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(54) Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DUMPING DREDGED MATERIALS**(57) Abstract**

The invention relates to a method and a device (1) for dumping dredged material and the like on a bottom (11) present under the water surface (3). The dredged materials or the like are delivered under the water surface by means of a conveyor pipeline (9) comprising a portion extending in the direction of the bottom under said water surface. The part (9, 10) of the conveyor pipeline (9) extending under the water surface is at least partly surrounded by a screen (6) which extends to near the bottom (11). The screen is attached to a floating body (2). Means (7) by which the bottom end of the screen (6) is adjustable for height with respect to the floating body (2) are connected to the bottom end of the screen.

