

# 2014 YieldPoint Introduction



## Introduction to YieldPoint Solutions

- Andrew Hyett, Founder, Owner & CEO
- References: YieldPoint Clients in the last year
- Digital and Analog instruments
- YieldPoint Instruments
- Unique Features of YieldPoint Extensometers

# Dr. Andrew Hyett, Founder, Owner & CEO



Dr. Andrew Hyett

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Post Doc Queen's University, Kingston, ON

Co-Founder, MDT, Kingston, 1990

Founder & Owner, YieldPoint Inc., 2001

Innovative Digital Geotechnical Instrumentation

Well published expert in rock mechanics and ground anchors behaviour

Working relationships with mines and academia

Frequent peer reviewer

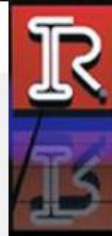
# YIELDPOINT CLIENTS



**BOLIDEN**



centerra**GOLD**



Minera San Rafael S.A.  
GUATEMALA



**GOLD FIELDS**



**lundin mining**

**Qubit**  
systems



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# INTRODUCTION TO YIELDPOINT INSTRUMENTS AND MARKETS



Extensometers improve *Safety* and *Productivity* by monitoring the strength and soundness of ground support structures.

**SAFETY:** Monitoring movements in the rock is paramount as it allows engineers to take remediation measures before risks become tangible.

**PRODUCTIVITY:** Unexpected groundfalls force evacuations and closures for assessment and remediation. Weeks of production are lost. Any mitigation will lower final costs enormously.

# ANALOG INSTRUMENTS



Analog instruments present both complexities and risks that are entirely resolved by digital solutions.

# COMPLEXITY WITH ANALOG INSTRUMENTS



- Readings in engineering units must be converted.
- Deployment must be recorded manually and accurately.
- Instruments/loggers/ports connections must be mapped.
- Changes to configuration must be documented accurately.
- Repairs to broken wires must reproduce previous configuration accurately.
- Data streams out of loggers are not identified.
- Instruments cannot be calibrated individually.
- Manual data processing must take place to obtain usable readings.

# RISKS WITH ANALOG INSTRUMENTS



- Data rendered useless with any mistake in system deployment/labeling/mapping/repairs.
- Data unreliable if broken wires improperly repaired.
- Small manual errors when downloading will associate data files with wrong instruments.
- No way to identify whether data files are properly addressed.
- Instruments cannot be individually calibrated.
- Instruments cannot be optimized.
- Harsh environments affect data reliability.
- Less reliable data compromises safety.

# COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES FOR YIELDPOINT



- World's only range of digital geotechnical instruments.
- Data processing right at the site of the measurement.
- Readings directly in millimeters. No need for risky manual conversions.
- Individual instruments ID for easy deployment without configuration.
- No need for reconfiguration after changes and repairs to system.
- Data files always associated to each individual instrument ID.
- Instruments individually calibrated in factory for optimized performance.
- Digital data strings very solid for transmission in harsh environments.
- Seamless communications via d-MESH radio telemetry.
- Complete compatibility of readout, data loggers and radios.
- Cloud access via Ethernet and Wifi.

# YieldPoint Digital Instruments



Digital Extensometers



Digital Instrumented Cables



Digital Bolt Anchors



Data Loggers



Biaxial Inclinometer



Digital Instrumented Rebar



Digital Ground  
Movement  
Monitor



Radio Telemetry Solution

# YIELDPOINT INSTRUMENTS



## DISPLACEMENT

d-GMM

d-MICRO

d-MPBX

d-EXTO

## LOAD

d-REBAR

d-ROCKBOLT

d-CABLE

U-CELL

## OTHERS

d-Tilt

FillPoint

PullTest Unit

Moisture Content

One Instrument = One Data String

One Data String = ID + Temperature + 8 readings

# YieldPoint Data Management



## MANUAL READING

Manual Readout

d-READER

## DATA LOGGING

Data Loggers

d1LOGGER

d4LOGGER

## REMOTE ACCESS

Wireless Mesh Networks

d-MESH

Sensors Nodes, Gateways

# YIELDPOINT READOUT UNIT



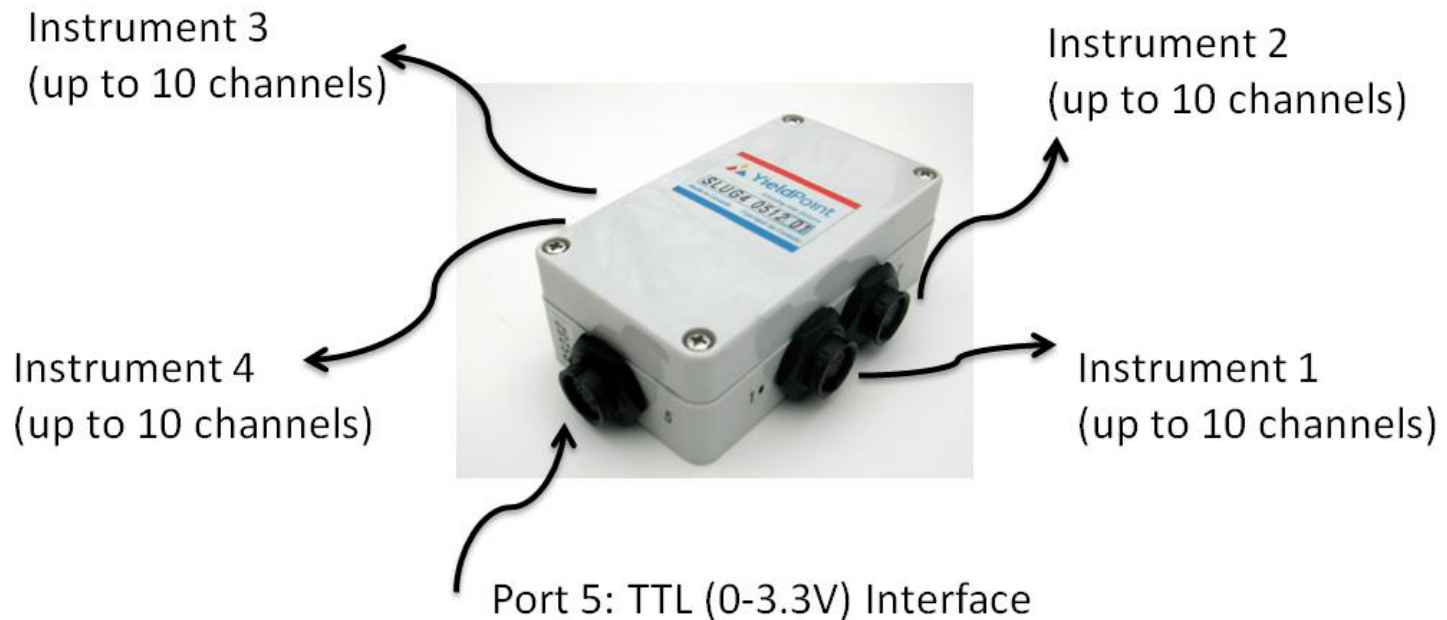
The readout unit dREADER provides instant readings of the entire data string coming from any YieldPoint instrument and without any configuration of any kind, not even the need to press on a button.

The LCD Display scrolls through the following:



DATE	TIME	ID	TEMP°C	CHANNELS 1, 2,3, 4, 5, 6
2013/11/12	21:04:45	1307-3171004	+ 13.6,	22.99mm 20.56mm 20.41mm 18.78mm 17.67mm 15.96mm

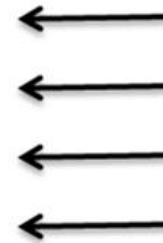
# YIELDPOINT DATA LOGGER



# YIELDPOINT TELEMETRY UNIT



Mesh radio (900MHz)



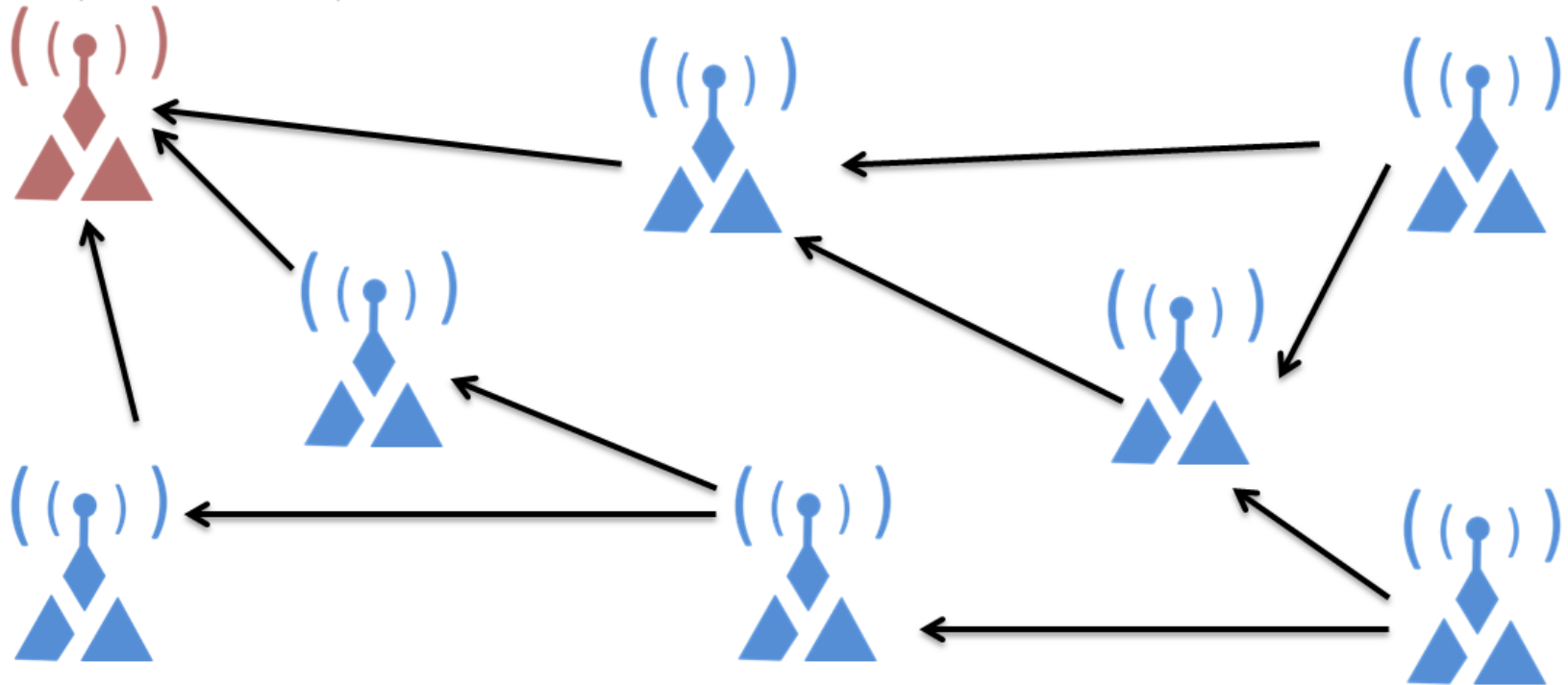
4 Instruments  
(40 data Channels)

1 Radio Node + 1 Logger + 4 Instruments = 1 Telemetry Unit

# YIELDPOINT TELEMETRY NETWORK



COORD (TTL Interface)

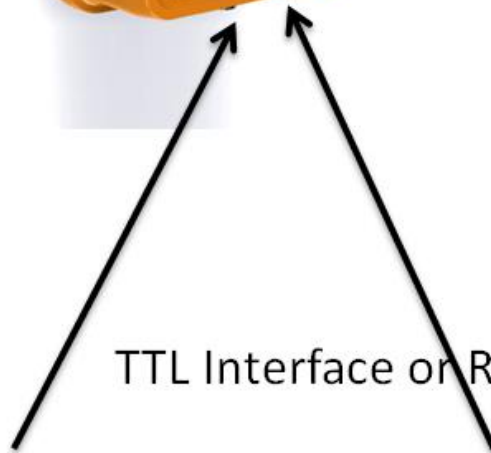


Multiple Radio Nodes = 1 Telemetry Mesh Network including 1 Coordinator

# CONNECTIONS TO A WIFI/ETHERNET GATEWAY



# Option 1: 2 DATA LOGGERS TO GATEWAY



TTL Interface or RS485 (needs modification)

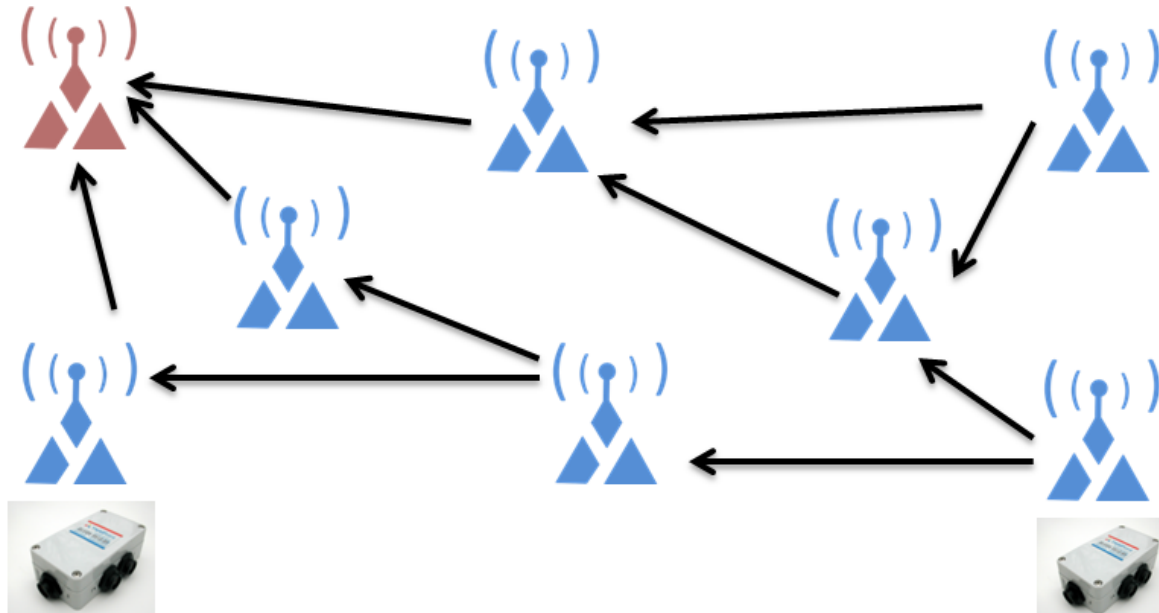


# Option 2: MESH NETWORK TO GATEWAY

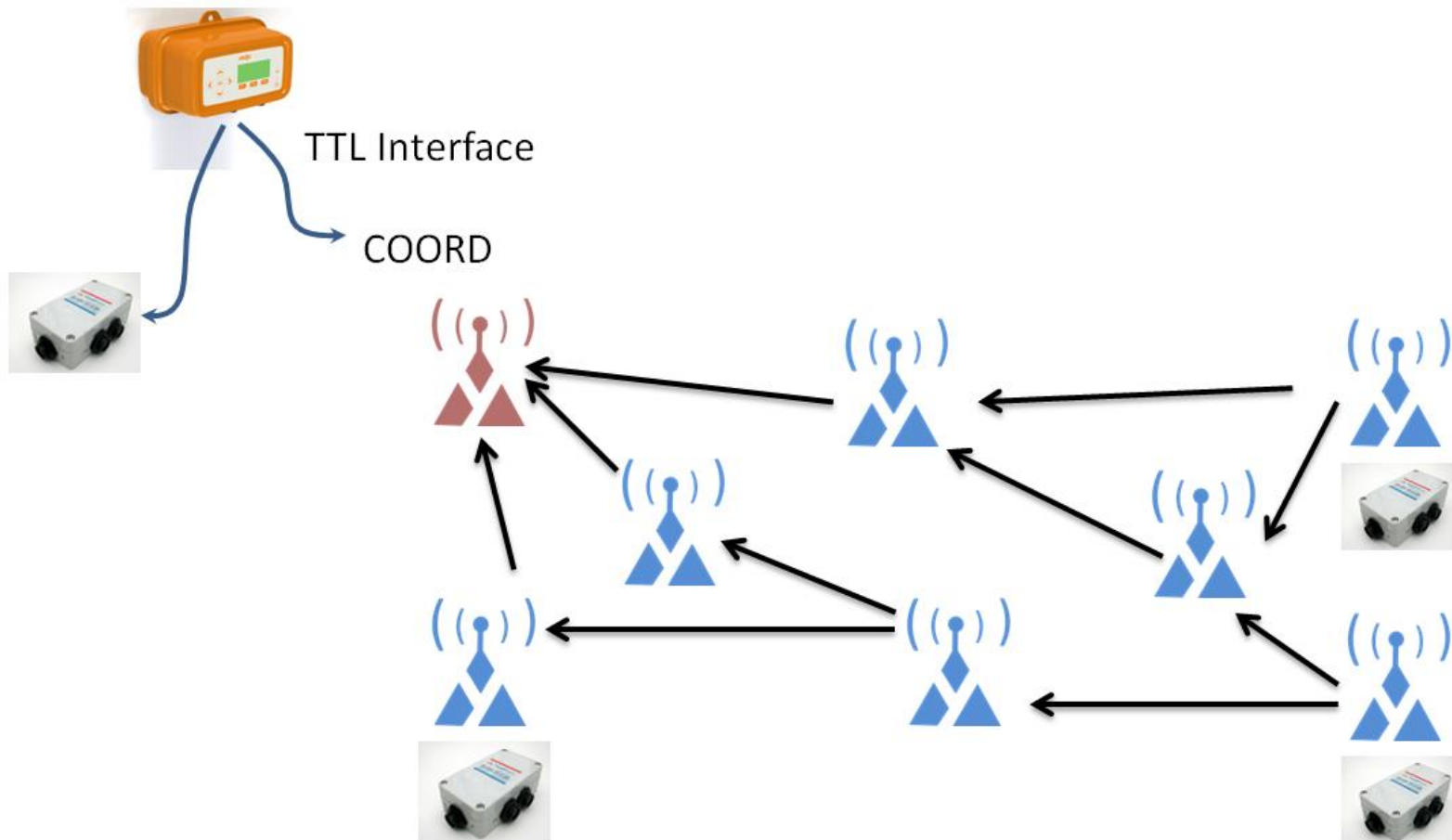


TTL Interface

COORD NODE



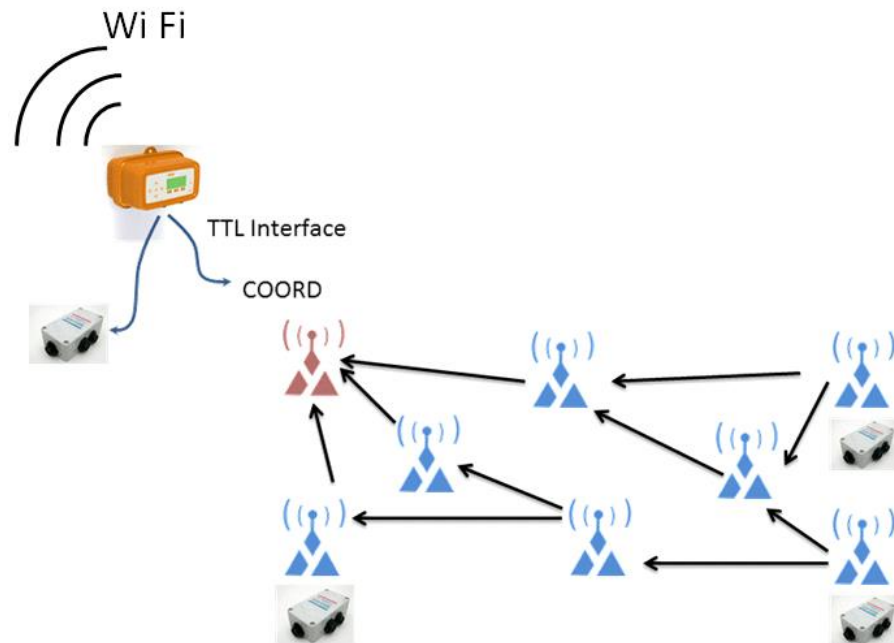
# Option 3: MESH NETWORK + LOGGER TO GATEWAY



# COMPLETE CLOUD SOLUTION



Transparent: WiFi, Ethernet, Fiber



# dMESH TELEMETRY IN BLASTING ZONES



Radio telemetry and logging components can be placed in protective steel enclosures in blasting areas. It has been proven that radio communications will continue to be effective and precious data never obtained before can be collected that will show the impact of blasts on the rock stability.



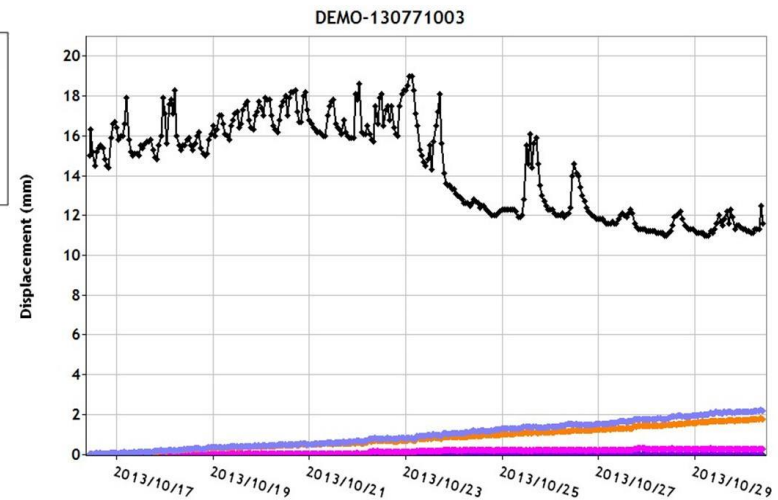
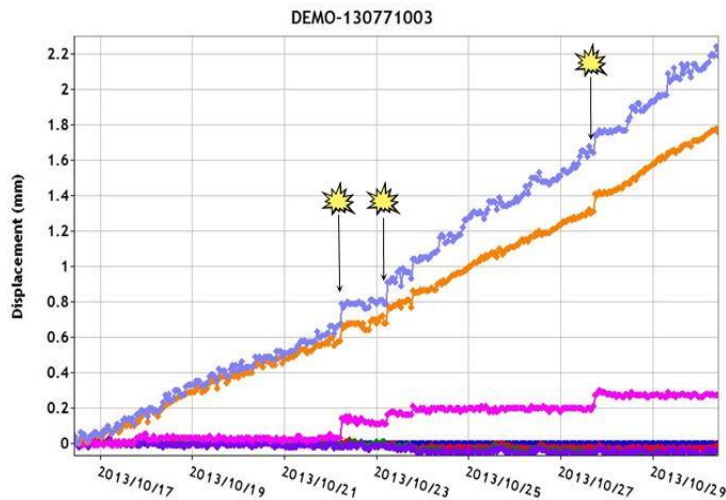
# FORMAT OF d6EXTO EXTENSOMETER DATA FILES



DATE	TIME	INSTRUMENT ID	TEMP°c	CHANNELS 1, 2,3, 4, 5, 6
2013/11/12	21:04:45	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.78, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/12	22:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.78, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/12	23:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.78, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	00:00:13	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	01:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	02:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.78, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	03:00:13	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	04:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	05:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	06:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.97,	
2013/11/13	07:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	08:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.96,	
2013/11/13	09:00:14	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.97,	
2013/11/13	10:00:13	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 22.99, 20.56, 20.41, 18.79, 17.67, 15.97,	
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2013/11/13	15:00:13	1307-31,71,004,+	13.6, 23.01, 20.58, 20.43, 18.79, 17.68, 15.97,	

Data is presented from the readout unit, the data loggers and the dMESH telemetry in a very safe, clear format. Date and time stamped, it associates an instrument ID to the temperature reading and the channels of displacement for each anchor point. This data can be exported to Excel for further processing and graphing and presented in reports.

# Graphing using Minescope™



Very clear graphical data using Minescope software gives the ability to immediately analyze and report on the information contained in the data. Blasting events can be identified. Data can be viewed relative to time and relative to depth in the borehole.