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Oakajee Port and Rail, WA

Oakajee Port and Rail is a joint venture between Murchison Metals Ltd, Mitsubishi Development Pty Ltd and Crosslands Resources Ltd that is proposing to develop an integrated supply chain business to export iron ore from Western Australia's mid-west.

In 2009, Oakajee Port and Rail and the Western Australian State Government signed an exclusive State Development Agreement for a multi-billion dollar deepwater port at Oakajee, 25 km north of Geraldton, and a 570 km rail network.

The company aims to complete its Bankable Feasibility Study in 2011.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Client: Oakajee Port and Rail

Project value: \$4.4 billion

E&P involvement: 2008-2011

Port capacity: 45 Mtpa

Evans & Peck's role

Initially, Evans & Peck was engaged by the Western Australian government to assess tenders for the two parties that bid for the right to develop the port and rail project at Oakajee.

In late 2010, Evans & Peck was called upon to support the successful proponent – Oakajee Port and Rail – to review and assess the operation strategy for the business. The assignment involved assessing key drivers above rail, below rail and portside, and evaluating the options for outsourcing various components of the business to private operators.

Results

Evans & Peck delivered an independent appraisal of alternative operational approaches for Oakajee Port and Rail.

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