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ALE START LONG-DISTANCE OMAN POWER PLANT PROJECT



ALE has started a long-distance transportation project to Oman. So far, ALE has transported two heavylift (HL) and 20 over-dimensional cargo (ODCs) as part of the new IBRI IPP power plant project in Ibri, Oman.

The global heavy-lifting contractors secured the scope to receive and transport 110 ODC and HL cargo 640km on a challenging route from the Port of Duqm to Ibri power plant site.

The components being transported include gas turbines, gas turbines generators, steam turbines, HRSG's, transformers and other smaller cargo. All cargo weighed between 50t – 390t each and will be transported using conventional trailers and ALE's Trojan truck.

Yasser Al Yasin, ALE's Country Manager in Oman, said: “We had seen a great start to the project, with all pieces being delivered safely and on schedule. We are facing several challenges that we have had to negotiate such as complying with the authorities to gain special permissions so that two items are transported per convoy to avoid delays to the overall schedule and the limited storage at the port has meant that we have had to find a mutually beneficial solution to tranship the cargo to our yard in Duqm to resolve port congestion.

“Furthermore, at 9.5m wide and over 75t, the sheer size and scale of the pieces means that we have had to build a 2km bypass route to avoid certain bridges and work cooperatively with the Royal Oman Police to deploy extra Police escorts to minimise disruption to road traffic and members of the public.”

ALE commenced the project in March 2017, with eight pieces of heavy and over dimensional cargo so far. The project is expected to finish in November 2017.

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Image 1: Cargo received at Duqm Port.

Image 2: Cargo being transported 640km to the IBRI IPP power plant in Ibri.



NOTES TO EDITORS

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Further information can be found on the ALE website at www.ale-heavylift.com