Differential GPS Technology



DYNO NOBEL'S WORLD RECORD BREAKING ELECTRONIC INITIATION SYSTEM JUST GOT BETTER



How does the DGPS system work?



Tagger and the Commander **Reference Beacon**

Commander Reference Beacon connected to a DGPS Antenna which is accurately positioned at a known surveyed **GPS** location

High Accuracy DGPS (Differential Global Positioning System)

The DGPS is a high accuracy (sub one meter), new addition to DigiShot Plus.4G's CE4 Commander blasting system. This market leading electronic initiation system has been further enhanced with the DGPS technology to accurately detect blasthole positions.

High accuracy Differential GPS revolutionises the deployment and tagging of 4G detonators for surface mining. Potential human error from incorrect blasthole identification or incorrect delay assignment is practically eliminated.

This new feature also enables integration for autonomous detonator tagging and/ or blasthole logging.

Features

- Using the "Plan Mode" the CE4-Tagger automatically detects the blasthole location using the GPS co-ordinate from ViewShot 3D and automatically assigns the correct delay to the detonator as per the blast design.
- The tagging process does not need to follow a specific tagging path.
- When drill rigs are not equipped with GPS logging, the DGPS Tagger can be used to accurately log the blasthole positions.

Benefits

The CE4 Commander DGPS system is a ground-breaking technology advancement which:

- Eliminates potential human error by semi-automnomous tagging of blastholes, essential to improve blast outcomes.
- Ensure accurate tagging of blastholes to improve blast outcomes.
- Easy, reliable and fast deployment to speed up the blasting process.
- Allows for future fully autonomous (robotic) deployment & tagging.

Dyno Nobel continues to strive towards excellence in electronic initiation. As a world leader in our field, we aim to deliver world-class safety, the latest technology and consistent quality; resulting in improved loading and fragmentation, to ensure mining becomes more sustainable today and into the future.

What is the Difference Between Regular GPS and Differential GPS (DGPS)?

Normal GPS provides a position of an object on earth. It uses signals generated by satellites revolving around the earth.

It uses standalone receivers where the location is directly calculated but is also prone to satellite orbit, multi-path and clock errors. As a result, GPS can only offer accuracy of 10 - 15 meters. Therefore, normal GPS accuracy is not suitable for blasthole positioning.

This is why Dyno Nobel has developed a user-friendly Differential-GPS (DGPS) system which is fully integrated with the CE4 Tagger and Commander system. The system provides sub one-meter accuracy for accurate blast hole tagging/logging.

DGPS - Is a vast improvement to GPS. It reduces or eliminates signal degradation, resulting in improved accuracy.



The accuracy in DGPS is achieved by using a reference receiver (Commander) at a known (surveyed location) position that broadcast correction data to one or more rovers (Taggers). The rovers then adjust their 'perception' of where they are using the correction data from the reference station.

ViewShot 3D®

The ViewShot 3D blast software facilitates the planning, design and simulation of a blast through a flexible and feature-rich user interface.

With using DGPS in "plan mode", drill rig blast hole GPS coordinates is transferred to ViewShot 3D to do the final blast design timing sequence. The blast plan & timing sequence is then downloaded onto the DGPS tagger ready for tagging on the bench in "Plan Mode".

Alternatively, if drill rigs are not equipped with GPS accurate blasthole coordinates can now be logged by the DGPS tagger on the bench and then be transferred to the ViewShot 3D to provide for an accurate layout of the blast hole positions used in the blast design.

Future application of this technology*

- Stand alone module enabling DGPS capability on other equipment, MPU's etc.
- Common detonator list updated in real-time as multiple users or machines tag detonators.
- Centralised user interface real time graphical update on deployment process.



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BLAST DESIGN

VIA USB



ON-BENCH TAGGING ASSIGNING TIME DELAY TO DETONATOR

Differential GPS Technology combined with digishot plus.4G BASE

COMMANDER 4

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3000 m LINE OF SIGHT

REPEATER

OPTIONAL ONLY IF LINE OF SIGHT **IS NOT POSSIBLE**

(('****')) VIA RF



DGPS REFERENCE BEACON

DGPS Tagger	
Temperature	-30 °C to +60 °C -22 °F to +140 °F
Battery	Internal 3.7 V Lithium Polymer
Battery Life	Approximately 8 hours at 25 °C (77 °F)
Weight and Dimensions	800 g / 1.76 lbs; 245 mm (L), 89 mm (W), 59 mm (H)
Software Upgrade	Via the USB connector in the CE4 Tagger, and a flash drive
Water and Dust Resistance	Conforms to IP57 design
Display	128 pixels x 128 pixels / 44.78 mm x 44.78 mm / 1.76 in x 1.76 in

DGPS Commander Reference Beacon	
Temperature	-30 °C to +60 °C -22 °F to +140 °F
Battery	Internal 3.7 V Lithium Polymer
Battery Life	Approximately 8 hours at 25 °C (77 °F)
Weight and Dimensions	2.1 kg / 4.6 lbs
Software Upgrade	Via a PC and a standard USB cable
Water and Dust Resistance	IP57
Display	200 x 96 pixels / 45.80 mm x 21.98 mm / 1.803 in x 0.866 in

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