

The challenges facing mines and miners are numerous. Many mines operate in remote locations and under extreme climatic conditions. Equipment must fulfill high reliability criteria despite the rugged and harsh circumstances under which it operates. Adverse affects on communities and the environment must be minimized. Mining companies must keep track of their data and optimize processes to minimize waste and maximize productivity. Read this edition of *ABB Review* to learn how ABB is supporting mining corporations in fulfilling these demands.

The cover picture of this issue of *ABB Review* depicts the Esperanza copper mine in Chile. The photograph on the present page (and continued on page 5) shows Gulf Industrial Investment Co.'s iron ore pelletizing plant in Bahrain.



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