

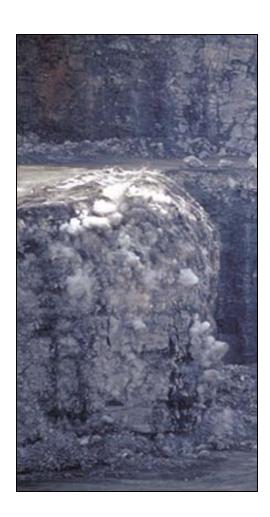
Onsite Explosives Mixing & Deploying

Atlantic Alliance V Leesburg, Virginia 25 September, 2008



Dyno Nobel





- A division of Incitec Pivot Ltd (IPL).
- World #2 explosives producer.
- 4,500 employees in 10 countries.
- **\$1.2B** in revenue in 2007
- Complete vertical integration:
 - Oxidizers (Ammonium nitrate)
 - Fertilizers
 - Emulsions
 - Packaged explosives (dynamite)
 - Initiating systems
 - Delivery systems
 - Drilling, blasting & consulting services

The Recent History of Explosives



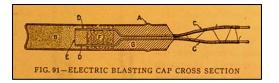




Water Gels

Ammonium nitrate

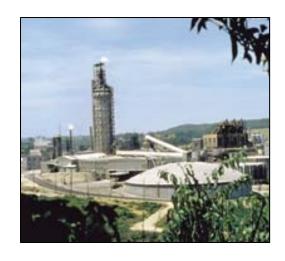
TNT



ANFO

1863 1866 1866 1884 1950's 1956 1969 1971

Ammonium Nitrate











[Ammonia + nitric acid] + $[H_2O]$ + [Oil] + [Surfactant] = Emulsion

[Emulsion] + [sensitizer] = bulk sensitized emulsion

Emulsions

Benefits

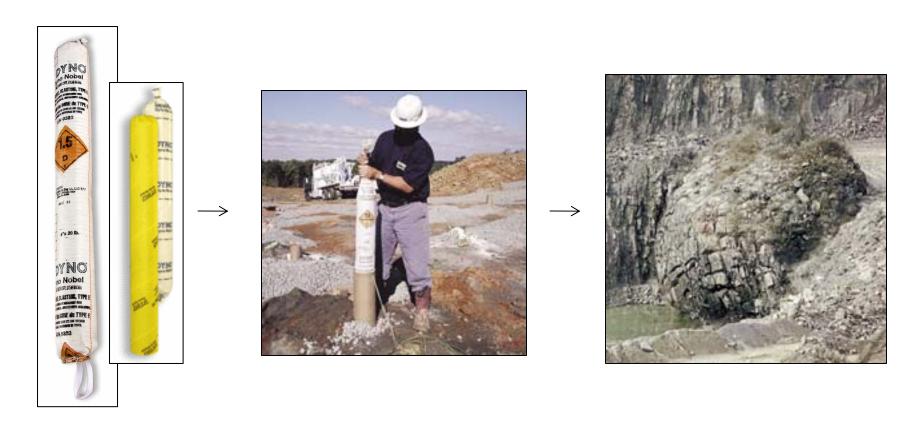
- Improved manufacturing, distribution & application safety.
- Custom formulations (fixed site, packaged & on-site).
- Enhanced performance (explosive power).
- Can work in either wet or dry conditions.
- Full borehole coupling optimizes energy transfer.





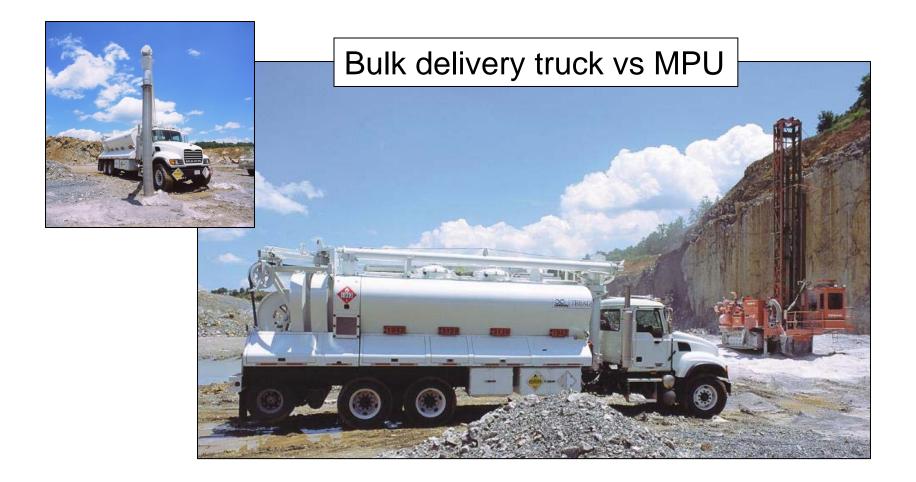


Packaged Products

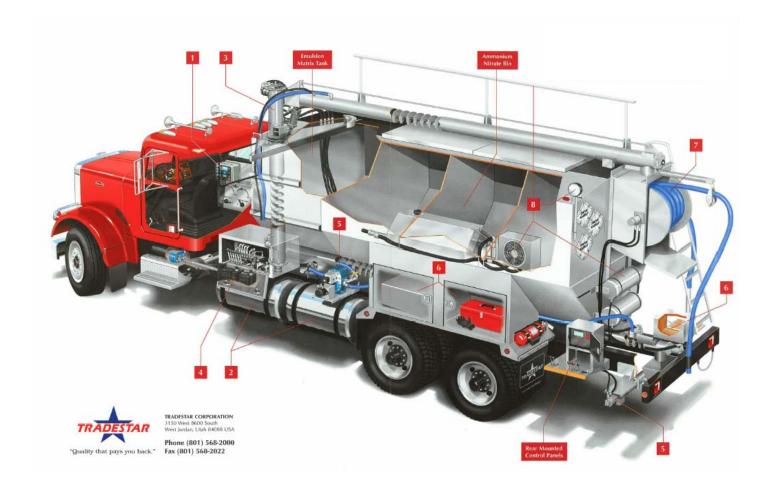


Dynamite, ANFO, emulsions

Delivery Systems



MPU: Multiple Processing Unit



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MPU's: Application Specific









MPU Safety Engineering

Transfer Pumps:
High temp & pressure, low flow shutdowns with rupture discs.





Electro-hydraulic Controls: Minimize loading errors.

Portable, Pneumatic U/G MPU's





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The Near Future





Mobile, project-based, bulk emulsion plants

Toulouse, France: 23 September, 2001



250 tons of ammonium nitrate

Initiating Systems: Electric & Non-electric

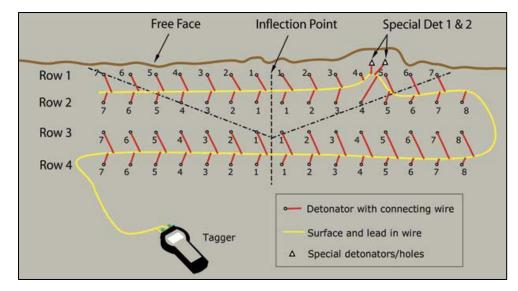




Initiation Systems: Electronic





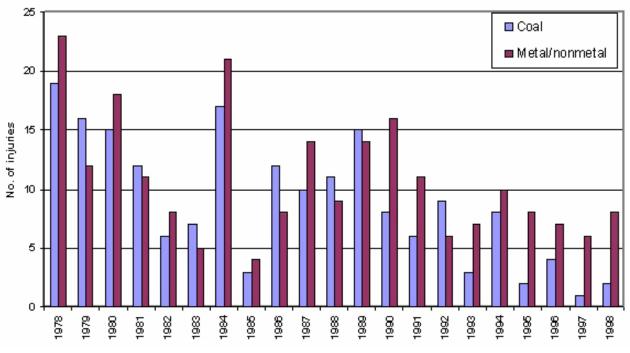


Onsite Mixing & Blasting Safety Issues

- Blast site security & control.
- Premature detonation: lightening, procedural errors.
 - Lightening detectors
- Toxic gases: CO, N₂O, NO₂
 - Oxidizer = Fuel: minimum potential for gas evolution
 - Oxidizer > Fuel: potential for NOx evolution.
 - Oxidizer < Fuel: potential for CO evolution.
- Improper blast design & management: fly rock.

Blasting Injuries In Surface Mines United States (1978 – 1998)





Source: NIOSH

Ammonium Nitrate

"As they contain no ingredient that is an explosive in itself, and also because of the desensitizing effect of the water content, all such emulsions have a high degree of inherent safety."

Rock Blasting & Explosives Engineering



Hwy 30 Cuatrocienegas, Mexico



7 September 2007

28 fatalities & 250 injuries

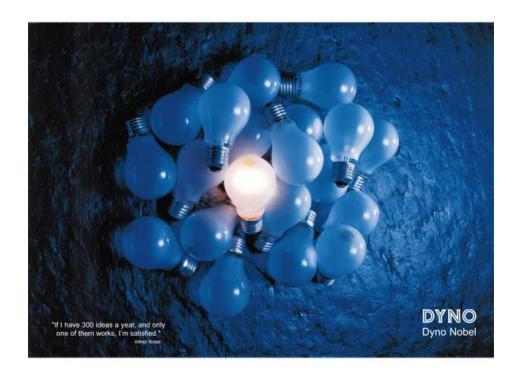


The Last Word in Explosives Safety





Thank You Atlantic Alliance



"If I have 300 ideas in a year and only one works, I'm satisfied"
Albert Nobel

Thank You For Your Attention

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