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## **MINESIGHT ON THE PODIUM AT SME-SEATTLE**

Mintec's MineSight software will be front and center of SME-Seattle, Feb. 19-22.

Thousands of industry professionals attend the annual tradeshow, organized by the Society for Mining Metallurgy and Exploration (SME).

This year, Mintec will present a talk at SME about MineSight's pivotal role in mine planning. Senior MineSight specialist, Ernesto Vivas, will discuss:

**"Schedule optimizing for a typical hardrock open pit mine".**

Vivas' presentation will focus on La Caridad, a copper and molybdenum mine in Sonora, Mexico. This porphyry copper deposit is one of Mexico's largest mines, extracting 90,000 tons of ore per day. Vivas's workshop will examine how MineSight Schedule Optimizer (MSSO) generates complex schedules honouring quantities and qualities requirements while accounting for detailed haul profiles.



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The case study will analyze the steps required to create a practical monthly schedule with MSSO for La Caridad. It will also discuss the scheduling considerations, data preparation, program set-up and output examination.

MSSO is one of several MineSight products exploiting 64-bit technology. Recent upgrades have included a seamless integration with MineSight Haulage.

Vivas is from Caracas, Venezuela, and graduated from the University of Arizona in 2000 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mining Engineering. The 35-year-old scheduling expert works from Mintec's Tucson, Arizona headquarters and travels the world to help mine planners with long-range and short-range planning.

### **About SME**

The Society for Mining Metallurgy and Exploration has more than 12,000 members and is an international society of professionals in the minerals industry. To learn more about 2012 SME Annual Meeting and Exhibit, click [here](#).

### **About Mintec**

Mintec, Inc. is a specialized software developer for the mining industry. Established in 1970 to improve operational excellence across complex mining operations, Mintec is headquartered in Tucson, Arizona, with offices worldwide. MineSight, is the company's comprehensive, scalable, and fully integrated software solution, featuring best in class applications for exploration, modeling, design, scheduling, and production. Fully supported by a global network of service and technical experts, MineSight is designed by mining professionals for mining professionals to deliver increased productivity at every stage of a mine's life.

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