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# **Pavement Rehabilitation by In-Situ Recycling - A Case Study on Seaport Container Yard & Road**



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## 1. Introduction

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- \* **Due to weak and soft foundation, most of the seaports in this region experience substantial settlement issue over time**
- \* **Northport (Port Klang) is one of the oldest seaport in Malaysia encountered serious differential settlement in most port facilities including container yards and internal roads**
- \* **Maintenance and upgrading of G-Block Container Yard was conducted in 2010 to rectify differential settlement issue and upgrade the container stacking capacity**

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## **2. Evaluation Criteria**

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### **Major Considerations:**

**2-1 Structural Design & Reliability**

**2-2 Construction Speed and Timing**

**2-3 Cost Effectiveness**

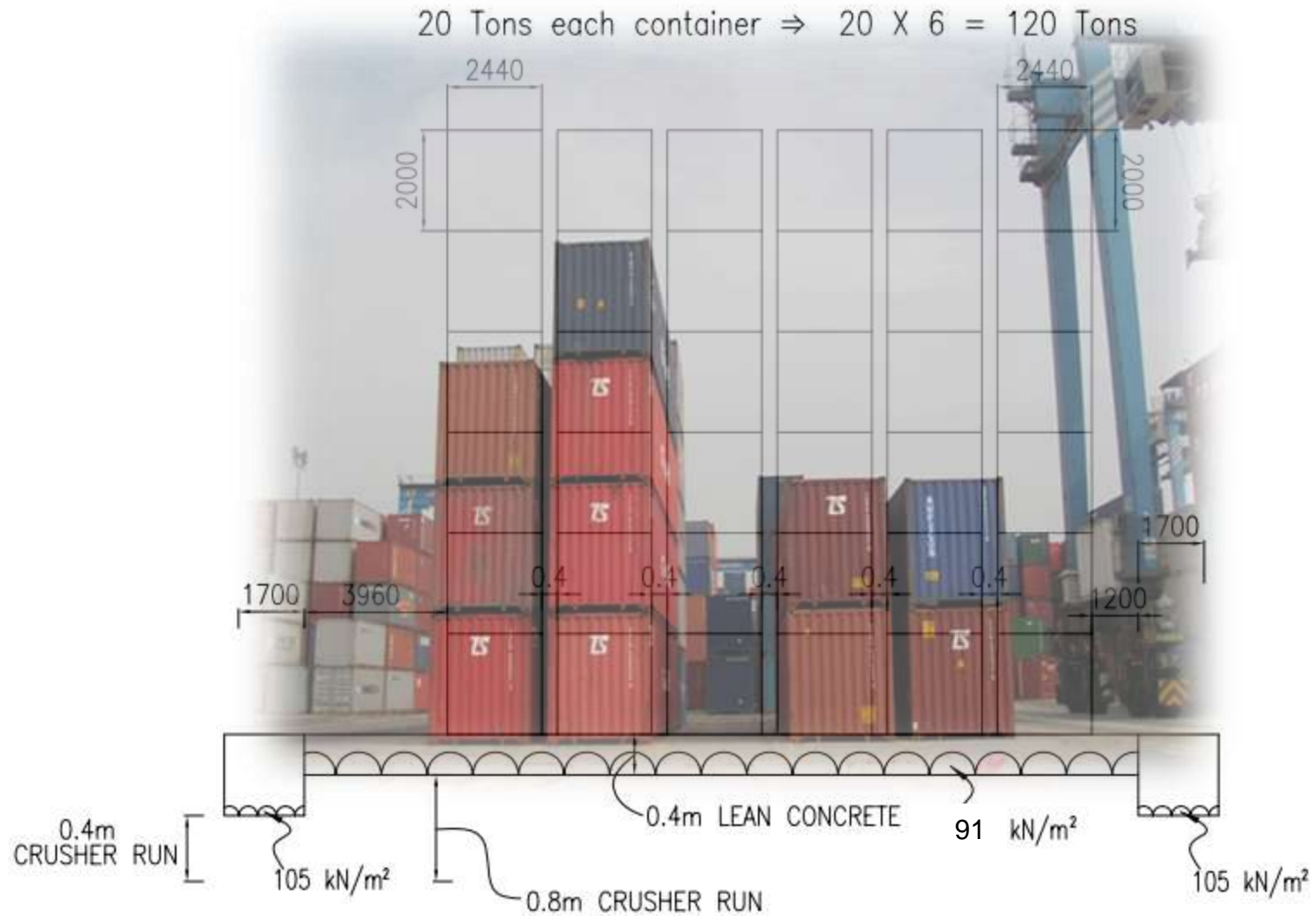
**2-4 Environmental Impact**

## 2. Evaluation Criteria

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### 2-1 Structural Design & Reliability

- High Loading
- Sub-grade conditions – marine clay with high tidal level
- Long term performances and reliability



**Typical Container Stacking Section**



**High localized point loading  
– 30 ton per point**



## 2. Evaluation Criteria

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### 2-2 Construction Speed

- Higher construction unit rate
- Shorter project duration
- Safer construction activities

## 2. Evaluation Criteria

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### 2-3 Cost Effectiveness

#### ❖ Overall Costs

- Short Term Construction & related costs
- Long Term Maintenance & related costs

## 2. Evaluation Criteria

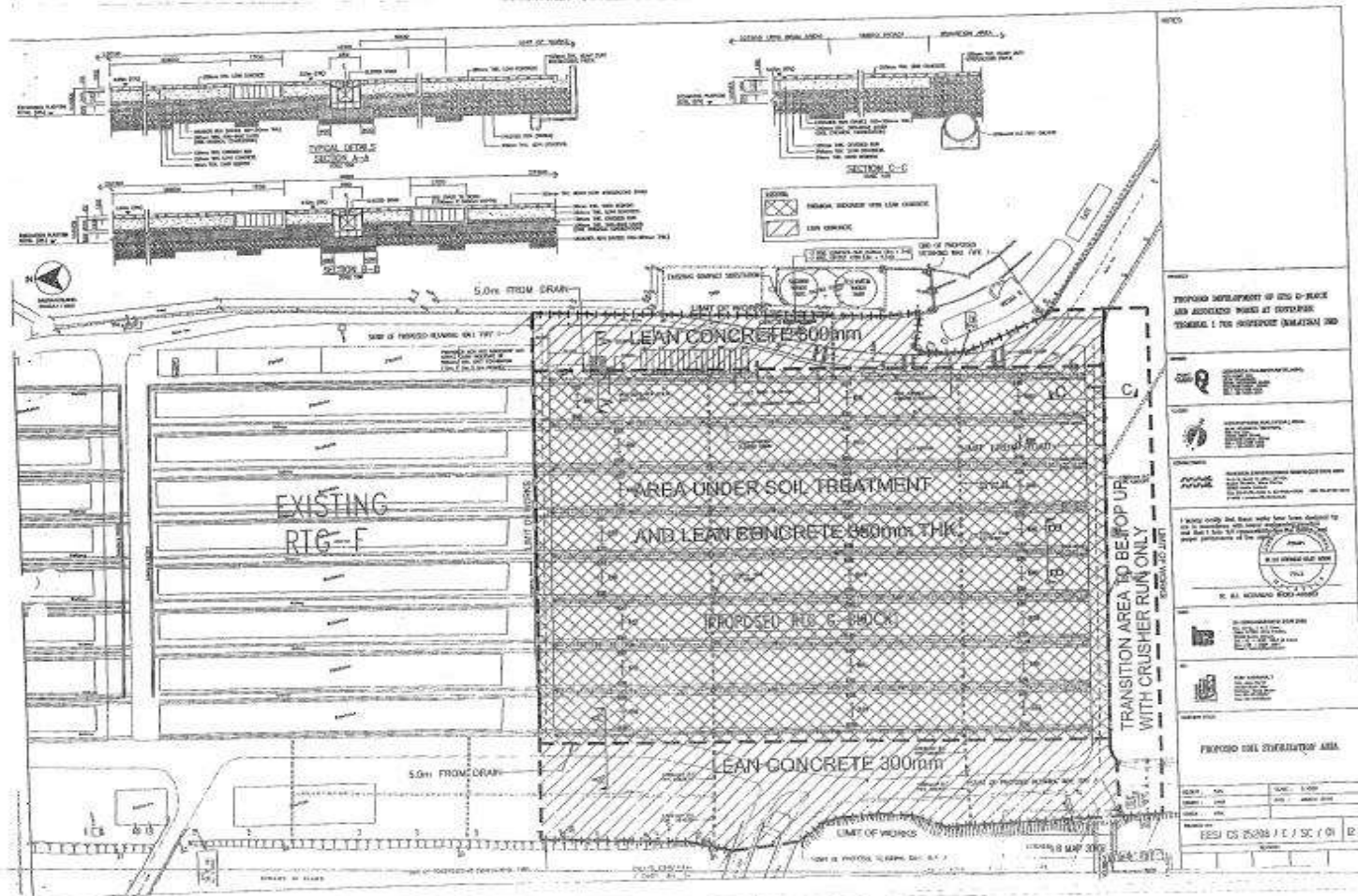
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### 2-4 Environmental Impact

- Environment friendly
- Less excavation and backfilling
- Less ground movements caused by vehicles, machines and manpower
- Less port security control and coordination works

## 2. Evaluation Criteria

### ❖ Final Pavement Design

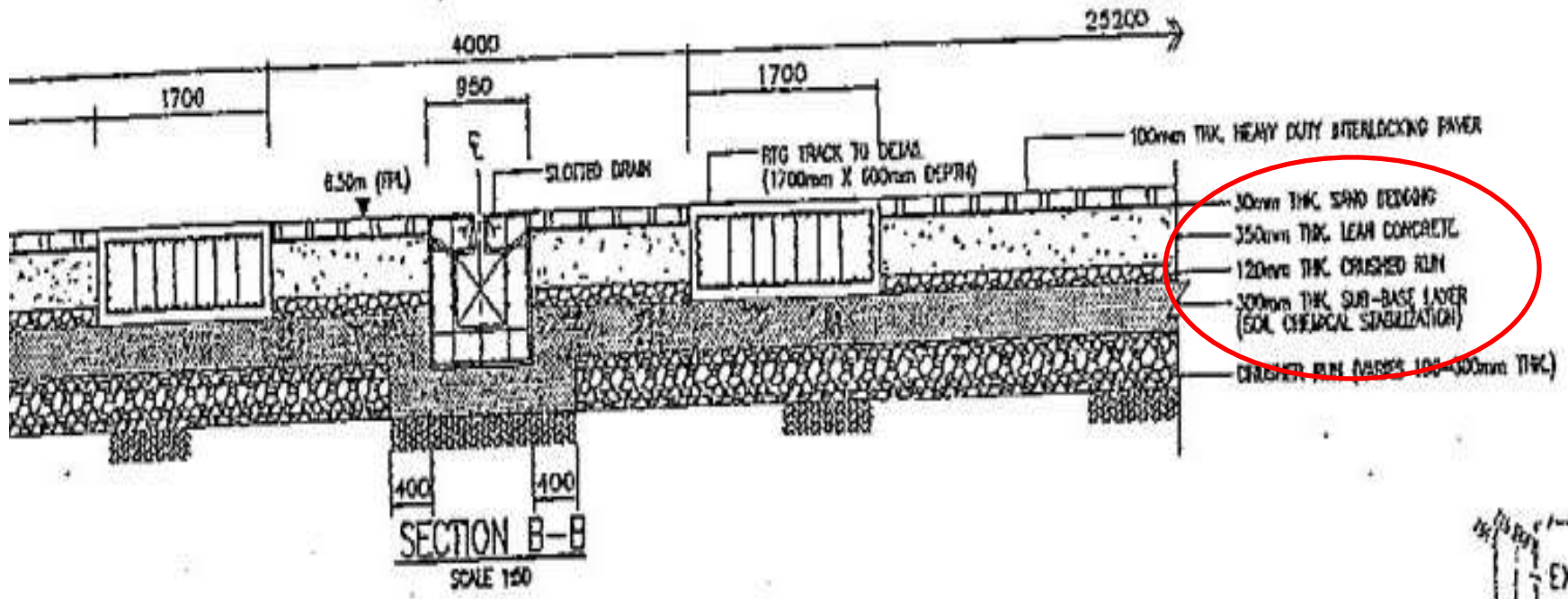


**Typical Cross Section of Container Yard Rehabilitation**

## 2. Evaluation Criteria

### ❖ Final Pavement Design

#### Combination of Rigid Pavement and In-situ Recycling



Typical Cross Section of Container Yard Rehabilitation

### **3. In-Situ Recycling Process & Technical Performances**

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❖ **Definition:**

**“Mixing proper chemicals with in-situ soils to improve/strengthen the soil properties through chemical reactions for engineering purposes.”**

❖ **Design requirements:**

- UCS  $\geq$  2.0 MPa (7-d)
- CBR  $\geq$  120% (7-d)
- Compaction Degree  $\geq$  95%

## **3. In-Situ Recycling Process & Technical Performances**

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### **❖ 3 Major Steps**



**Step 1: Spreading**



**Step 2: In-Situ Mixing**



**Step 3: Compaction**

## 3. In-Situ Recycling Process & Technical Performances

### ❖ Quality Control



**Field Density Test**



**Re-mould UCS Test**

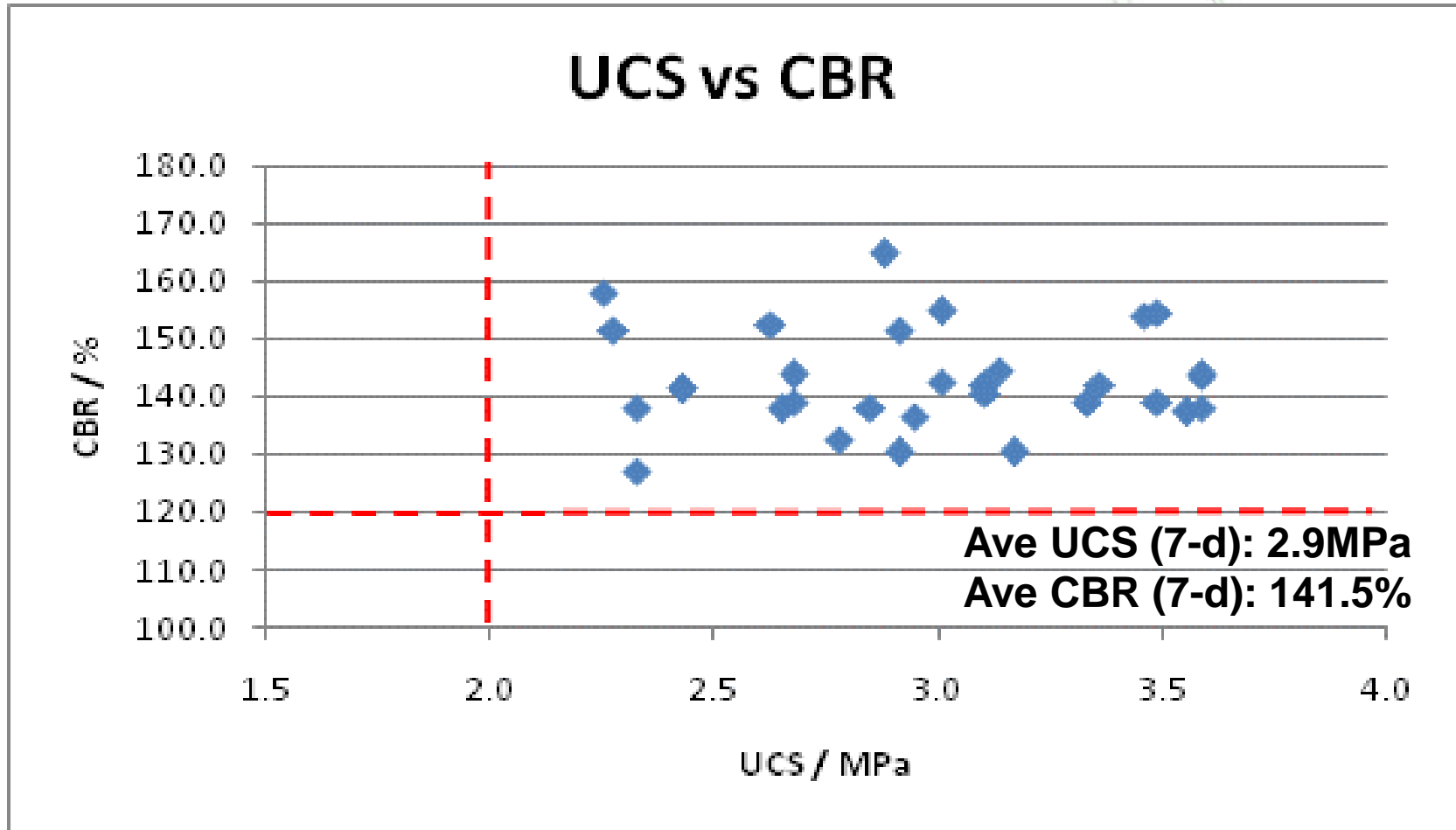


**Re-mould CBR Test**



### 3. In-Situ Recycling Process & Technical Performances

#### ❖ Quality Control – Chemilink SS-108/SS-111 Stabilization



Project: Proposed Development of RTG G-Block and Associated Work at Container Terminal 1 For Northport (Malaysia) Berhad.

Project Duration: June 2010-March 2011

Testing carried out by: Geolab(M) Sdn Bhd (Accredited Lab)

## First Phase in Operation



**9 months after Completion and in Use**



## **4. Benefits of In-Situ Recycling in the Environment Aspect**

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### **Benefits**

- ❖ Better Technical Performances
- ❖ Cost Saving and Overall Cost Effectiveness
- ❖ Simpler and Faster Construction
- ❖ Less Materials Transportation
- ❖ Limited Disturbances to Port Operations
- ❖ Environment Friendly

## 4. Benefits of In-Situ Recycling in the Environment Aspect

Comparison Item	Conventional Replacement Method	In-Situ Recycling Method
Imported Material?	Yes Graded Aggregate	Yes Stabilizing Agent
Quantity of Imported Materials	58,650 ton	1380 ton
Construction Waste Created?	Yes	No
Quantity of Construction Waste	25,500 m <sup>3</sup>	ZERO
Transportation Required	7,200 trips	69 trips

## 5. Conclusions

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- 1) Rehabilitation of Northport G-Block container yard and roads were completed in mid 2011
- 2) Comprehensive project planning and methodology evaluation are critical for the smooth and on-time project completion
- 3) The In-situ Stabilization Method was adopted with significant advantages and benefits
- 4) Technical performance to-date is satisfactory

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