



Store Norske Spitsbergen Grubekompani

FACTS: Country:.....Norway (Svalbard)
Dim:..... 2 ½" (76mm) to 10" (254mm)
Media:.....Water and air

The Store Norske consortium is the most northern coal producer in the world, with two operational mines based on Spitsbergen, Svalbard. The entire field is estimated to contain 72.5 million tonnes of coal.

Spitsbergen lies far within the arctic circle, the Sun is continually above the horizon from late April to late August. From 26 October to 15 February the Sun is always below the horizon, and from 12 November to the end of January there is civil polar night, during this time artificial light must be used at all times.

Svalbard covers an area of approximately 63,000 km², and around 60% of this area is protected nature. There is relatively little sign of long-term industrial enterprise on the archipelago, the coal mining use only a very limited area.

During the years Alvenius have delivered more than 20 000 m of pipes to the mines in Spitsbergen. It is the most northern pipe system supplied by Alvenius, under toughest ambient conditions with outer temperatures below -40°C.

