

\$100m cement terminal to boost Jurong Port space

JURONG Port will be developing a new \$100 million cement terminal, the port operator announced yesterday. This new terminal is being built to ramp up the handling capacity of its existing cement facility by another 50 per cent.

"The development of the new cement terminal will enable the port to meet Singapore's current and medium-term demand for bulk cement," said Jurong Port's CEO Matthew Chan. "The port's present cement terminal has a handling capacity of 4 million tonnes of bulk cement each year; with the new terminal, the handling capacity will increase to 6 million tonnes."

More than 90 per cent of the cement required by Singapore's construction

industry is imported through Jurong Port.

The investment used in the development of this new terminal will be raised both from Jurong Port and from the cement companies that will be operating in the terminal.

The project has already been set in motion by the awarding of a \$30 million contract by Jurong Port to a consortium led by McConnell Dowell and comprising IBAU Hamburg and Aggregate Engineering.

Under the contract, McConnell Dowell will design, supply and install a new cement handling system.

This system, which will be based largely on equipment and technology from IBAU Hamburg, will take 18 months to complete. It will be fully operational in the second half of 2013.