Company Presentation

Salt Partners move to establish a working group in Prague

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February 2009: Flight over Australian Saltfields



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Shark Bay Salt Stockpiles



At Shark Bay, the stockpiles are 200m long and 60m wide. Their design capacity is 250'000 t. They were less than half full.

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Onslow Brine Pond No. 1



Onslow brine pond one week after it was hit by cyclone Dominic. Dykes were broken through at three locations. Brine was flowing out, to the sea. It took many months to restore full production.

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Onslow Salt Stockpile



Onslow stockpile was designed for 500'000 t of salt. On 2.2.2009, there was virtually no salt left. The picture shows the last salt shipment from Onslow in February 2009.

Conclusion

Insufficient salt on stockpiles in Australia, together with signs of limited salt availability elsewhere, indicates that the present high quality solar salt production capacity is insufficient. The shortage is likely to accentuate when the present economic slowdown comes to an end and the high growth rates in the Asia-Pacific region are re-established.

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Salt Production World-wide

Salt type	World production
Solar salt	100,000,000 t/y
Rock salt	80,000,000 t/y
Brines	80,000,000 t/y
Total	260,000,000 t/y

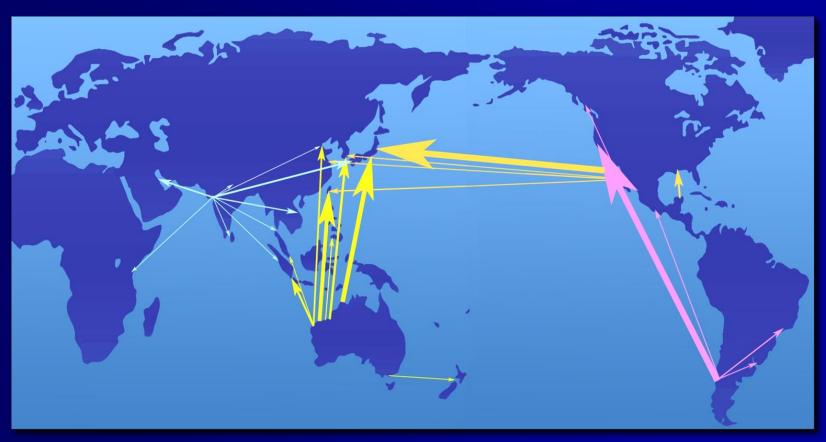
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Salt Consumption World-wide

Salt user	Salt consumption
Chemical industry	155,000,000 t/y
Food	45,000,000 t/y
De-icing	30,000,000 t/y
Other	30,000,000 t/y
Total	260,000,000 t/y

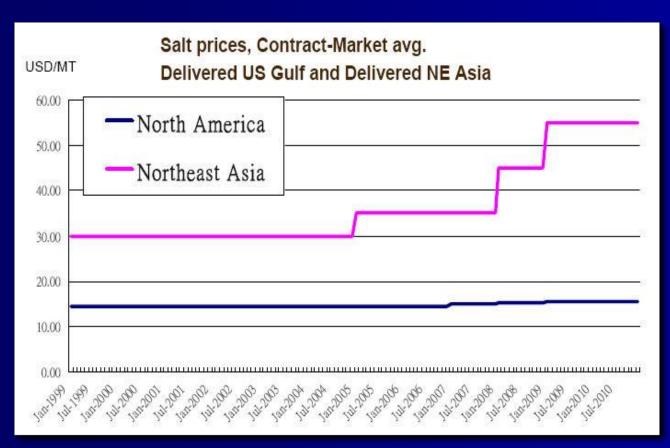
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Bulk Salt Trade in Asia-Pacific



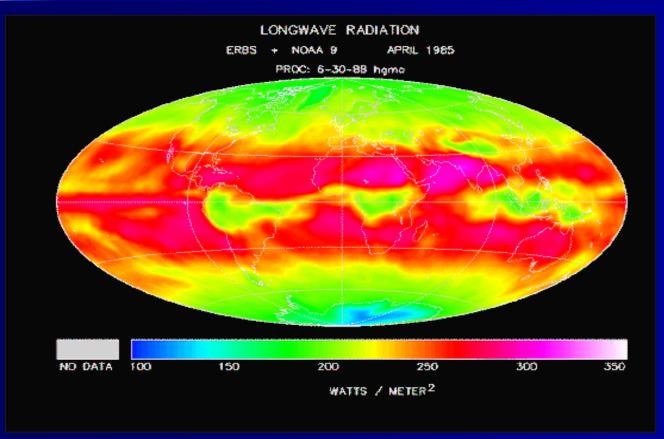
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Salt Prices in US Gulf and North East Asia



In the four years between 2005 and 2009, salt prices delivered in North East Asia-Pacific region have risen by USD 25 per ton, equal to 83%, or equal to 16% per annum.

Solar Energy on the Planet Earth



Locations with highest rates of evaporation, suitable for solar salt production:

Caribbean Sea
North Africa
South Africa
Middle East
Western India
Western Australia

In China, the Gulf of Bohai receives only half the solar energy available at the most suitable locations.

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Salt Partners Prospect New Solar Saltfields



Salt Partners assist their clients to prospect sites where new solar saltfields could be established.

Walvis Bay (Namibia) harvesting system



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Walvis Bay salt harvesting system was supplied by ROV Durrant Engineering Pvt. Ltd., South Africa, Harvester moves on Caterpillar trucks both on the salt and on the crystalliser floor. Salt is loaded directly to the trailers.

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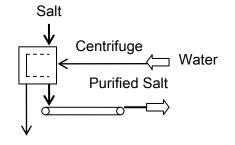
Centrifuge separates

HYDROSAL Process

Conventional washing with water in the centrifuge

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salt and brine



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HYDROSAL Process

Dissolve salt fines in water and use this pure brine to remove impurities from salt in the hydroextractor

Salt Hydroextractor Centrifuge **Purified Salt** Water Filtrate Vessel Filtrate Pump

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HYDROSAL Process

Hydraulically transport salt to the hydroextractor and return the transport brine to the elutriator

Hydroextractor Salt Centrifuge **Purified Salt** Water Filtrate Vessel Slurry Pump Filtrate Pump

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HYDROSAL Process

Circulate impure brine to control hydroclassification and elutriation efficiency

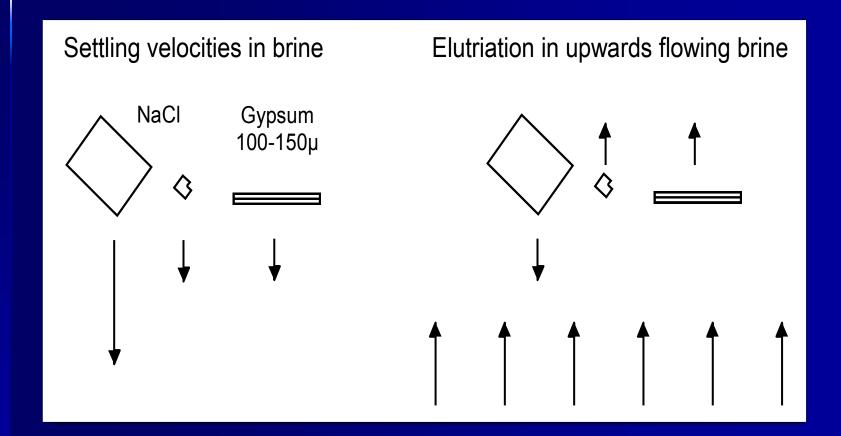
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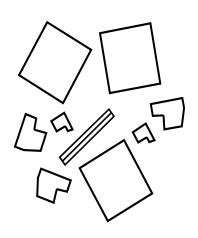
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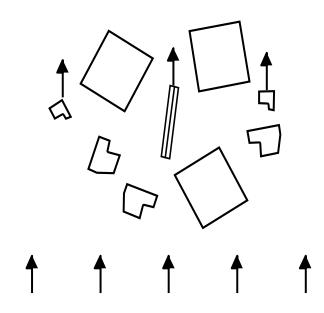
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Hydroclassification

Salt bed with buried impurities



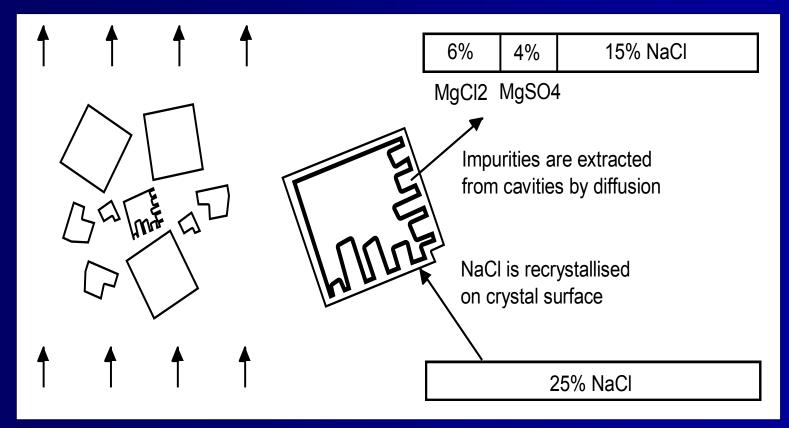
Hydroclassification of impurities in partially fluidised salt bed



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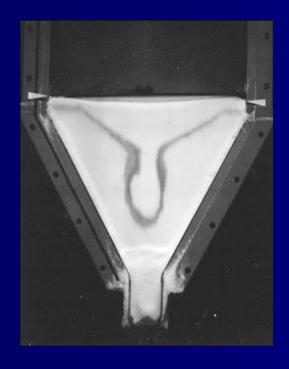
Hydroextraction

Hydroextraction / Displacement crystallisation

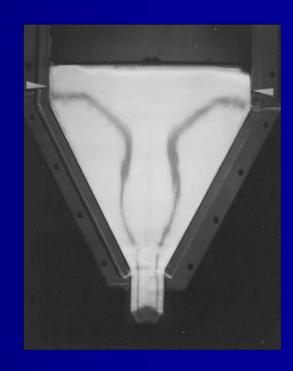


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Hydroextraction does not work in all vessels



In this vessel salt flows out mainly through the centre



In the centre of the vessel rat hole develops

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Hydroextraction works only with plug flow of salt



Picture 1: Injection of black ink into brine flowing upwards through salt flowing downwards in plug flow



Picture 2: Black ink flows upwards with brine in counter-current flow



Picture 3: Second black ink injection. There are no traces of black colour in the salt flowing downwards in plug flow

SALEXPOR 15 t/h solar salt refining plant in Portugal

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Solution mining for natural gas storage, co-generation, brine purification, salt crystallisation and refining plant in Portugal

40 t/h salt upgrading plant in Portugal producing purest industrial salt in Europe

		Performance test
Ca	ppm	0.6
Mg	ppm	0.2
SO4	ppm	53



100 t/h industrial salt upgrading plant in Spain

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Salt Drying on Stockpiles



Drip-dried salt is wet when stockpiled. The brine flows slowly to the ground and out of the stockpile (see bottom left).

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Why not turn your salt into gold?