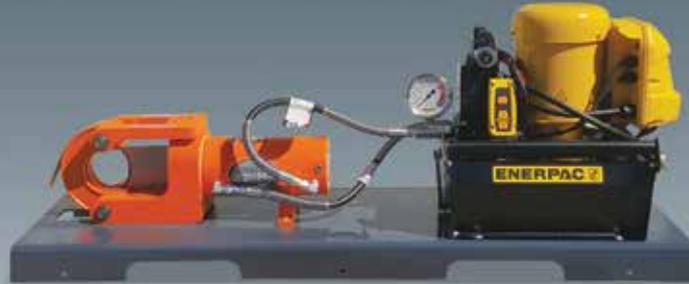




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SW-MWLC high-speed wireless data-logging software] the lift director was able to signal the crane to take incrementally larger loads until the module was airborne and the load of each pick point was known with confidence.”

Each module had been transported from a barge by Irving using 36 axle

lines of self-propelled modular transporters (SPMT). Equipment Corps then placed them onto supporting stools whilst the site made final preparations. The modules were transported approximately 2.5km on land and barged another 20km prior to being landed on those stools. Irving used a team of six

people for the transportation and four people to execute the lift.

Modulift and Siemens Design Rig for Dockside Lifts

Below-the-hook equipment manufacturer Modulift and Siemens Heat Transfer Technology B.V. combined forces to design a special rig for lifting modules that weighed nearly 200t apiece. Modulift sent two rigs for on- and off-load in Korea and Thailand respectively—a total of 16 no. 34t capacity MOD 34 beams in addition to slings, shackles, tie-plates, and other rigging gear.

The two vertical Benson-type Heat Recovery Steam Generators (or HRSGs) first needed to be lifted aboard a vessel for transportation to the 1,300MW South Bangkok phase one combined-cycle power plant located 20km south of Bangkok in the Samut Prakan province, Thailand. Siemens is part of a consortium serving the \$550m project, an initiative of the Government of Thailand’s Power Development Plan, which aims to improve the reliability of the country’s power system and introduce clean power generation facilities.

Dennis de Jong, Supply Manager for Siemens HTT, explained that the

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Straightpoint load cells were added to a custom-built lifting frame. Under the frame were a total of 82 55-ton shackles, 14 Crosby 2.75" turnbuckles, and four equalizer plates, in addition to the load cells.