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LNG: Can We Build It?

Global Gas Market Evolution and Arbitrage: Why North America Matters

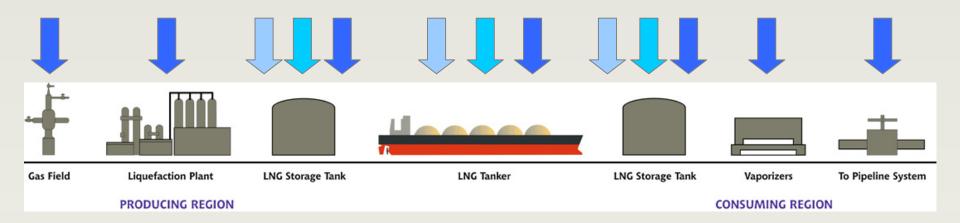


Orange arrows are generally LNG cargo flows to U.S. for Henry Hub premiums. Green arrows are generally price flows to other markets if Henry Hub sets a premium.

Key considerations:

- •Economic regulation of U.S. terminals and jurisdiction
- Pipeline takeaway capacity
- •NGL content of LNG cargos vs. terminal design and pipeline standards (interchangeability)
- •Evolution of short term LNG contracting mechanisms

Example Applications of Multiple Layers of Protection Along the LNG Value Chain



Primary Containment

Secondary Containment

Safeguard Systems

Separation Distance



Issues

- Public acceptance of messaging on safety assurance
- Fear of catastrophic failure vapor clouds, pool fires
 - Inability to communicate probabilities, high degree of emotion
- Preparation of first responders
- Federal/state/local coordination
 - FERC requirements for safety, role of states
- Federal-level inter-agency communication
- Ability to organize opposition
- News media coverage

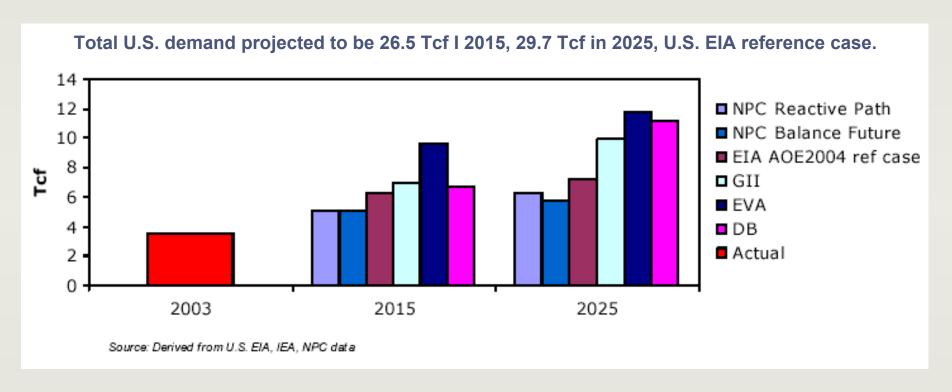


Status

- U.S. Proposed 15
 - 4 FERC or USCG approved
 - 5 face significant opposition
 - Several face commercial issues
- U.S. Planned 10
 - 6 face significant opposition
- Outside U.S.
 - Bahamas: 3 proposed, 2 FERC approved pipes (1 opposed)
 - Canada: 3 proposed, no (observable) opposition
 - Mexico: 1 planned (permitted), 1 approved (opposed)
- Total withdrawn: 5 (1 in Mexico, 1 U.S. defeated by voters)



Projected U.S. Import Requirements



UH IELE, North American Natural Gas Supply-Demand Balances and Energy Security: A Role for LNG? 2004 (forthcoming).

Summary: NPC Outlook, 2030 (Approx. 5 Tcf/y, Base Case)

Balanced

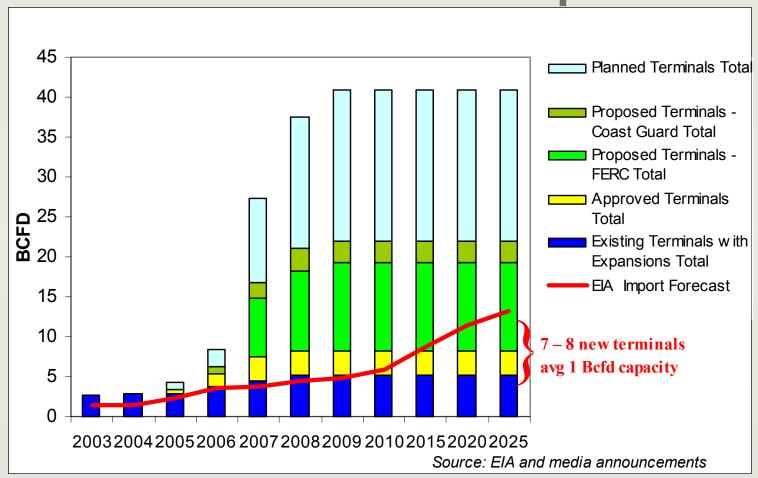
- Expansions to 3 existing facilities
- 7 new facilities
- 4 expansions of new facilities
- 12,550 MMcf/d send out, 4.6 Tcf/y

Reactive

- Expansions to 3 existing facilities
- 2 new facilities
- 1 expansion of new facility
- 6,550 MMcf/d send out, 2.4 Tcf/y

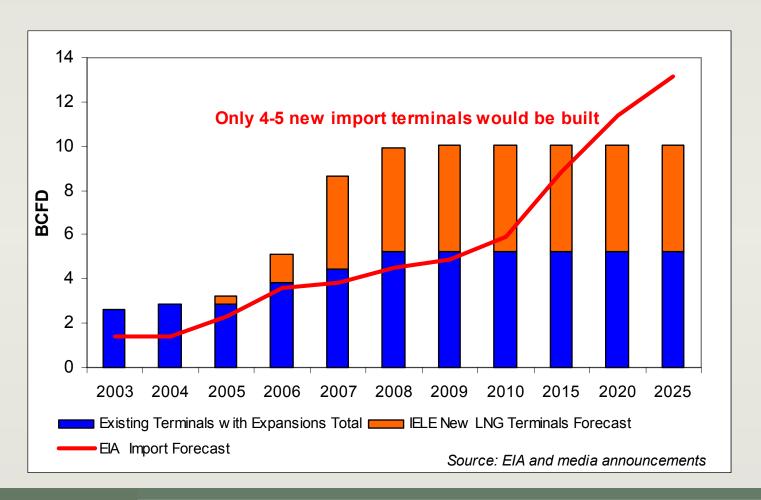


Aggregate of Known Projects: Unsustainable Development





UH IELE Outlook: "Current Path"





Case Study: Japan

	U.S.	Japan
Liquefaction Terminals	1	
Import Terminals	4	23
Peakshaving Facilities	57	
Satellite Storage Facilities (without liquefaction)	39	26

- Historically strong collaboration between industry and government
- 10-year planning cycle with METI
- Binding agreements with prefecture/local governments
- Going forward public concerns toward industrial development, lack of developable sites means more creative use of existing infrastructure and new commercial arrangements



For More Information

- Public education initiatives examples
 - University of Houston, Institute for Energy, Law & Enterprise, http://www.Energy.Uh.Edu/LNG
 - Center for LNG http://www.lngfacts.org/
 - The DOE/NARUC LNG partnership http://www.Naruc.Org/programs/lng/ announced by Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham in Sept. 2003
 - Gas Processors Association (GPA) LNG committee http://www.Gasprocessors.Com/LNG.Html
 - SITTGO film on LNG (under advisement) http://www.Sigtto.Org/
 - The International LNG Alliance (ILNGA) www.llnga.Org



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