
ADPC inks MoU with Borouge to provide port services at Khalifa Port

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Abu Dhabi Ports Company has signed a MoU with Borouge to provide port services at the planned Khalifa Port and to ensure Borouge's smooth transfer of its port operations from Mina Zayed to Khalifa Port.

The MoU will see that during the design, development and subsequent operation of Khalifa Port, ADPC will ensure that sufficient land, storage facilities, infrastructure and services are made available at Khalifa Port to accommodate Borouge's products and to assure the seamless transition of Borouge's current port operations at Mina Zayed to Khalifa Port.

Borouge currently utilizes Mina Zayed for a throughput capacity of 600,000 tonnes of polyethylene per year and will require the provision of port services for an increase in throughput capacity of approximately 2.1 million tonnes of polyolefin per year by 2010, once Borouge 2 expansion project is completed and to an ultimate throughput of 4.5 million tonnes by the year 2014, upon the completion of Borouge 3.

Under the terms of MoU, ADPC will ensure that the port operation shall make all the necessary arrangements to ensure that Borouge's current production level and future increased production levels inclusive of Borouge 2, shall be effectively handled by Mina Zayed alone until the commencement and full operation of Khalifa Port.

Construction of Borouge 2 began in late 2007 and consists of an ethane cracker of 1.5 million tonnes per year, the world's largest olefins conversion unit of 752,000 tonnes per year, two Borstar polypropylene plants with a combined annual capacity of 800,000 tonnes, along with a new Borstar Enhanced polyethylene plant with an annual capacity of 540,000 tonnes.

Khalifa Port is part of ADPC's multi billion dollar flagship project. Khalifa Port & Industrial Zone is one of the world's largest green field port and industrial zone development projects that will provide essential infrastructure for the growing industrial and commercial sectors of Abu Dhabi.

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