication Coverage



Phones - 5%

Leaky Feeder – 20%

PED – One-Way +98%







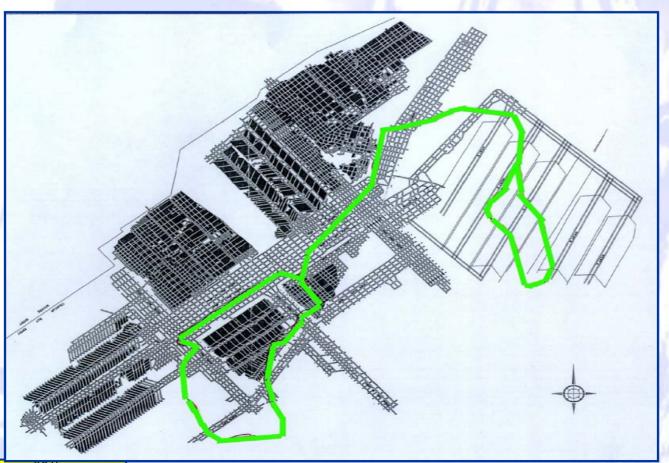








PED® Antenna - Wallarah Colliery



Surface antenna protected from blast and fire.

> 12,000 ft & 8,000 ft Surface Antennas

Powered by one Transmitter



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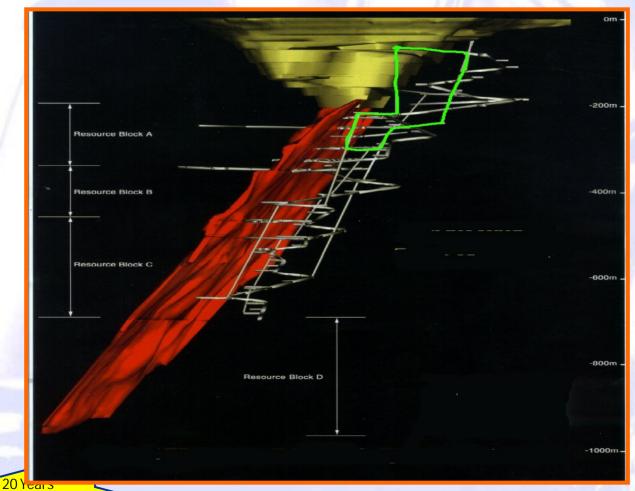








PED® Antenna -Kanowna Belle



5,000 ft Underground Antenna







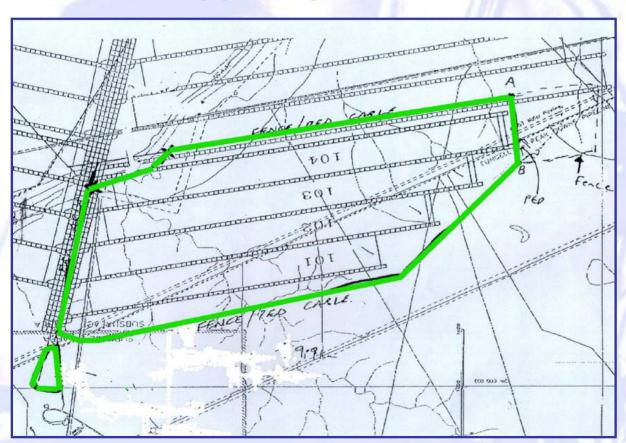








PED® Antenna - Moranbah North Coal Mine



Broader coverage by increasing antenna size!!

33,000 ft Surface Antenna.









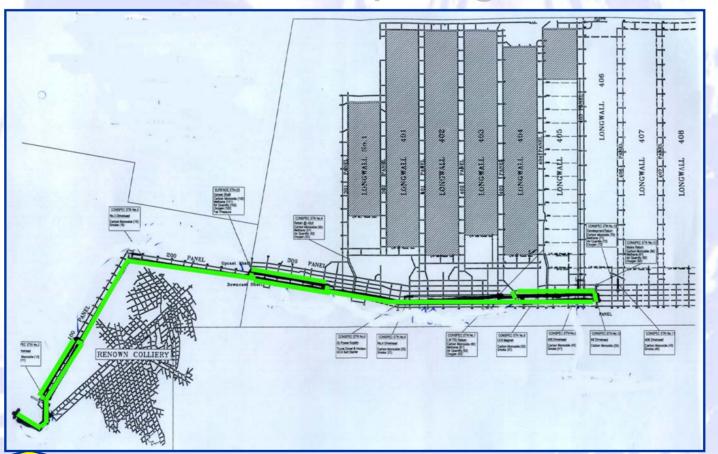








PED® Antenna - Springvale Coal Mine



Surface antenna could be used in an emergency.





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PED Installations and Usage

<u>Australia</u>

Mine		Antenna	Pagers	Messages/Shift	
Cook	1991	Surface - 30,000 ft	45	10-20	
North Goonyella	1993	Surface - 29,000 ft	140	20-30	¥,
Newstan	2000	U/G - 35,000 ft	250	40-50	
Myuna	2001	U/G - 28,000 ft (Covers 3 seams)	200	35-45	
Oaky North	1998	Surface- x 2	245	30-50	
Clarence	2000	U/G - 32,000 ft	120	25-35	
Moranbah North	1997	Surface - 33,000 ft	320	40-50	
Crinum	1997	Surface – 27,000 ft & 35,000 ft	280	40-60	
West Cliff 20 Years	2001	Surface – 29,000 ft & 44,000 ft	260	50-60	SITE OGIES













PED Installations and Usage

United States / Australia

Mine	1	Antenna	Pagers	Messages/Shift
Andalex	1997	U/G - 40,000 ft	100	30-40
Genwal	1998	U/G - 38,000 ft	50	20-30
Dendrobium	2004	U/G - 34,000 ft	180	40-50
Springvale	2001	U/G - 20,000 ft	250	35-45
Beltana	2003	Surface – 22,000 ft	80	25-30
Glennies Creek	2001	U/G - 25,000 ft	50	20-30
Broadmeadow	2005	Surface – 33,000 ft	140	30-40
West Wallsend	2000	Surface & U/G – 27,000 ft & 20,000 ft	170	40-50
Enterprise	1998	U/G - 15,000 ft	690	60-80













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PED Installations and Usage

United States

Mine		Antenna	Pagers	Messages/Shift
Со-ор	1999	U/G	40	20-40
Dugout	2000	U/G	75	20-30
ВНР	1999	Surface X 2	150	40-50
Air Quality	2001	U/G	50	30-40
Laurel Mountain	2000	U/G	21	25-30
North American Rock Salt	1999	U/G	50	20-30
Robison Run	2000	U/G	X	20-30
18 total U.S	1 ST 1996	70 -100% Coverage	2)4	Antenna Dependent
	World wide	140 systems	+ 10,000	













TRACKER Tagging System Benefits

- You always know who is IN, or OUT of the mine.
- You know the location of Personnel and Equipment within clearly defined zones underground.
- > Enables you to control mine logistics.
- Integrates with a mine's existing systems.

Significant benefits can therefore gained in:

- > Safety Management
- > People
- > Equipment-Asset Management
- > Supplies

















TRACKER Tagging System - Basic Operation

- Readers/Beacons are set up at Strategic Locations throughout the mine.
- > 150 ft reading radius.



An active Tag, worn by personnel or mounted on vehicles, radiates a unique "ID" to the Reader Beacons.



Self Contained Tag

MSHA - approved 2003





TECHNOLOGIES





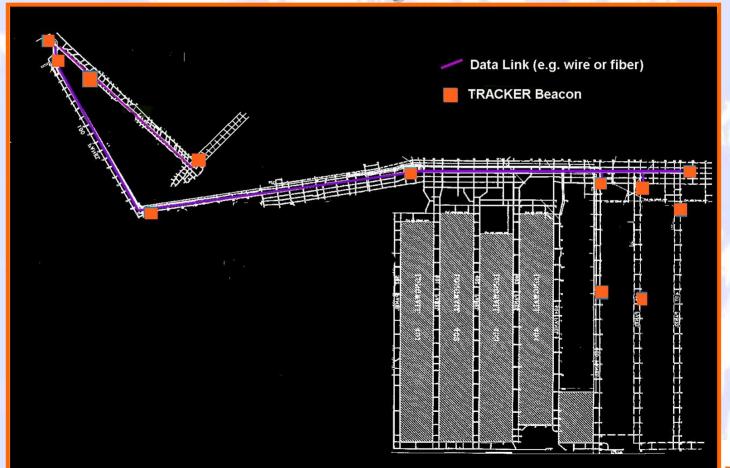








TRACKER Beacon Layout - Coal Mine









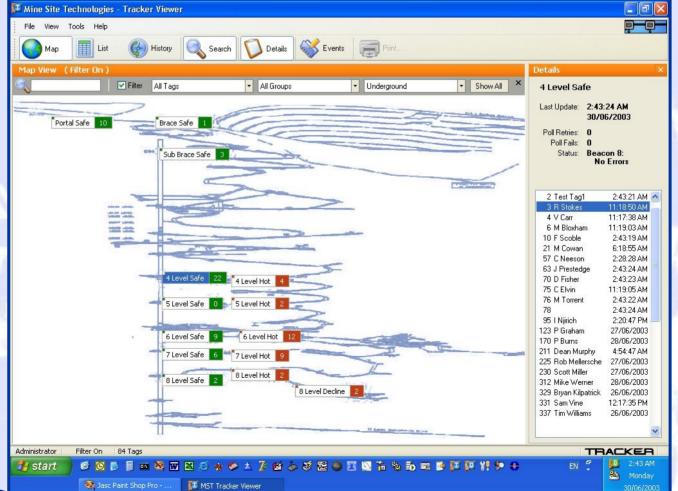








TRACKER Display Software









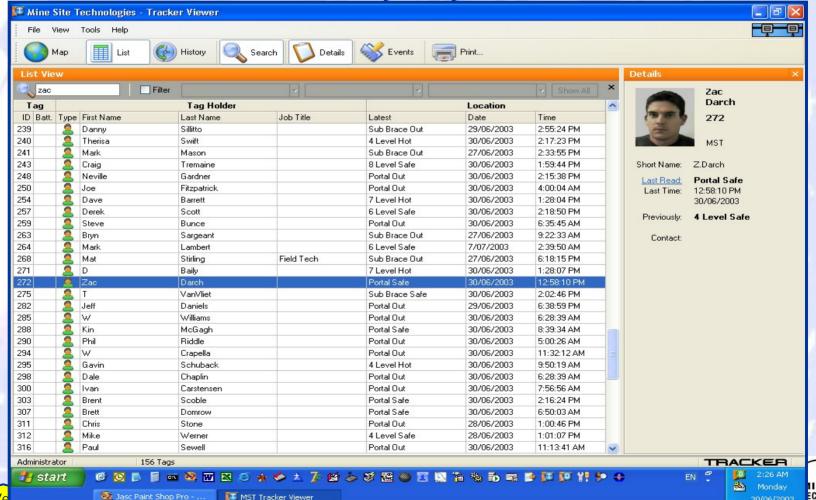








TRACKER Display Software















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Zone Display Units



Large Format LED Units allow Tag numbers into zones to be displayed to control access, such as:

- Personnel numbers can be displayed relative to a pre-set limit (e.g. because of availability of SCSR's or CABA re-fill points).
- Diesel equipment limitations can be automatically displayed to control access dependent on ventilation requirements















Tagging System - Personnel Safety

Improves safety management of personnel, by knowing their location underground at all times. Benefits include:

- Streamlines access control into ventilation districts in line with available self rescue apparatus inbye – removes tag board delays.
- > During an emergency the withdrawal of personnel can be monitored.
- > During an evacuation the location of items (e.g. PJB) that may assist their evacuation can be known and advised.
- > These safety enhancements are paid for by the vehicle/asset cost benefits
- Potential to extend Tag technology into Proximity Detection















Thank you!!

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