

CONSTRUCTION LINK

OVER FIVE YEARS AGO, AS MANAGER FOR FIVE OCEANS ENGINEERING, Mr. John Lee was completing interesting and challenging projects such as the Airport Link for Vougers including above and underground temporary structures. Mr. Lee decided to solidify his experience, and founded Construction Link just over five years ago.

Construction Link manufacture, supply, and install structural steel components for a range of projects, dealing mainly in commercial and industrial applications.

Mr. Lee and his staff have proved that Construction Link has the ability to undertake challenging projects involving limited time frames, limited budgets, and high quality. Construction Link has recently provided structural steel for McIntosh Constructions, for a development of over one hundred industrial units at Kirrawee and Peakhurst. In 2003, Construction Link provided their services for a leisure centre at Fairfield, and for schools at Sefton and Fairfield.

Construction Link was integrally involved in the Rhodes Waterside project, providing structural steel for shoring works for the Origin North and Origin South residential developments. "We supplied all the steel soldiers for Origin North and South" said Mr. Lee. "The client was eager to speed up the process and we were able to match the demanding program," he said.

The walers and soldiers supporting the shoring walls, as provided by Construction Link, were 300mm by 90mm back-to-back channels, of between 9m and 16.5m in length. "These were all prefabricated in our factory, and left untreated as no treatment is necessary," said Mr. Lee.

This provision of structural steel components for the shoring walls of the Origin North and Origin South development was the first stage in Construction Link's continued involvement in the Rhodes Waterside residential developments, explains Mr. Lee.

"The client witnessed our skills and our work and they were pleased. So we were asked to supply, manufacture and install structural steel for the apartment buildings themselves," said Mr. Lee.

The procedures involved in fabricating the beams and columns forming the structural steel system of the apartment building were extensive and complex, explains Mr. Lee. "We took the architect's structural steel plan, and broke it down into a shop drawing. Using computer-based software our draftspeople ordered all the necessary components," said Mr. Lee.

The manufacturing process for the steel components has required approximately 6 months, from June 2004 to December 2004, with a small proportion of work remaining as of December.

"In terms of progress, structural steel is extremely effective in making construction faster, for a quicker and cheaper project overall," said Mr. Lee.

Construction Link has been engaged for involvement in future stages of residential development at Rhodes Waterside.

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