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Safety in the Oil&Gas Industry, Mines and Tunnels increased significantly by new technology and sales partnership.

The increasing demand for safety solutions at harsh environmental work places as oil rigs, mines and tunnels has resulted in a partnership between IDENTEC SOLUTIONS from Austria and ZONITH from Denmark. The two companies each provides advanced access, safety and alarm handling solutions. By combining the technologies of the two companies it is not just possible to control access to the harsh environmental work places but also ensure a much faster and accurate reaction to any emergency situation occurring. The combined solution has with success already been deployed at a number of large construction projects in the Swedish capital Stockholm.

Identec Solutions ensures accurate information about Staff in the Working Area

It is of evident importance and also a legal requirement in many countries that the owner of a mine, tunnel or oil & gas installation at any time knows who is present inside the facility. For this purpose Identec Solutions supplies their active RFID (Radio Frequency ID) solutions to the industry where all employees wear a unique identification RFID tag. When the employee enters or exits the facility it is automatically registered. The Identec Solutions RFID system is especially designed for harsh environmental usage and can also be used in areas with explosion risks. The active RFID reading even detects the individual worker if a bus with many workers passes the entrance. Illegal entrance to the facility is also detected and an alarm can be raised to stop the intruder.

Zonith Software Ensures Fast Reaction to Alarms

As there are legal requirements for keeping track of workers inside dangerous work places there are also requirements for safe and reliable alarm communication and reaction to alarms. Zonith's applications for automated alarm control and dispatch further enhances the safety at the facility

by providing fast alarm communication to the staff. If for instance a fire alarm is raised Zonith's solution will immediately notify workers in the area and automatically start the evacuation process. At the same time security staff is kept instantly informed about the status of the evacuation via text messages on their radios.

Reducing Danger to Staff and Damages to Equipment and Constructions

A tight integration between Identec Solutions RFID WATCHER solution and Zonith's Alarm Control System ensures that the security staff at any time knows if any workers have remained in the facility. All information is made instantly available on the radios of the security staff. As the security staff has access to this kind of information it increases the safety significantly and reduces danger to people and damages to equipment and construction.



Norra Länken Tunnel Construction Site in Stockholm uses the Combined Solution

The first customer to take the combined solution into use is the Norre Länken – an underground car tunnel project in the Northern part of Stockholm. Here the RFID system keeps track of workers being in the tunnels. All communication in and out of the tunnels as well as between the staff is done via TETRA wireless radio communication. In case of an emergency situation all workers are notified and at the same time emergency information and status of employees remaining in the tunnel is instantly communicated to security staff allowing them to take appropriate actions.

Partnership Agreement Signed

Identec Solutions and Zonith have signed a partnership agreement covering technology integration as well as a joint market approach. About the agreement CEO and co-owner of

Zonith, Kristian Hartvig Stiesmark says "We are very happy about our partnership with Identec Solutions. We have for the last couple of years together delivered solutions that significantly increase the safety during constructions in harsh areas and found that our two companies together had a unique solution. In the light of our successful deliveries the partnership agreement further cements our intentions to deliver many more of these solutions".

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About ZONITH A/S

From Zonith's offices in Copenhagen and Cambridge industrial as well as public organisation customers are provided with software applications that ensures alarms being dispatched automatically to relevant staff. Zonith is specialize in alarm handling and notification solutions, solving tasks at all levels of complexity, ranging from simple notification solutions to large alarm handling systems. Zonith excel in emergency communication via industry leading medias like Motorola MotoTrbo, TETRA, GSM and MPT trunked radio.

Zonith A/S is founded in 2000 by a group of Nokia engineers and has since the founding delivered automatic alarm handling and dispatch solution to +400 companies within the oil&gas industry, power plants, industries and public organisations throughout the globe.

About IDEN TEC SOLUTIONS

IDEN TEC SOLUTIONS is the global leader in active wireless tracking solutions. A commitment to developing ground-breaking, industry-specific tracking solutions featuring proprietary patented technology has placed IDEN TEC SOLUTIONS at the international forefront as a technology provider for innovation and as a complete solution provider

in the automotive & logistics, construction, oil, gas and mining industries. Utilized by the world's leading organizations and system integrators, IDEN TEC SOLUTIONS' award-winning technology portfolio offers robust, highly effective tracking solutions that manage critical process and optimize supply chain flow. Privately held since 1999, IDEN TEC SOLUTIONS has provided asset management solutions and support to a variety of organizations, including an impressive roster of Fortune 500 clients such as Siemens, Bechtel, Volkswagen, Audi, Deutsche Post and General Electric.