## Persistent wide-area monitoring of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub>









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### Intensity-Modulated Continuous Wave Technique

The intensity-modulated continuous wave (IMCW) lidar technique

- Leverages highly reliable fiber telecom lasers in a unique way
- Developed for a NASA Mission for monitoring CO<sub>2</sub>



Simultaneous transmission and reception of multiple wavelengths allows for full cancelation of multiplicative noise in the ratio, leading to increased measurement precision and less susceptibility to scintillation.



### The Greenhouse gas Laser Imaging Tomography Experimentence – GreenLITE™





Retroreflector network

System consists of laser transceivers, retroreflectors, and scanning hardware

Transceivers cycle through each retroreflector, acquiring a differential absorption measurement over each path, or "chord"

Absorption measurements saved to the Cloud and converted to total column concentration using local temperature, pressure, and water vapor mixing ratio

Using sparse tomography algorithms, individual chord measurements are used to estimate near real-time 2-D gas concentration maps over the area of interest

Estimates emission/flux can be derived from successive maps using a box model approach in conjunction with knowledge of wind speed & direction and the measurement geometry



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GreenLITE<sup>™</sup> offers direct measurement coverage up to 25 km<sup>2</sup> versus standard point sensors or short-range stand-off detection methods



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#### 2-D concentration maps at 5 min. intervals during a 40 min. controlled release test

#### GreenLITE<sup>™</sup> Technology

### CH<sub>4</sub> & CO<sub>2</sub> Real-Time Monitoring Solution

- Data Collected every 2-10 sec
- 2-D maps every 2-10 min
- Remote, autonomous operation
- Low maintenance
- Simple web-based user interface
- Automated real-time notifications/warnings
- Summary reports

#### **Key Technology Differentiators**

- Sensitivity (<15 ppb CH<sub>4</sub>; <1ppm CO<sub>2</sub>),
- Long-range measurements (5 km x 5 km)
- Near real-time 2-D mapping
- Robust all-fiber optic implementation
- End-to-end sensor to products
- Environmental sensitivity with dynamic range for leak detection





### **Example Applications**

#### **Emissions for large diffuse sources**





Spatiotemporal monitoring for complex sources (mines, storage, production, well fields, offshore, etc.)







signal

background

4000

2000

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Long- or short-term autonomous real-time monitoring capabilities for  $CH_4$  and  $CO_2$ , expandable to other species

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