



Press release

Nexans wins major contract to supply specialized POWERMINE® cables for new copper mine in Peru

More than 1,200 km of power, control and instrumentation cables will ensure the optimum safety, reliability and efficiency of surface mining equipment at the Mount Toromocho open-cast copper mine

Paris, December 6, 2011 – Nexans, a worldwide leading expert in the cable industry, has been awarded a major contract to supply power, control and instrumentation cables from its specialized POWERMINE® range for CHINALCO's new Mount Toromocho open-cast copper mine in Peru. In cooperation with Anixter USA, its distribution partner for this project, Nexans is providing more than 1,200 km of cables to the Aker/Jacobs Engineering turnkey EPC (Engineering Procurement and Construction) contractor for the mine, which is scheduled to begin production in 2012.

Nexans has developed its comprehensive POWERMINE® range of customized cable solutions to ensure optimum safety, reliability and efficiency for mining operations. At Toromocho, Nexans cables will power surface mine equipment such as conveyor belts, lighting, power for various buildings, crusher machines, a maintenance concentrator, and other surface operations.

For this contract, the Nexans facility in Canada is supplying 1,000 km of power, control and instrumentation cables of the type THNN, XHHW, Ultra-VN, Ultrex-XL and Firex. These cables comply with USA Type National Electric Code (NEC) specifications. Nexans Chile is supplying 200 km of 5 kV and 15 kV medium-voltage (MV) flexible rubber jacketed power cables.

"This contract has been a great success and enables Nexans to secure a stronger foothold in the very active South American mining market. The key to our success in the face of stiff competition was the excellent cooperation with Anixter, so that together we demonstrated our ability to provide the EPC with a complete, high quality, cost-effective solution that met all their needs for both the fixed and mobile cable requirements," said Gilbert Guerrero, Regional Sales Manager, Cross-Sales, Nexans North America. *"A further advantage was the capability delivered by the Nexans teams based in Chile, since this project called for special packaging methods in order to ensure the secure and safe delivery of cables to a very remote site in good condition and ready to be installed and energized."*

Delivery of Nexans cables to the Toromocho mine project began in August 2011 and will be completed by the end of the year.

The Mount Toromucho mine

This mine is being developed by the Aluminium Corporation of China (CHINALCO) in a remote location, 130 km from Lima, the capital of Peru, at an elevation of 4,600 metres. The mine is estimated to have recoverable reserves of 5.7 million tonnes of copper, 148,000 tonnes of molybdenum and 188 million ounces of silver, giving a life of over 25 years at an average production rate of 210,000 tonnes copper annually.

About Nexans

With energy as the basis of its development, Nexans, worldwide leading expert in the cable industry, offers an extensive range of cables and cabling systems. The Group is a global player in the infrastructure, industry, building and Local Area Network markets. Nexans addresses a series of market segments: from energy, transport and telecom networks to shipbuilding, oil and gas, nuclear power, automotives, electronics, aeronautics, material handling and automation. Nexans is a responsible industrial company that regards sustainable development as integral to its global and operational strategy. Continuous innovation in products, solutions and services, employee development and engagement, and the introduction of safe industrial processes with limited environmental impact are among the key initiatives that place Nexans at the core of a sustainable future. With an industrial presence in 40 countries and commercial activities worldwide, Nexans employs 23,700 people and had sales in 2010 of more than 6 billion euros. Nexans is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, compartment A. For more information, please consult www.nexans.com or <http://www.nexans.mobi>

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