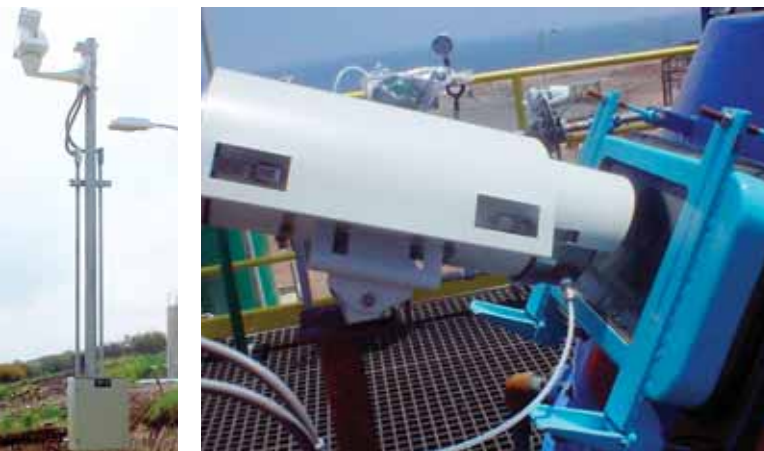


NEW HEIGHTS OF TECHNOLOGY FOUND IN DEPTHS OF CHILEAN MINES

WITH SIGNIFICANT DEPOSITS LOCATED THROUGHOUT CHILE, COPPER MINING HAS BEEN A DRIVING COMMERCIAL INDUSTRY FOR DECADES. AND IN THE LAST THREE YEARS ALONE, COPPER PRICING HAS REALIZED A THREE-AND-A-HALF-FOLD INCREASE.



With rising demand, technologies used to extract copper have improved and become more efficient. And the use of video security technologies from Pelco is also helping mining companies monitor operations and control processes, resulting in increased productivity and the safety of miners.

By offering a large selection of quality products tailored to the unique requirements of industrial applications, Pelco solutions have been the choice for installation in mining centers throughout the country. From assisting operators who control the largest of machinery in the Andean Cordilleras to keeping watch over the rail system in the Teniente mine – the largest underground mine in the world located just south of Santiago – Pelco systems play a vital role in protecting the significant investments made in mining infrastructure, advanced-technology machinery and – most important of all – the miners themselves.

Teknos, a local system integrator in Chile, has provided Pelco video security solutions for several mining sites in Chile, including Codelco North, Codelco Salvador Division, Codelco Andean Division, Codelco Teniente Division, Codelco Ventanas, Mining Company Doña Inés de Collahuasi, Altonorte Foundation, Escondida Mining, Spence Mining, and AngloChile Mining.

In general, Pelco products, including Esprit and Spectra positioning systems, a comprehensive offering of digital video recorders, and explosion-proof and day/night camera systems protect industrial infrastructure, restricted areas, buildings, warehouses, parking lots, machinery, access roads, and perimeters. While many mines are currently using analog-based systems, there is a migration being witnessed to the deployment of network-based technologies and systems, many times such systems with other security applications, including Access Control, Fire Detection, Alarms and Biometrics.

Teknos has had a commercial relationship with Pelco for over ten years. “My relationship with Pelco and Crockett International during all this time has been excellent,” explains Jorge Hess, Director of Teknos. “Their products are of the highest quality, delivering unwavering performance and their pre- and post-sale support, training and marketing is much appreciated. Pelco products are easy to install and require minimal maintenance. These are key factors when a video security solution is needed.” 