## Longyear Canada Inc.

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## Equipment/Services

**EXPLORATION** 

Geological Surveying Equipment Services

## Company/Product

The Longyear company has been actively involved in the North American mineral exploration industry for over 100 years. Considered a world leader in surface and underground contract drilling services and equipment, the company is well known for its product lines of diamond core drills, wireline drill rods, and a complete range of diamond bits, drilling tools and pumps.

In 1930, Longyear established a head office and manufacturing plant in North Bay under the incorporated name of Canadian Longyear Limited. The present North Bay manufacturing plant was built in 1946, expanded in 1956 and again in 1970. A contract drilling division was established in 1946 and is presently housed in a modern warehouse/repair facility a short distance from the main plant in North Bay. In 1979, Canadian Longyear amalgamated with Longyear Diamond Products Canada Limited to form Longyear Canada Inc.

The name Longyear is synonymous with technical contributions to the mineral exploration industry. Two major innovations which Longyear introduced to the market are: 1) a complete functional wireline coring system initially introduced in the early 1950's; and 2) a range of impregnated diamond drill bits in 1980. These developments spearheaded a revolutionary industry conversion from conventional drilling methods.

In 1986, Longyear transferred all production capacity from the original US company in Minneapolis to the Canadian plant in North Bay. Longyear Canada is the company's world mining headquarters and provides products and contracting services to the mining industry worldwide. Longyear's international corporate headquarters is located in Salt Lake City, Utah. Other Longyear companies are operating in Australia, Chile, the Federal Republic of Germany, France, Spain, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the Philippines, and the United Kingdom.

A complete network of affiliates, agents and distributors is presently in place throughout the world.

Geographic Marketing Activity <u>Active</u>		Alliances/Contacts Sought
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