

# PROJECT PROFILE

## DUBAI FACTORY



Austrak Dubai Factory, United Arab Emirates

Commission Date: January 2012



### HISTORY:

The Dubai factory is Austrak's newest and largest facility, and the twelfth we have built since our inception in 1980.

Austrak needed additional capacity in a location that could serve international projects, as well as supplement Australian projects when required.

Dubai, UAE is an ideal location with its proximity to growing rail infrastructure markets in the Middle East and Africa, and access to low cost, high quality raw materials.

Dubai commenced manufacturing in January 2012, producing 270,000 heavy haul sleepers and shipping them into Port Hedland for FMG's Solomon Expansion Project.

### FACTORY OVERVIEW:

Located in the heart of the Jebel Ali Industrial district, the factory is just a few kilometres from the Port of Jebel Ali.

Operations commenced with 8 beds, with room to increase rapidly to 11 beds as required.

Additional factory space is available for expansion which would double the ultimate capacity to 1.4 million sleepers per year.

There is room onsite for storage of up to 67,000 sleepers.

*Dubai has an exceptional safety record, with zero LTI in more than 6.2 million working hours (as at August 2012).*

### SPECIALLY DESIGNED SLEEPER PACK:

Austrak has developed a specially designed sleeper pack for easy handling and maximum sleeper protection during transit.

With packaging targeted to impact areas, our slingable pack enables safe and efficient loading and unloading processes.

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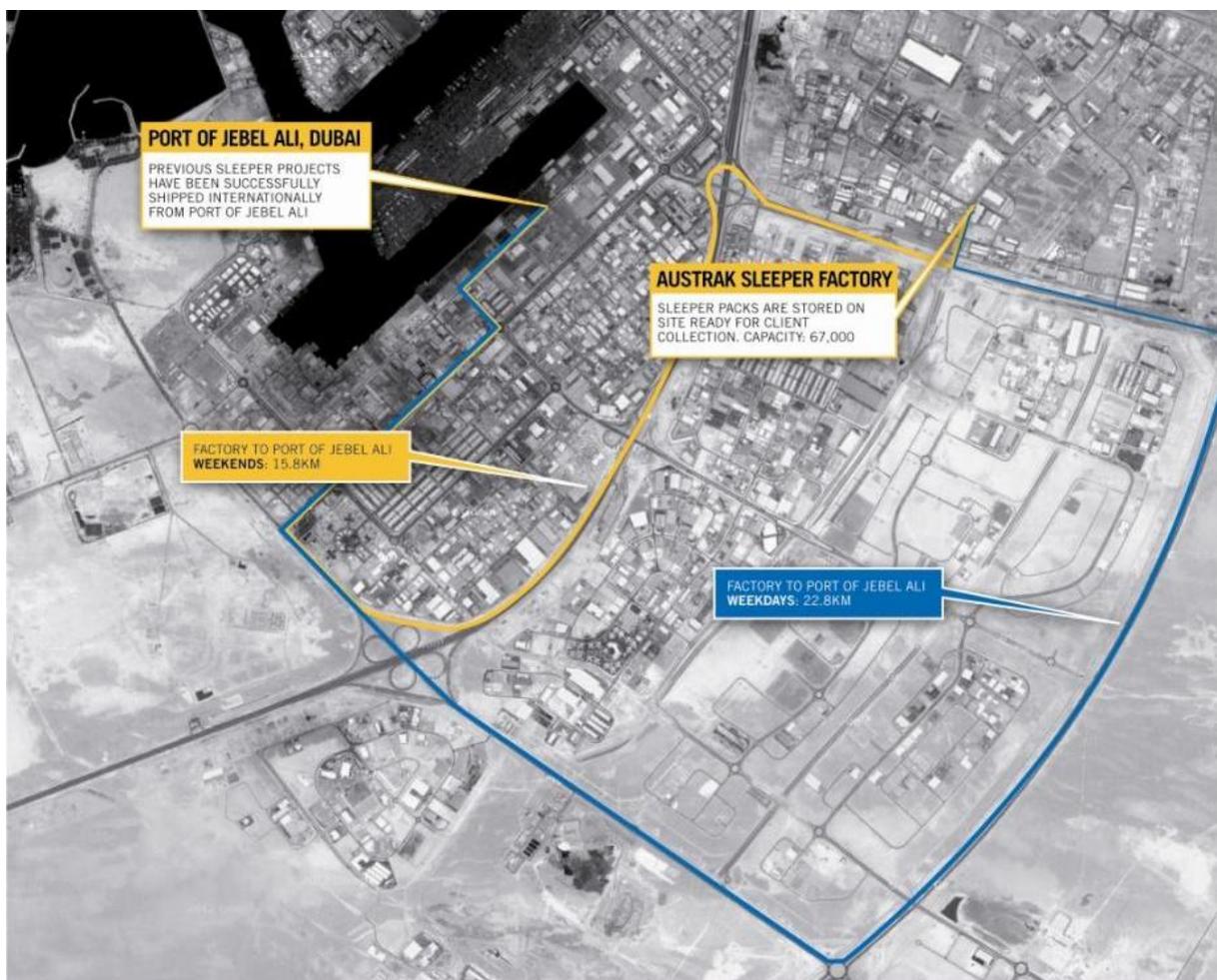
### PORT FACILITIES AND SHIPPING

*Austrak is the only company to successfully import heavy haul sleepers into Australia from an overseas location.*

A significant benefit of the factory site is its proximity to the Port of Jebel Ali, the flagship of DP World-owned ports around the globe.

With 66 berths, the Port of Jebel Ali is served by all major shipping lines and handled over 13 million containers in 2011. It is the biggest man-made harbour in the world and is ranked in the Top 10 Container Ports worldwide.

The Port covers over 134 square kilometres (52 square miles), with over 1 million square metres of container yard.



"Austrak has performed exceptionally well with their production from Dubai. The Austrak team have handled the logistics requirements well. Sleepers have been delivered in perfect shape, just as they came out of the factory."

*Peter Thomas, Project Director Port and Rail Expansion Projects, FMG*