

Magneto-Inductive (MI) Technology Overview

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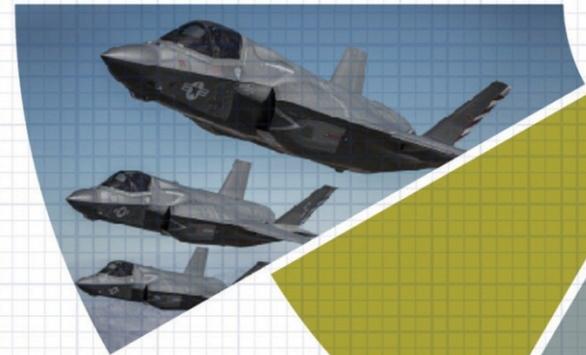
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Ultra 'At a Glance'

- FTSE 250 stock with strong financial track record



- Broad geographic reach and a wide customer base
- Operations in UK, USA, Canada, and Australia

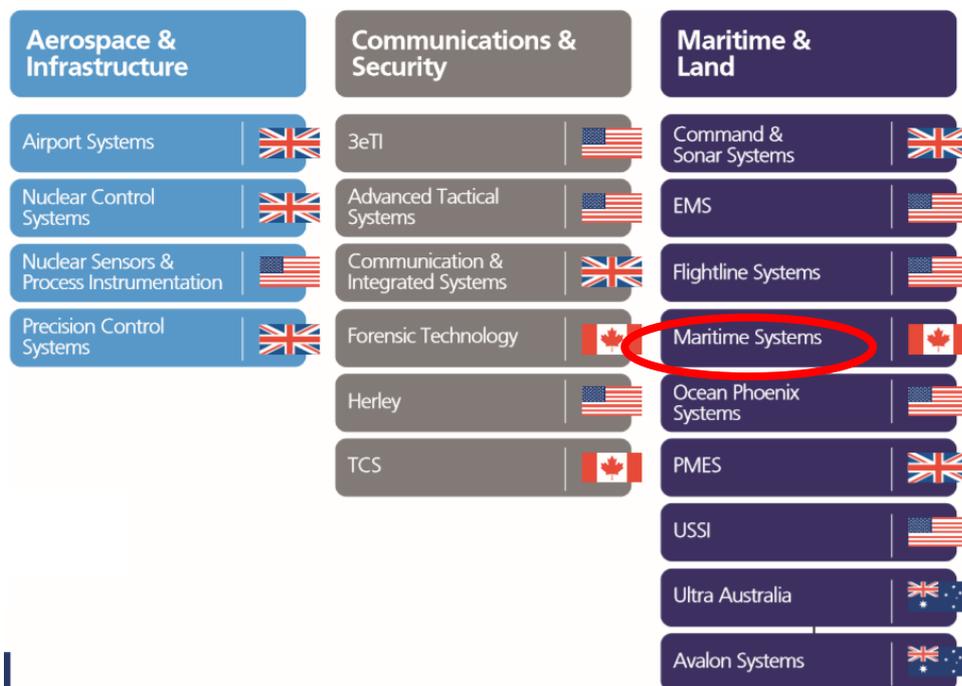
Geographic reach



What underpins Ultra's performance?

STRUCTURE AND CULTURE

- Agile, customer-focused organisation
- Value knowledge of customers' need
- Devolved authority and responsibility
- Flat structure and minimum bureaucracy
- Focused on innovation to achieve differentiation



Ultra Electronics Maritime Systems

More than 70 years experience in design, development, & manufacturing of sophisticated military systems for customers around the world

- Expendables
 - Sonobuoys
- Sonar
 - Towed Receiver Arrays (ships & submarines)
 - Low Frequency Active/Passive Sonar
- Magneto Inductive Signaling & Communications



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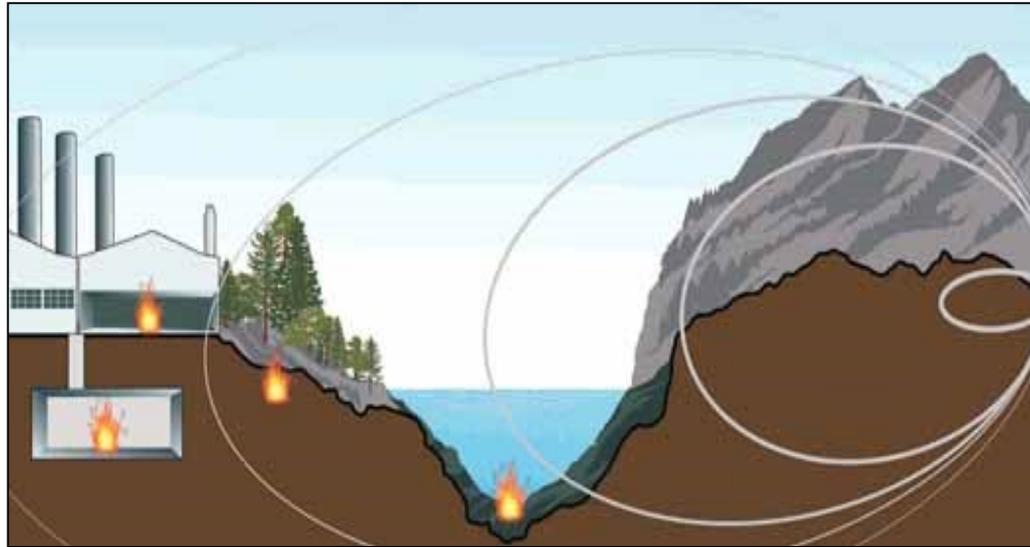
HISTORY

- Magneto-Inductive Systems Limited (MISL) had a 20+ year background in R&D, product development and manufacturing of MI products for military customers, primarily the US Department of Defense.
- MISL was acquired by Ultra in May 2008.
- Engineering, Business Development and Management is now integrated with Ultra in Dartmouth, NS.

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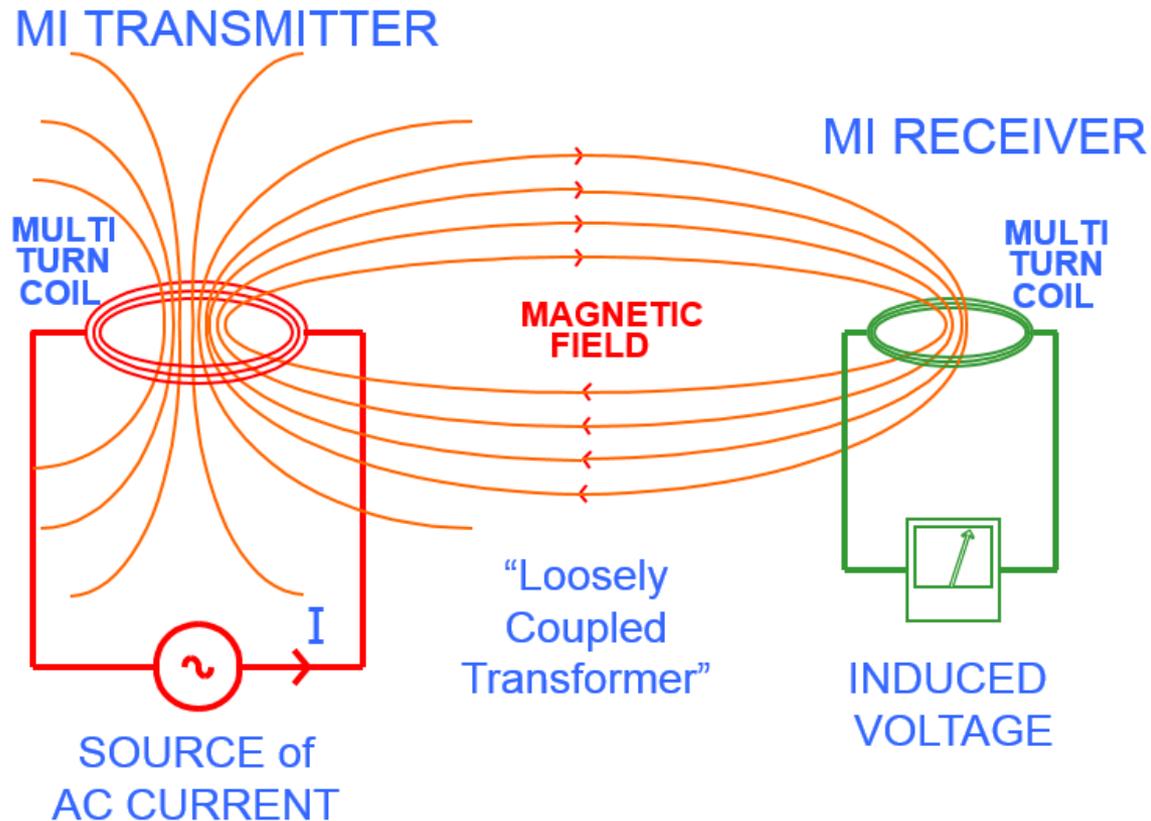
HOW IT WORKS - BASICS

- Uses Magnetic Fields for Signaling and Communication.
- Can transmit through almost anything: air, water, earth, rock, etc.
- Can be used for communication in “difficult” environments: underground caves/tunnels, mining and underground rescue, and in urban structures.
- Electrical conductivity of the medium attenuates the MI field strength (higher conductivity = higher attenuation).



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HOW IT WORKS – COMMUNICATION PRINCIPLES



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COMPARISON WITH RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

	MI	Common RADIO
Frequency	< 10 kHz	Most > 30 MHz, Minimum 3KHz
Range	50 m – 2 km	100m - many km
Directionality	Omnidirectional	Line of Sight
Electromagnetic Field used	Magnetic Magnetic Moment = Current * Area * Turns	Electric and Magnetic
Detection /Jamming	Difficult	Easy
Reflection Susceptibility	Minimal	Yes
Conductive Medium Effects	Minimal	Yes
Propagation Loss with distance	$1/R^3$	$1/R^2$

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PRODUCTS

DiverCOMM



- Frequency: ~ 5 kHz
- Range: Voice + data (2412bps): 100m
Narrowband Data (25bps): 200m
- Applications: Military and Commercial Diver Communications

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PRODUCTS

Rockphone / TerraCOMM

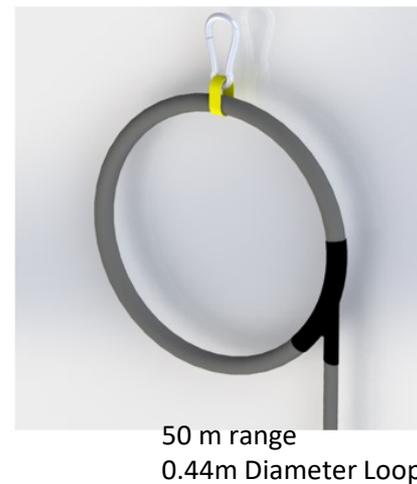
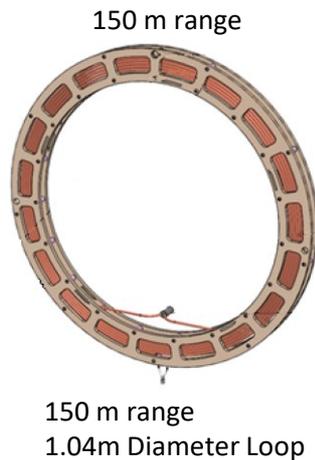
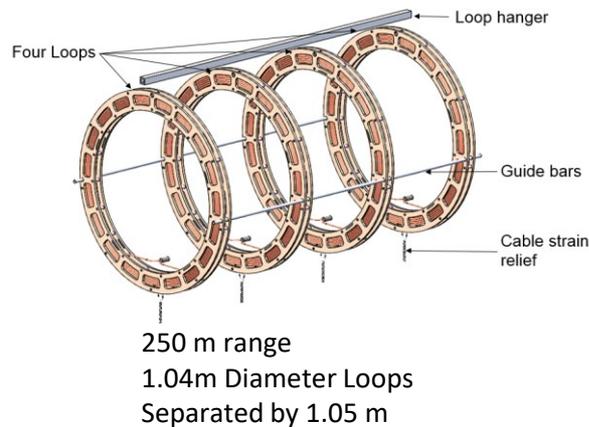
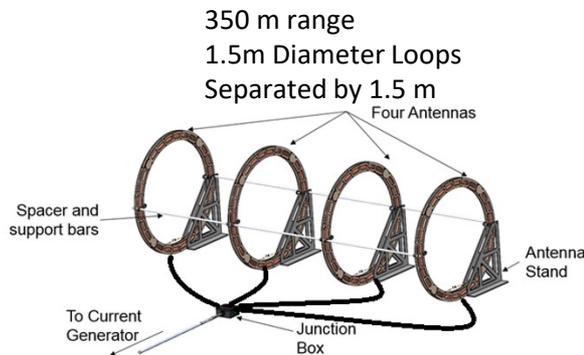
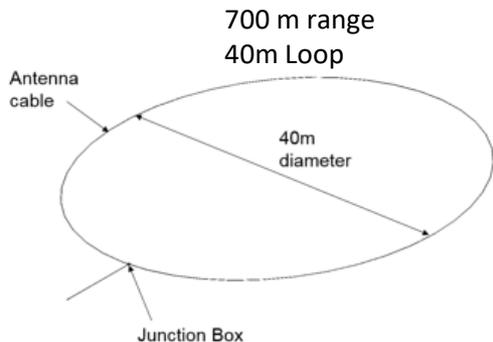


TerraCOMM™ Transceiver

- Frequency: ~ 5 kHz
- Range: Voice + data
(2412bps): 100m
Narrowband Data (25bps):
200m
- Applications: Mining / Tactical
/ Rescue Communications for
through-earth voice and data
communication system

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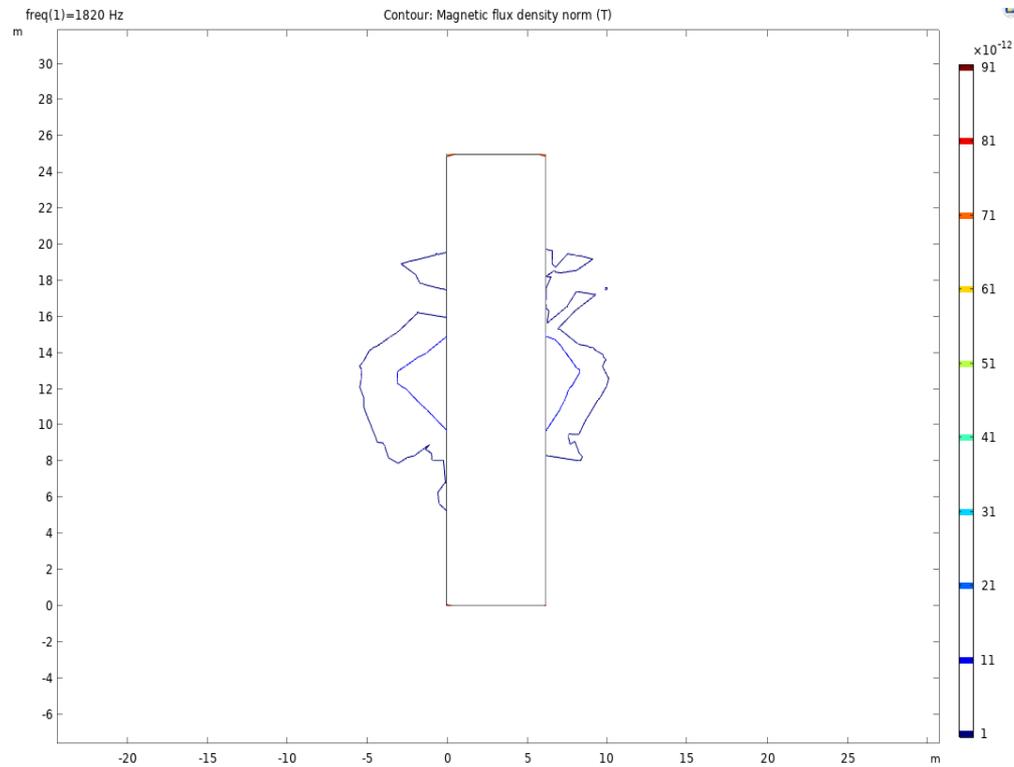
WIRELESS BLASTING WG200 – MULTIPLE ANTENNA OPTIONS



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SIMULATION 1 – TWO ANTENNAS (0.44M DIAMETER) IN ALUMINUM BOX

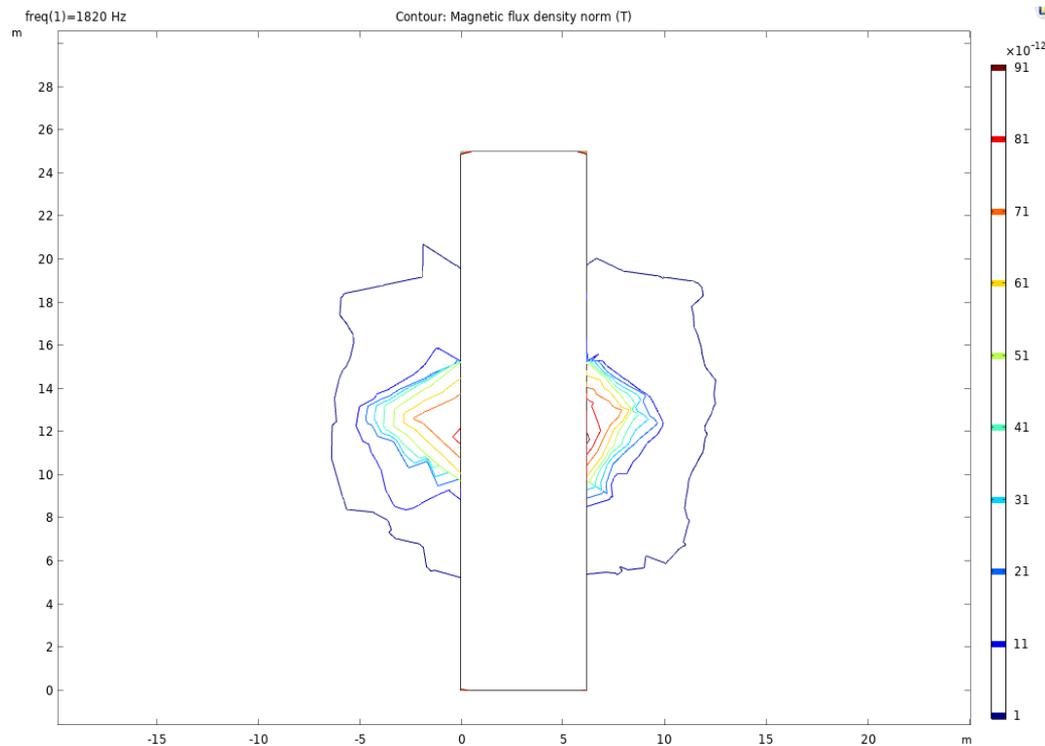
- **Power source:** 18.4 Amps-meters² (Am²) at the center of the box (6.2 x 6.2 x 25 meters)
- **Aluminum thickness:** 0.25"
- **Max Distance:** As per the contour lines below, 10 picoTesla (pT) MI field strength is achievable 4 meters past the aluminum box.



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SIMULATION 2 – TWO ANTENNAS (0.44M DIAMETER) IN ALUMINUM BOX

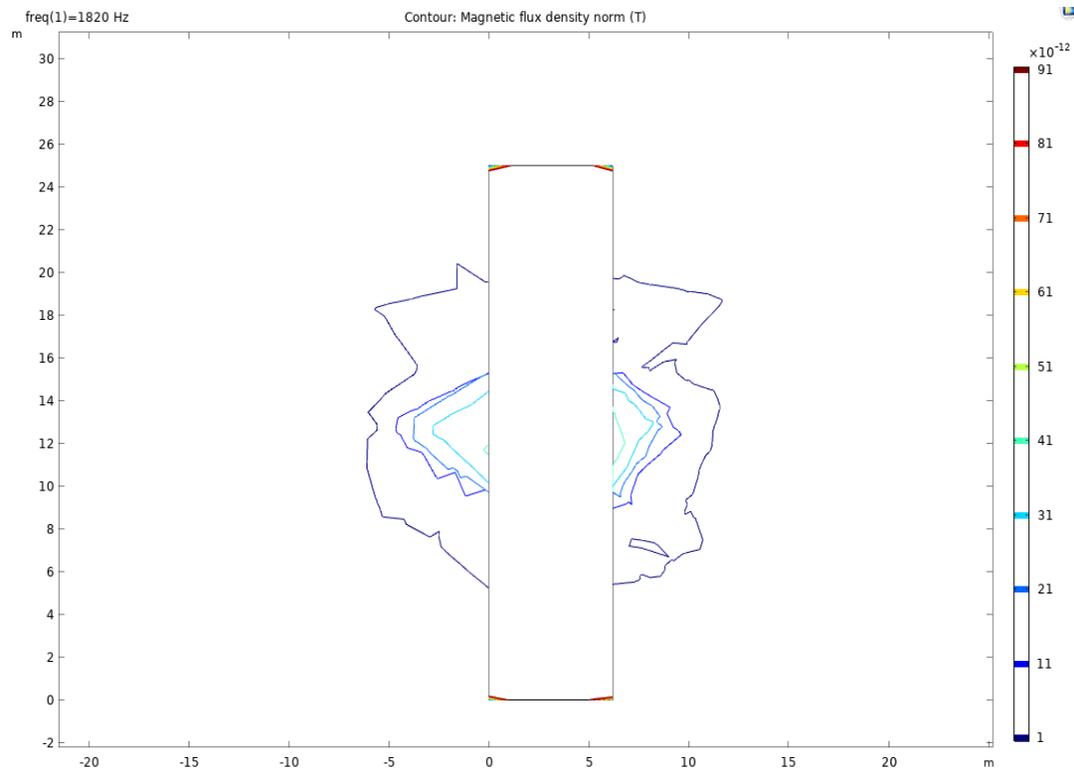
- **Power source:** 18.4 Am^2 at the center of the box (6.2 x 6.2 x 25 meters)
- **Aluminum thickness:** 0.125"
- **Max Distance:** As per the contour lines below, 10 pT MI field strength is achievable 5 meters past the aluminum box. The increased density of the contour lines indicates stronger MI field outside of the box.



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SIMULATION 3 – ONE ANTENNA (0.44M DIAMETER) IN ALUMINUM BOX

- **Power source:** 9.2 Am^2 at the center of the box (6.2 x 6.2 x 25 meters)
- **Aluminum thickness:** 0.125"
- **Max Distance:** As per the contour lines below, 10 pT MI field strength is achievable 5 meters past the aluminum box.



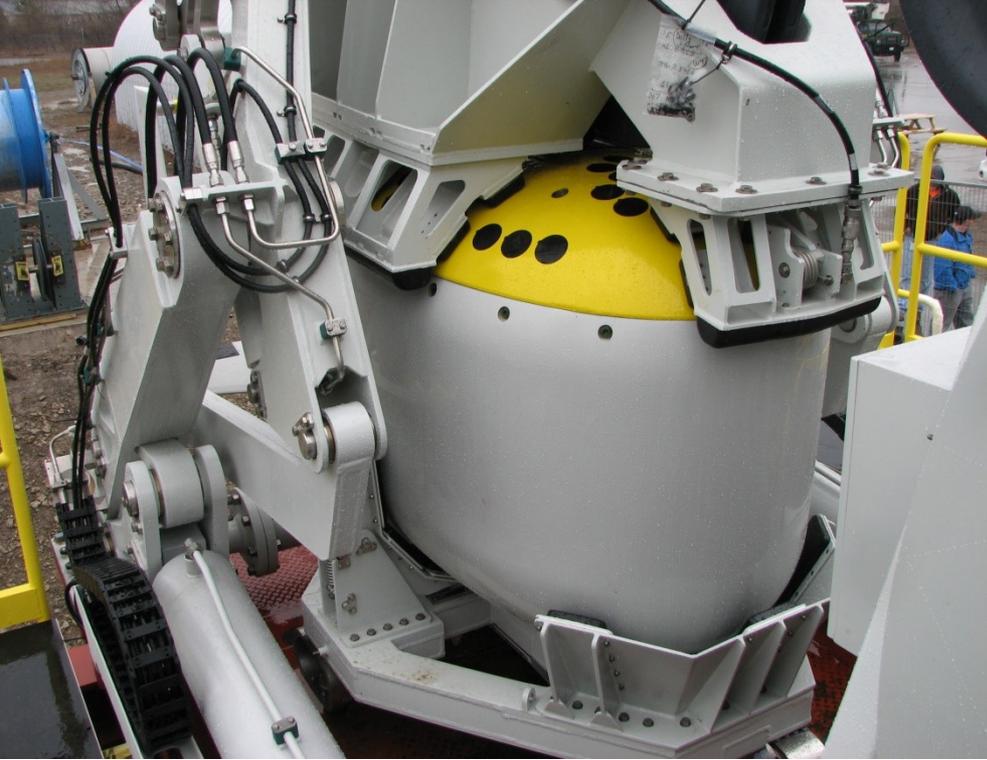
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CONCLUSION

- ULTRA's proprietary Magneto-Inductive technology supports several exciting product applications.
- It is being applied very effectively to wireless blasting systems in mines around the world, establishing new capabilities and a new market segment.



Questions?



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