

Luna Wins Major Contract for Levee Monitoring

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Fiber optic sensing used to monitor for early warning signs of levee failure

ROANOKE, Va.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Dec. 21, 2022-- Luna Innovations (NASDAQ: LUNA), a global leader in advanced fiber optic-based technology, was recently awarded a contract with PT Freeport Indonesia, an affiliate of Freeport-McMoRan, and one of the world's leading gold and copper mining companies, to provide an early-warning monitoring system for the West and East levees between the Otomona and Aikwa rivers in West Papua, Indonesia.

"Our fiber sensing solutions are helping Freeport manage and mitigate risks by providing decision-ready information across very long linear assets," said Scott Graeff, President and CEO of Luna. "The information we are able to deliver not only provides current conditions but also dynamic changes that have or are occurring, resulting in tremendous insight into the health of Freeport's levees and an overall increase in safety. Infrastructure monitoring applications like this are growing rapidly around the world, and Luna is well positioned to add significant value to customers that need robust, cost effective twenty-four seven monitoring of critical assets."

Tailings are the residual moisture and sand produced in the separation of valuable minerals from ore extracted during mining operations. This residue is transported to a designated deposition area, controlled by levees on the east and west sides along those rivers.

The monitoring of the two levees will be done using a fiber optic-based distributed sensing system. A range of up to 50km on both levees will be monitored for early warning signs of potential issues that could lead to a failure of the levee structure. The system can instantly identify cable breaks and temperature "hot spots" along the length of the fiber. The continuous monitoring of levees for changing conditions allows PT Freeport Indonesia the ability to run targeted inspections to determine if and what remedial action is necessary to prevent major failures.

In addition to levee monitoring, Luna's distributed sensing technology has been used by PT Freeport Indonesia to monitor the slurry pipelines used in their mining operations since 2014.

About Luna

Luna Innovations Incorporated (www.lunainc.com) is a leader in optical technology, providing unique capabilities in high-performance, fiber opticbased, test products for the telecommunications industry and distributed fiber optic-based sensing for a multitude of industries. Luna's business model is designed to accelerate the process of bringing new and innovative technologies to market.

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