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# Long Distance Pipeline Transportation of Ore Slurry

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- design, engineering and manufacture of axial-flow, piston and piston diaphragm pumps and hose-diaphragm pumps
- employs 400 people
- 12,000 m<sup>2</sup> manufacturing and 2700 m<sup>2</sup> facility
- turnover Euro 140 million approx
- 90% of the annual turnover is exported worldwide
- worldwide sales and service
- innovative research & development
- ISO 9001 certified





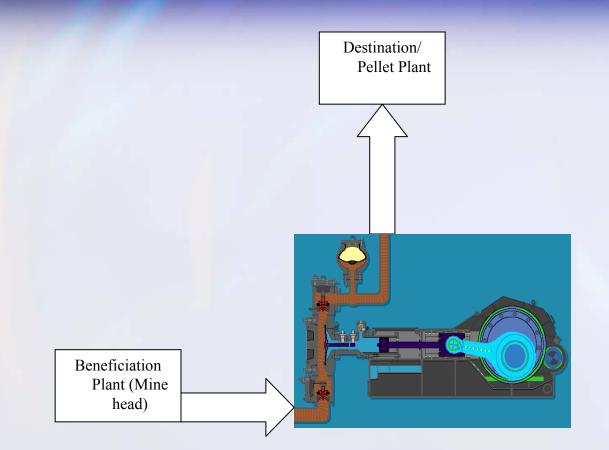
# Pipeline transport

Piston diaphragm pumps: an economic and reliable tool for slurry pipeline



### **Transportation scheme**





### Why slurry pipelines?

### environmental considerations

- no noise
- no dust
- no smells
- invisible

### mineral processing requirements

- crushing and grinding at minesite
- Iength of transportation
  - shorter routes

### terrain conditions

- mountains
- remote area
- weather/climate

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### Economics

Economics of slurry pipeline systems are influenced by:

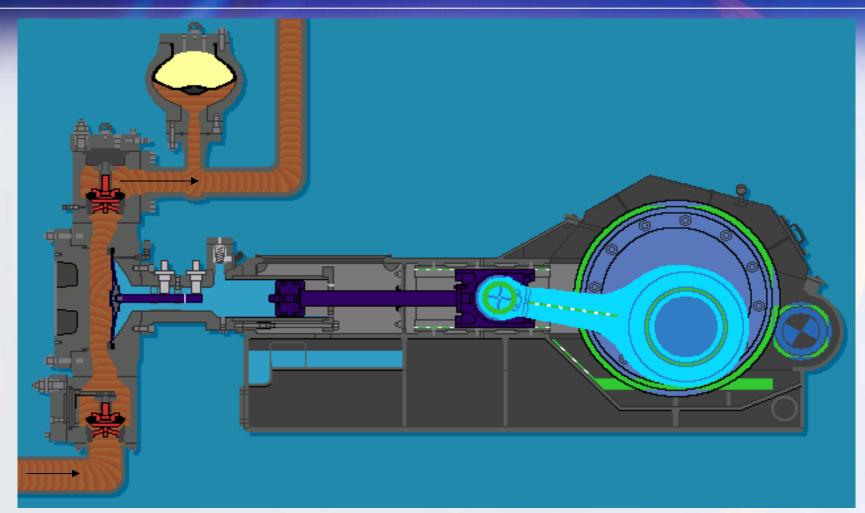
- initial investment costs for hardware and installations
  - Investment intensive items
    - Pipes
    - Pumps
- annual operating costs



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### GEHO Piston diaphragm pump





### **GEHO** product range

### GEHO PUMPS: specialized in high pressure slurry pumping

- abrasive slurries (Miller numbers up to 650)
- slurries ranging from pH 0,5-13
- high density slurries (solids content up to 75+%)
- high pressures (up to 250 bar in operation)
- high temperatures (up to 205°C)



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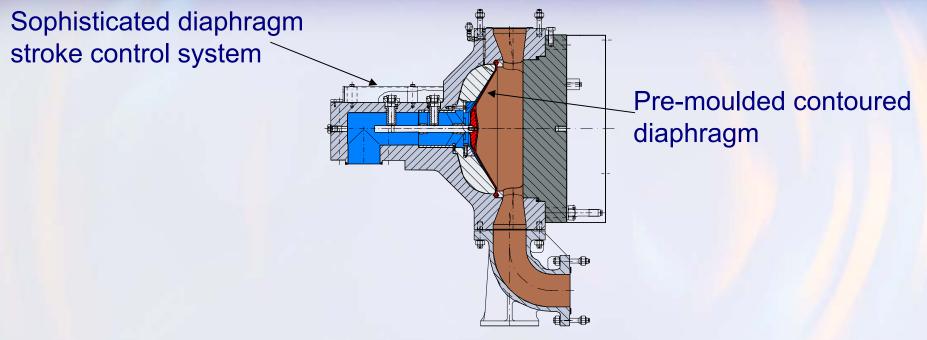
### GEHO Pump Assembly (TZPM 2000)



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### Piston diaphragm pump features

available in duplex double-acting and triplex single-acting

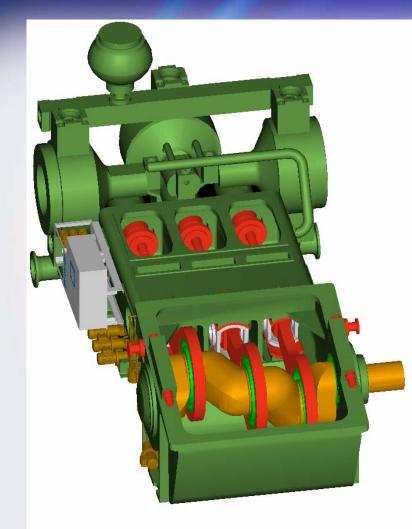


diaphragm separates sensitive pump parts from abrasive slurry
only wear parts: valves





### Cast power end: forged crankshaft



ZPM 900-1700 TZPM 180-2000



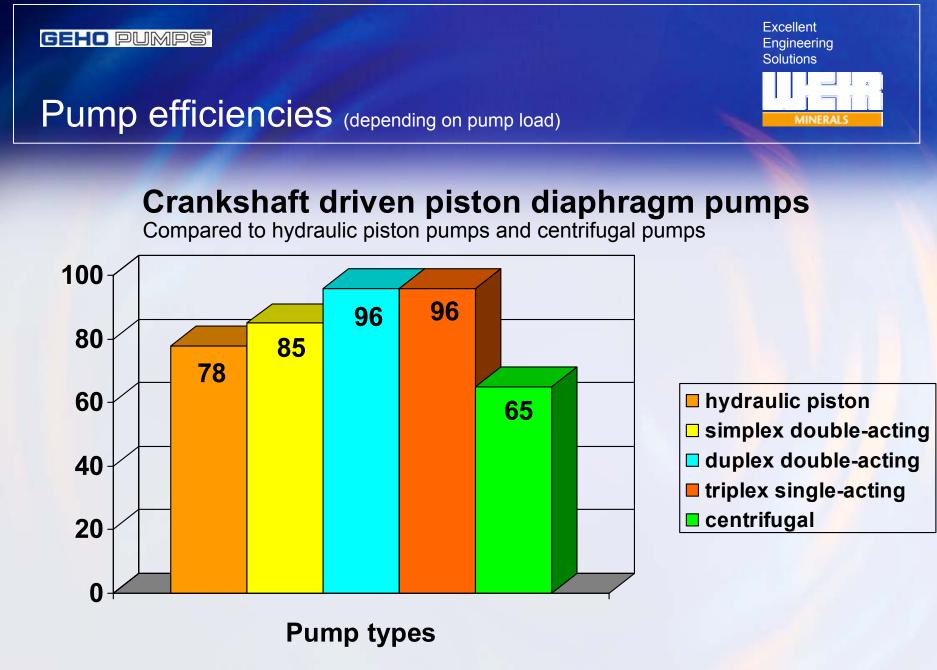
## Advantages GEHO piston diaphragm pump

- Concept of large piston diameters and large stroke lengths lower stroke rates => lower wear
- High availability (98%) => suitable for continuous operation
- Low stroke rates allow bigger valve sizes => lower slurry velocity in valves => low wear => easy to maintain and lower spares requirement
- Very high efficiencies (up to 96%) due to roller bearings and specially designed (low friction) piston seals => savings on power requirement
- Variable operation range (10% 100%)
- Extensive after sales support through local representation world wide

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# Advantages GEHO piston diaphragm pump

- no piston flushing: no slurry dilution
- sophisticated diaphragm control system
- reduced load on diaphragms, using light weight components, special control systems, etc.
- different valve concepts, used for different applications





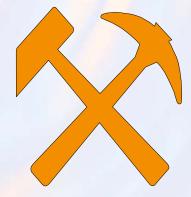
### Conclusions: Piston Diaphragm pumps

- piston diaphragm pumps generally are the most economical pump type for long distance slurry pipelines
- GEHO offers state-of-the-art piston diaphragm pumps with highest reliability and efficiency and lowest operating costs

### Mining industry

- mine desludging
- mine dewatering
- mine backfilling
- hydraulic ore hoisting
- tailings disposal



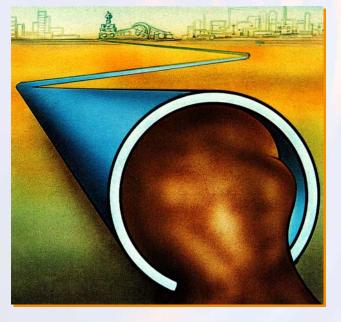


### **Pipeline transportation**

### Ore, minerals and tailings

- lead
- zinc
- phosphate
- Iimestone
- iron ore
- copper
- red mud
- bauxite
- kaolin
- gold
- sand and others





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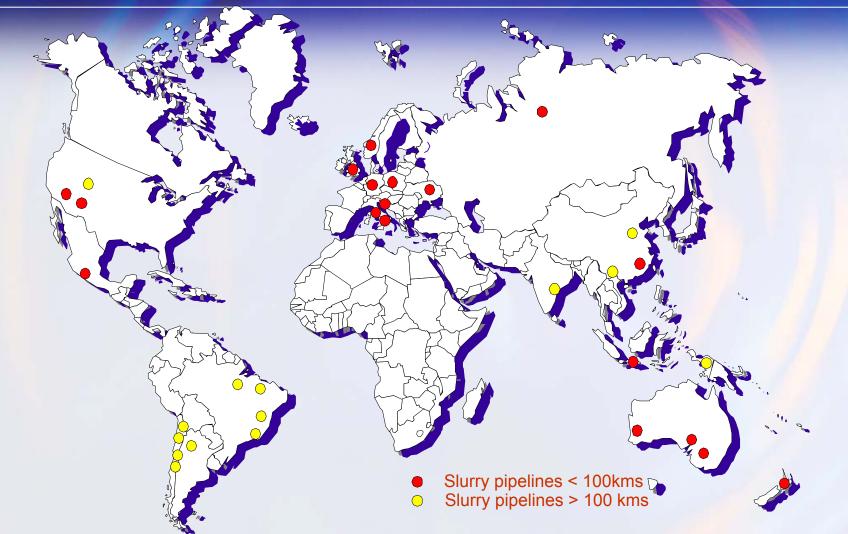
### Typical references long distance pipelines

- MMX, Iron Ore Slurry Pipeline, Brasil, 550 kms
- Da Hong Shan, Iron Ore Slurry Pipeline, China, 171 kms
- Paragominas, Bauxite Slurry Pipeline, Brasil, 244 kms
- Samarco, Iron Ore Slurry Pipeline, Brasil, 396 kms
- Simplot, Phosphate Pipeline, USA, 100 kms
- New Zealand Steel, Ironsand Concentrate Pipeline, New Zealand, 18 km
- Los Pelambres, Copper Concentrate Pipeline, Chile, 120 km
- Minera Alumbrera, Copper Concentrate Pipeline, Argentina, 310 km
- Jianshan, Iron Ore Slurry Pipeline, China, 100 km
- Minera Dona Inés Collahuasi, Copper Concentrate Pipeline, Chile, 203 km
- Freeport, Grasberg Mine, Copper Concentrate Pipeline, Irian Jaya/Indonesia, 120 km
- Batu Hijau, Copper Concentrate Pipeline, Indonesia, 18 km
- Hy-Grade Pellets, Iron Ore Slurry Pipeline, India, 268 km

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# References slurry pipeline transport







### **GEHO EXPERIENCE**

### <u>GEHO's experience – WORLD WIDE</u>

- Over 1000 pumps in operation
- Global presence
- Experience with nearly all major long-distance pipeline transportation application



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# **GEHO EXPERIENCE**

<u>GEHO's experience with Slurry Pipeline Transportation</u> Longest pipeline (550 km) : MMX (Brasil)

Highest Pipeline Pressure (240 bars)

Highest flow (540 m3/hr)

Total no. of Pumps

: Collahuasi (Chile)

- : OEMK (Russia)
- : 130 plus

Total no. long distance of pipeline projects : 36 plus

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### Gains of Pipeline transportation

In conclusion, the gains of Pipeline transportation:

- Logistical problems eliminated
- Environment friendly
- Wastage eliminated
- Pipeline transportation is a economical solution.
- Approximate overall savings while in operation:
  - MMX, Brasil (Iron Ore pipeline)
  - Hygrade Pellets, India (Iron Ore pipeline)
- : 143 mio USD / year
- : 45 mio USD / year





# Thank you!