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Energy Bridge

Bringing Continents of Energy Together

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- The economics of LNG
- Challenges to building regasification facilities in the United States
- Growth in worldwide liquefaction capacity
- Will betting on economies of scale pay off in LNG?
- Excelerate Energy...a catalyst for action in the LNG space
- What might the future hold for United States imports of LNG?



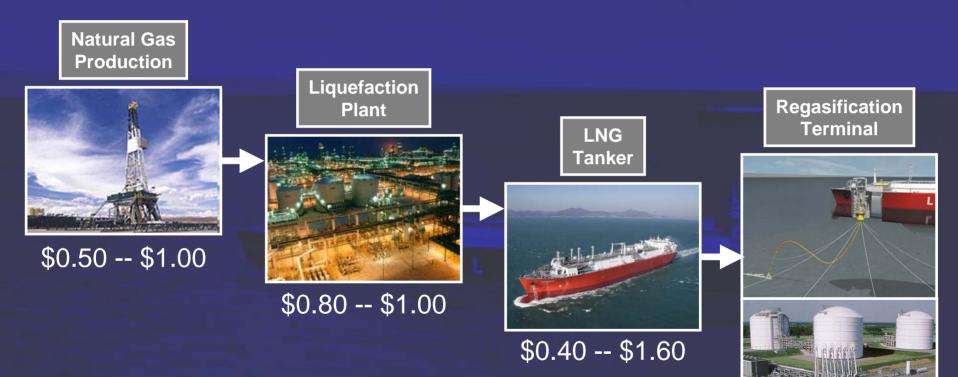
Natural Gas and LNG Volumes

In its liquid form, LNG occupies only 1/600th of the volume that it does in its gaseous state

Therefore, it is can be stored in a limited space and transported more efficiently by ship over long distances



The LNG Value Chain

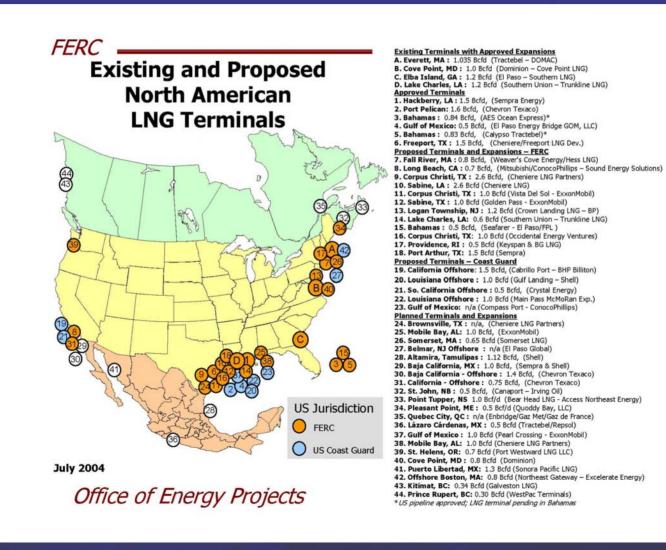


LNG is economically delivered to the US at \$2.00 to \$4.20 (plus or minus location value)

\$0.30 -- \$0.60



Challenges to Building New Regasification in the U.S.



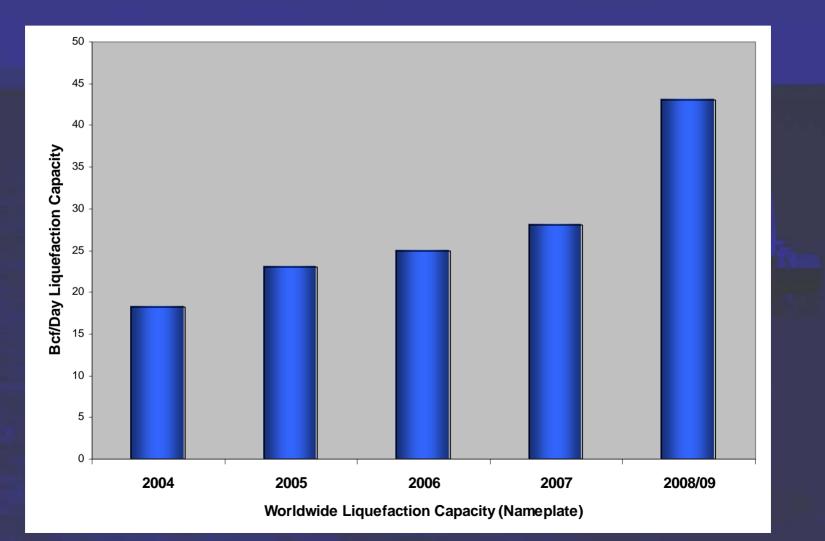


Challenges to Building New Regasification in the U.S.

- Proximity to population and infrastructure
 - Impact of spill scenarios onshore
 - Affect of infrastructure and existing waterway usage
- Environmental impacts
 - Dredging and wetlands impacts
 - Facility footprint
 - Water usage and air emissions
- Long lead time to permit and construct facilities
- Further complicated by public perception

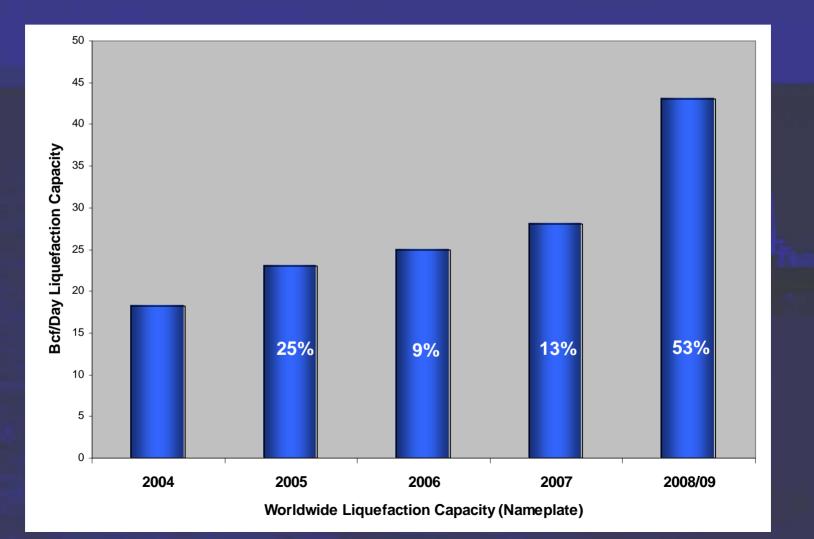


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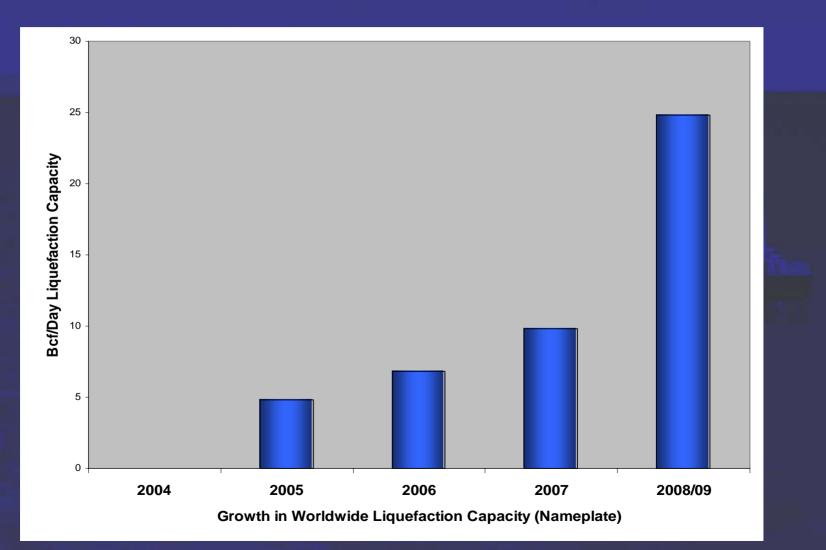




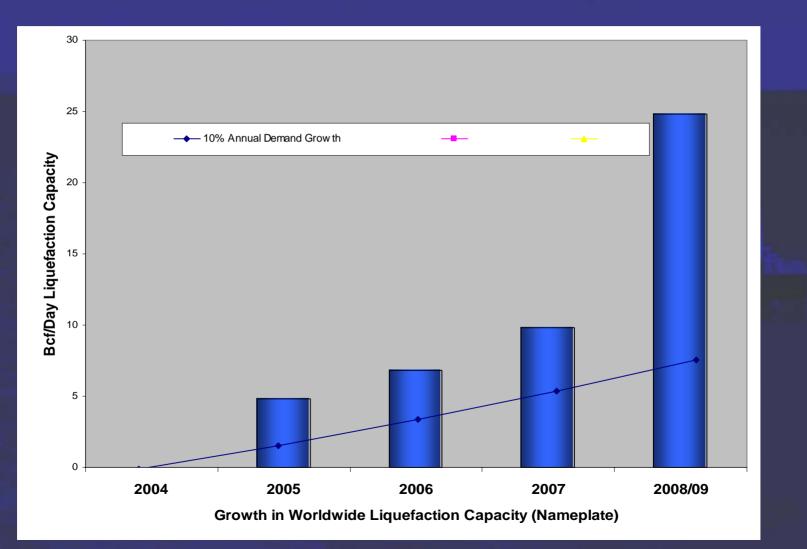
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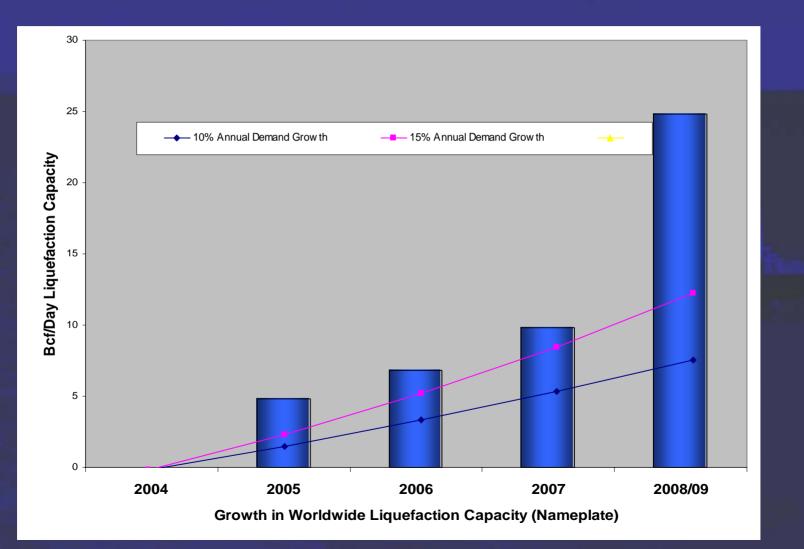




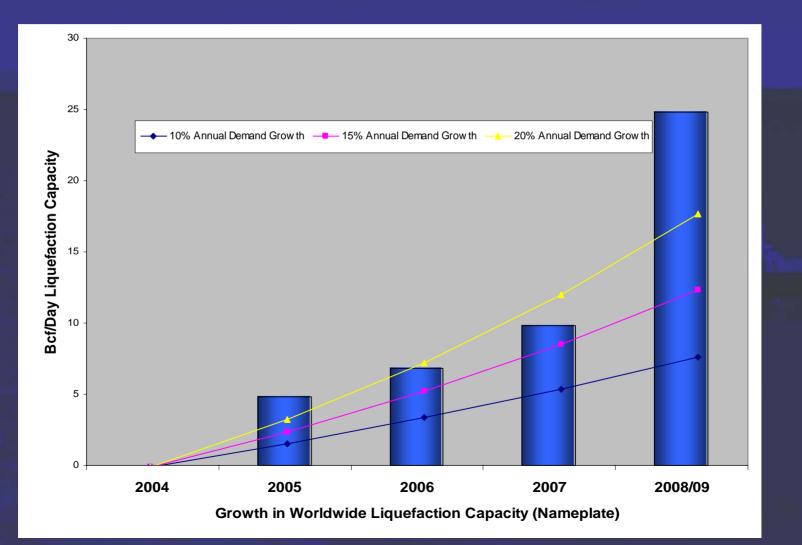












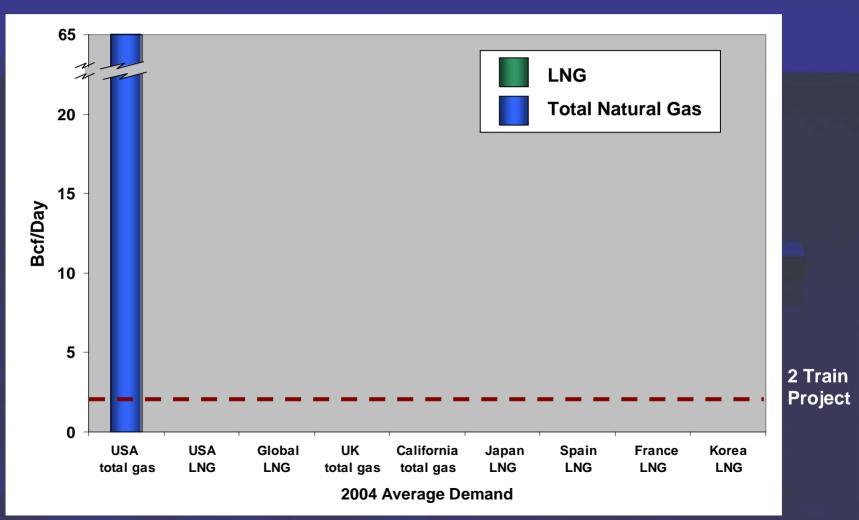


Are Technology Changes Creating Economic Step Change?

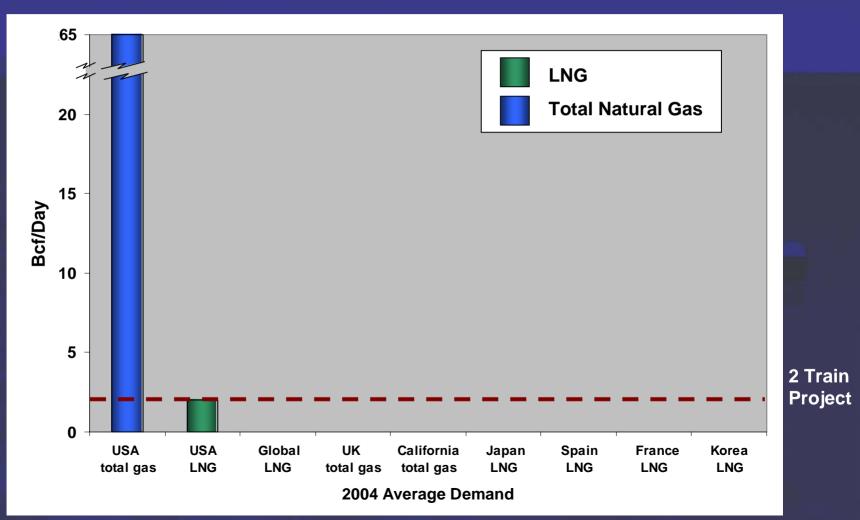
- Economies of scale
 - Liquefaction
 - Shipping
 - Regasification

Question: Will the practical application match the theoretical expectation for benefits from economies of sale?

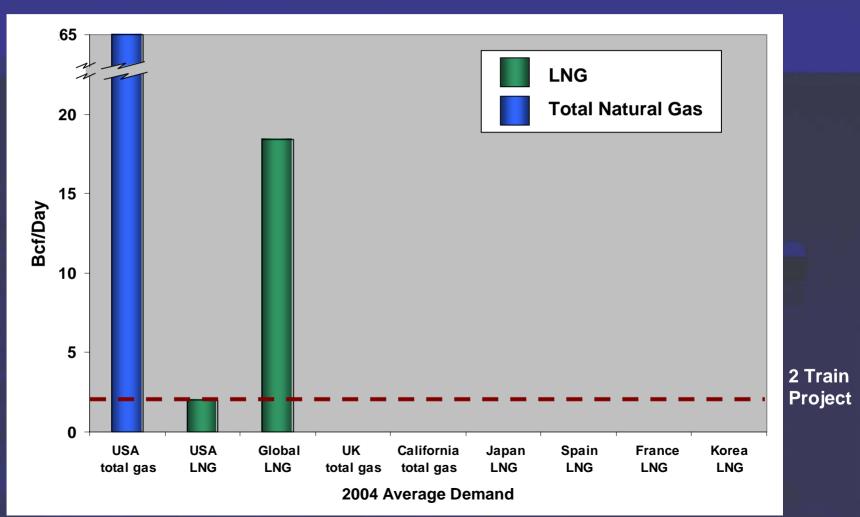
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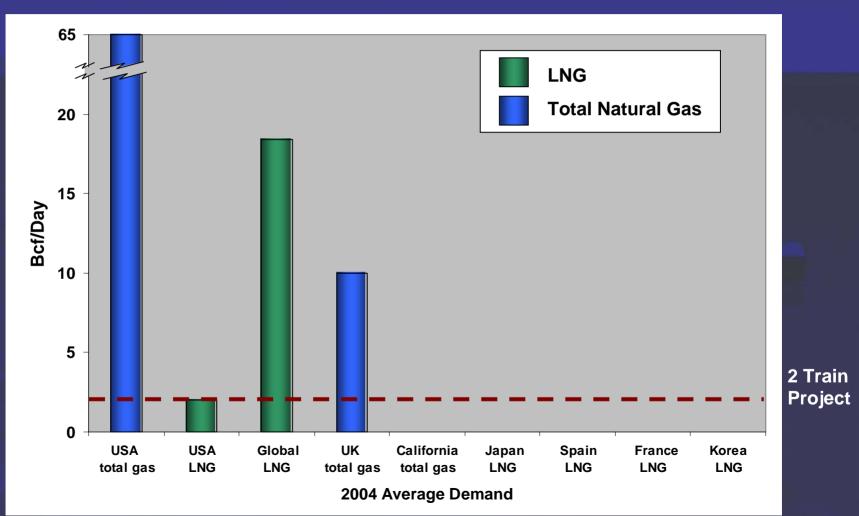
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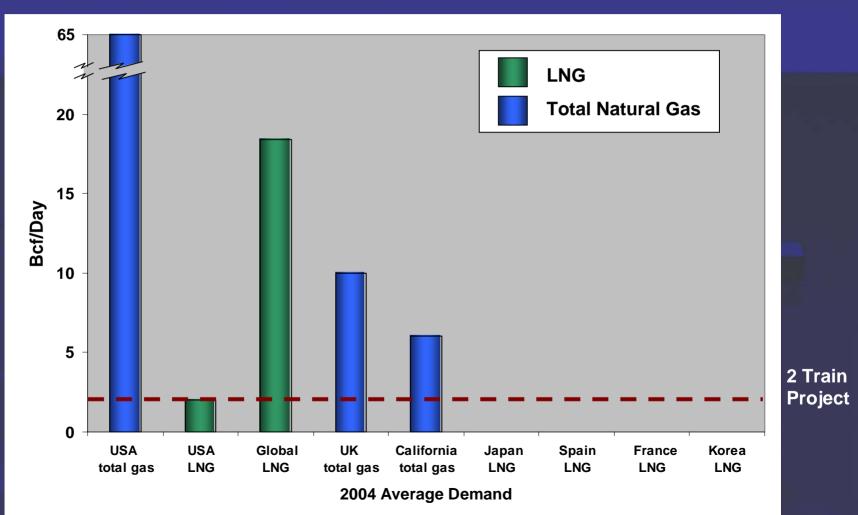
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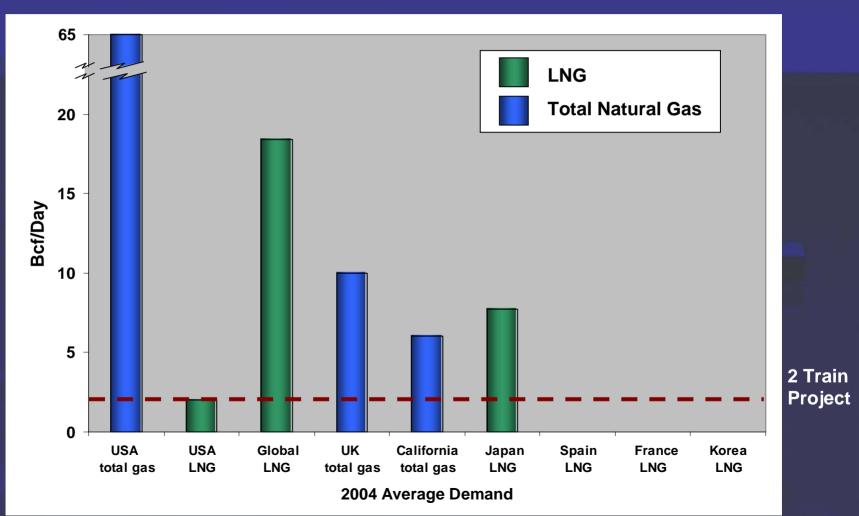
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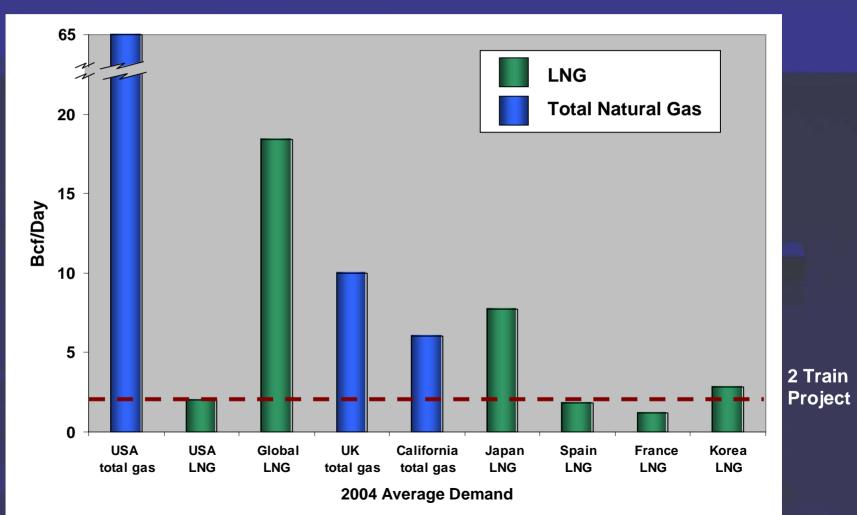
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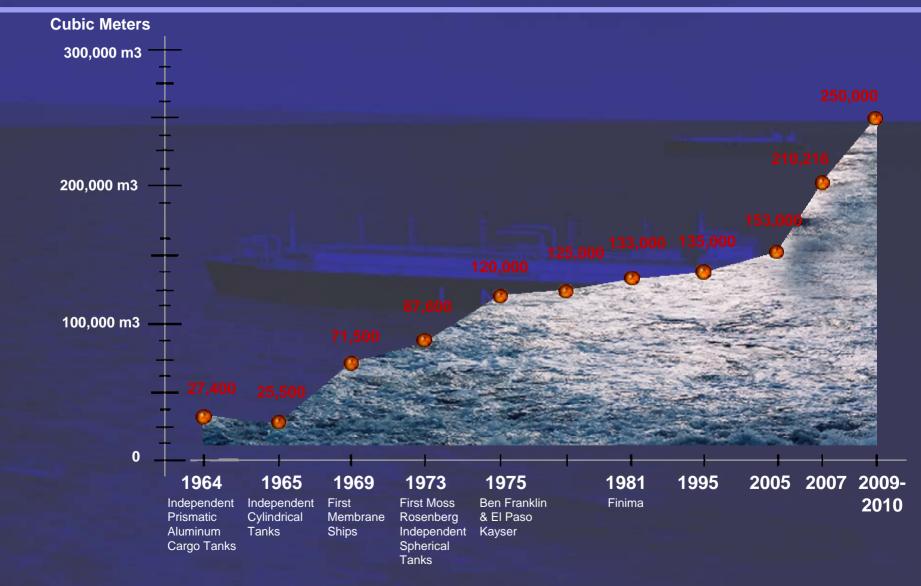


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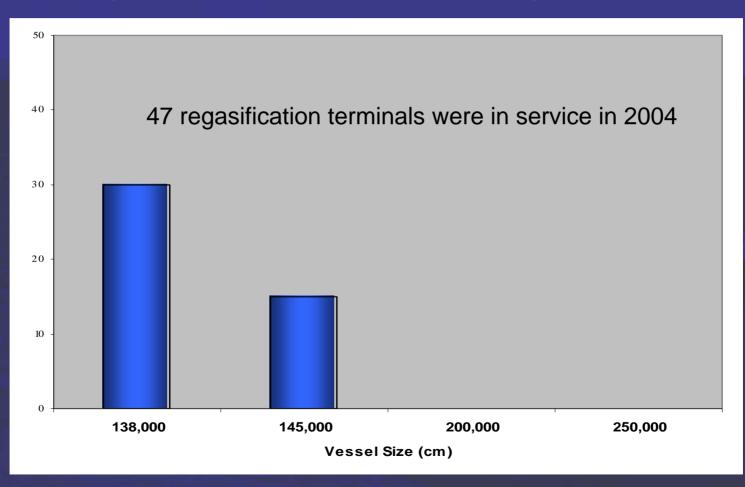


Evolution of LNG Carrier Size

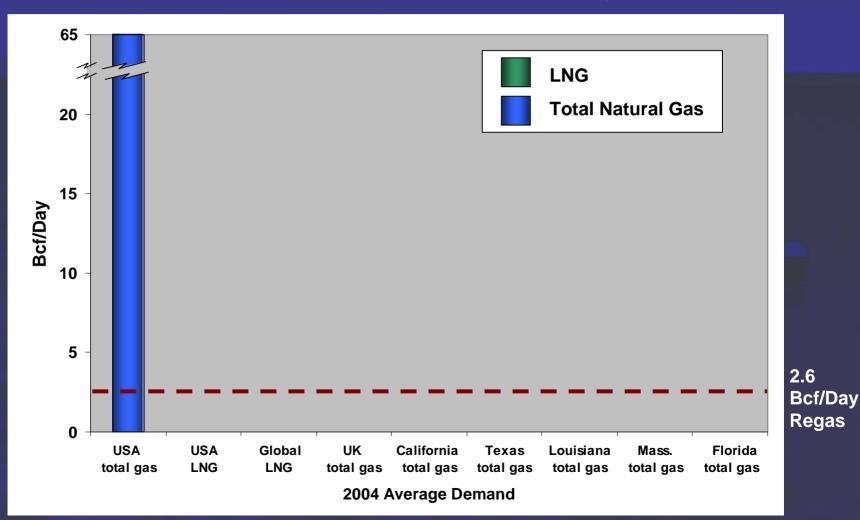




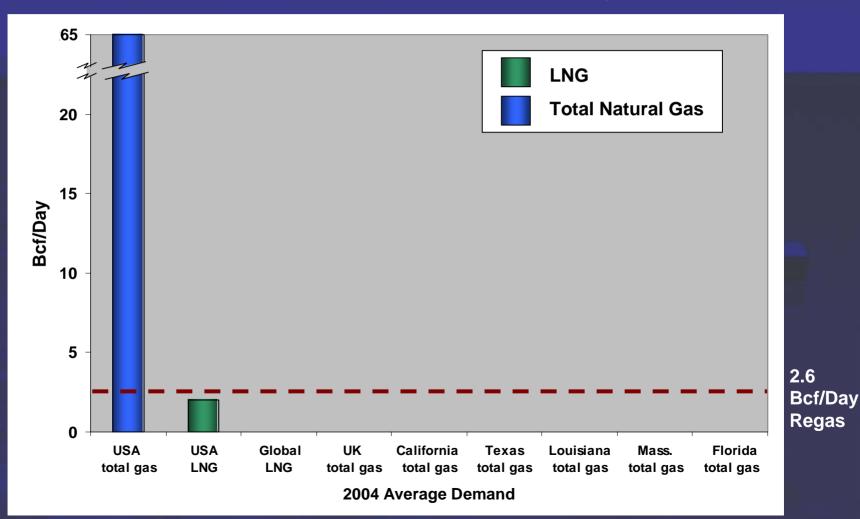
Number of Regasification Terminals Accessible to Large LNG Vessels in 2004



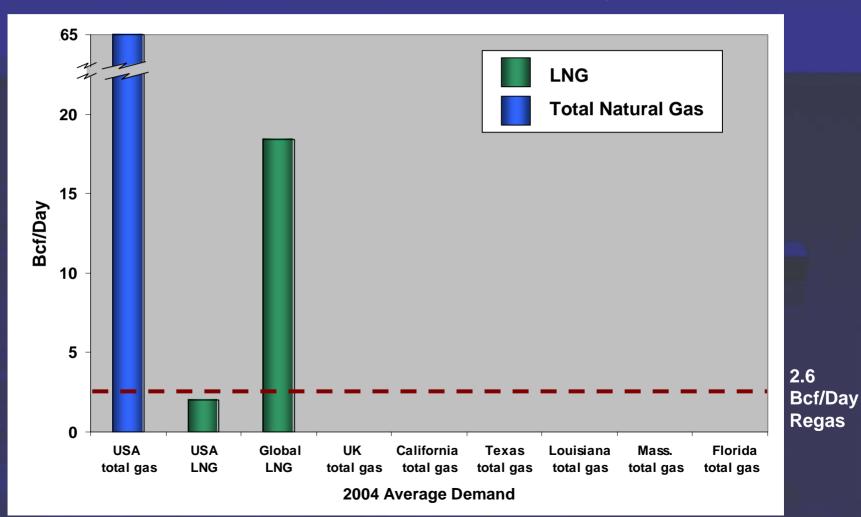
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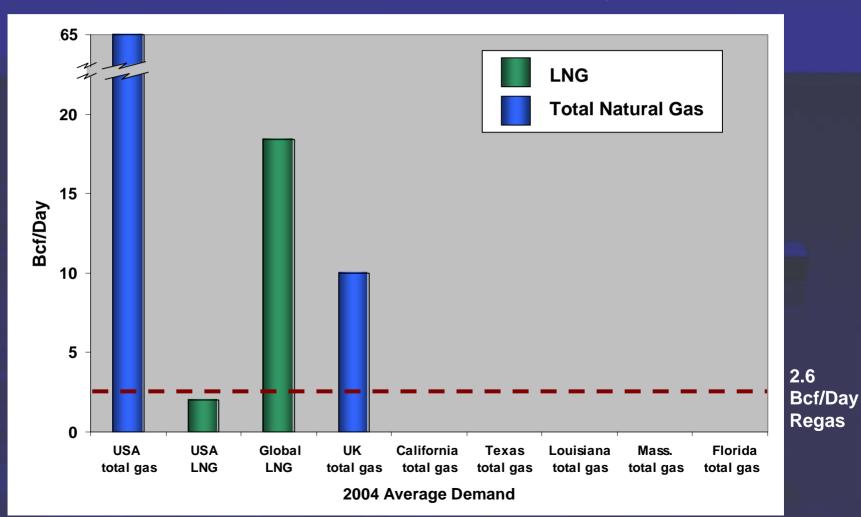
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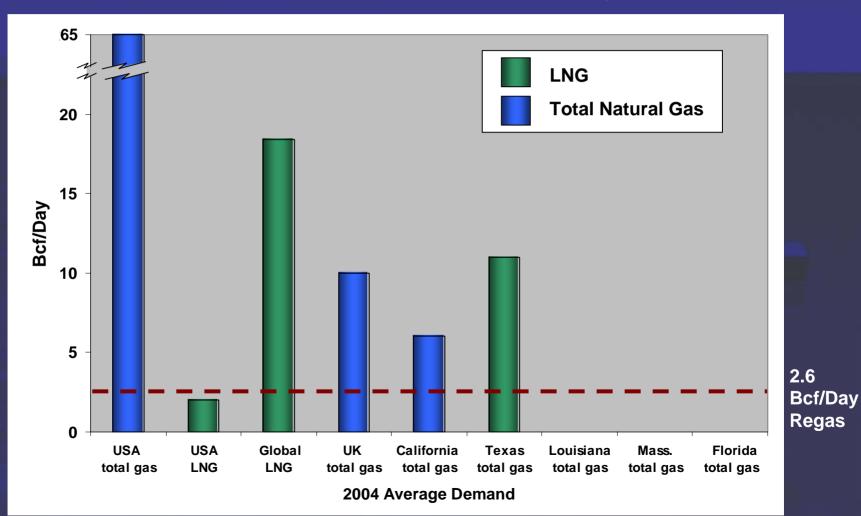
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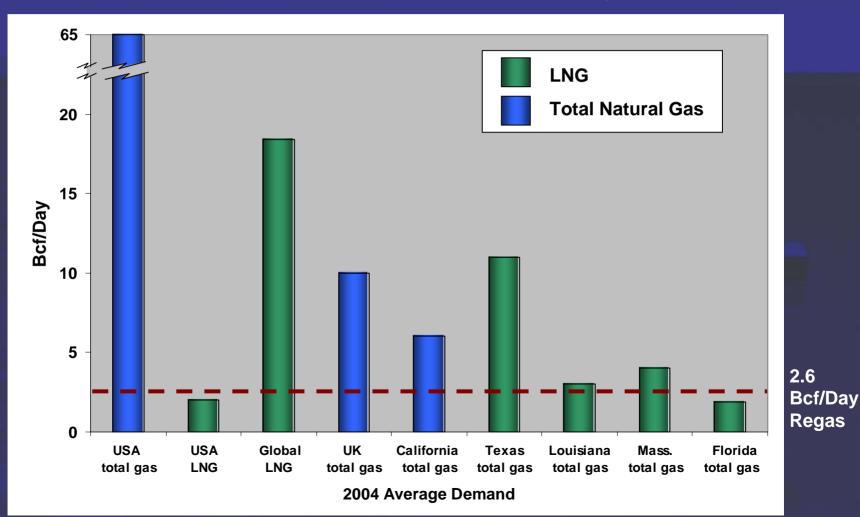
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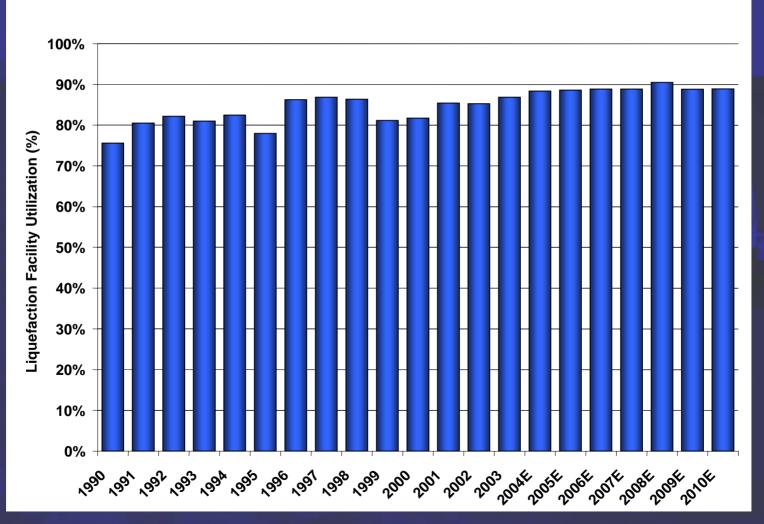


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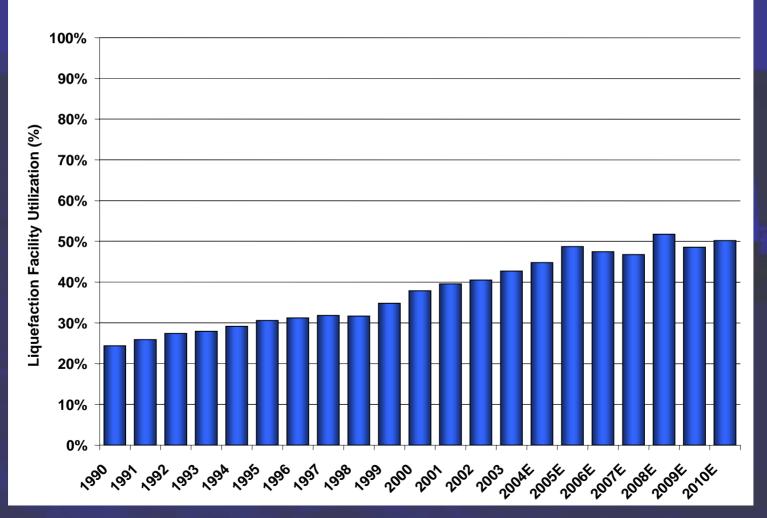
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Issues

- Will enough regasification be built to handle the large liquefaction trains?
- Will enough regasification with capacity to accept the newer, larger ships be built?
- Will the regasification that is built be able to effectively distribute the gas downstream?



Projections

- The "lumpiness" of LNG infrastructure additions, particularly at the scale of current & forecast mega projects, will introduce significant additional volatility to the global LNG marketplace
- The Global LNG industry is building enough liquefaction

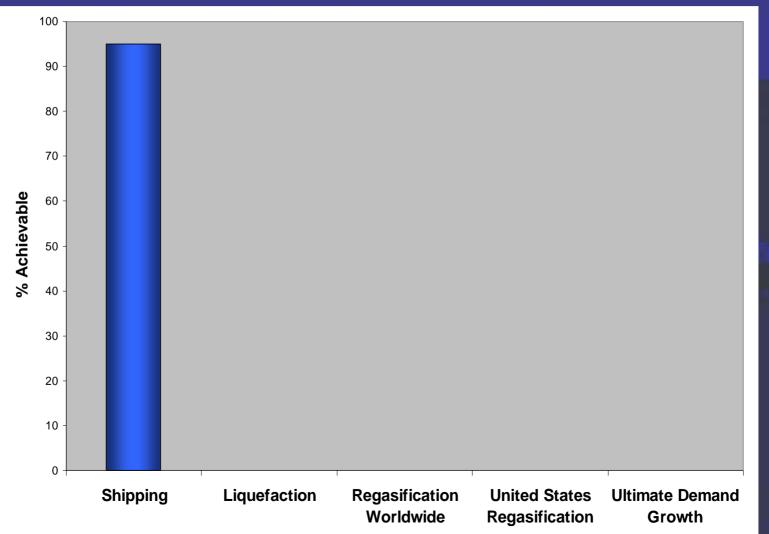
and will build enough ships to move it

such that attendant growth in demand will be difficult to achieve for the next decade

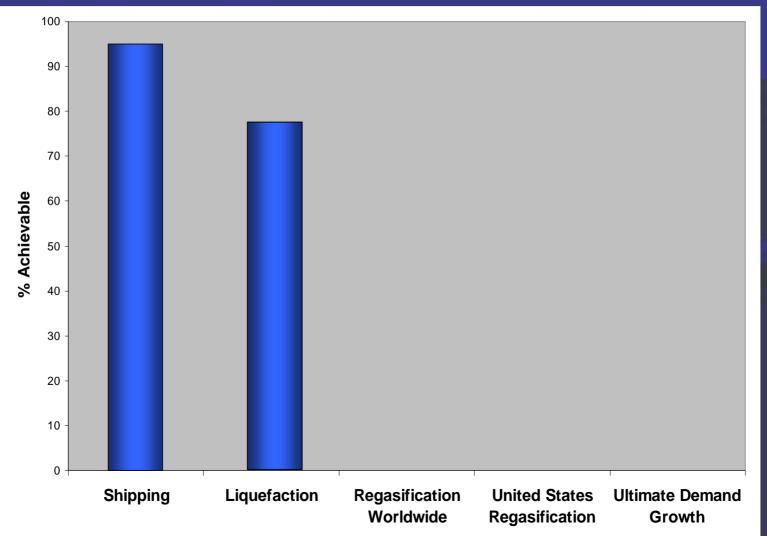




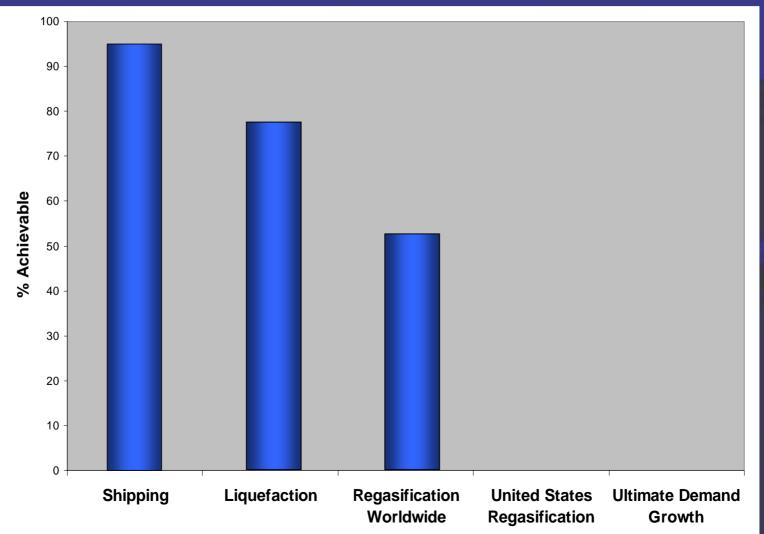








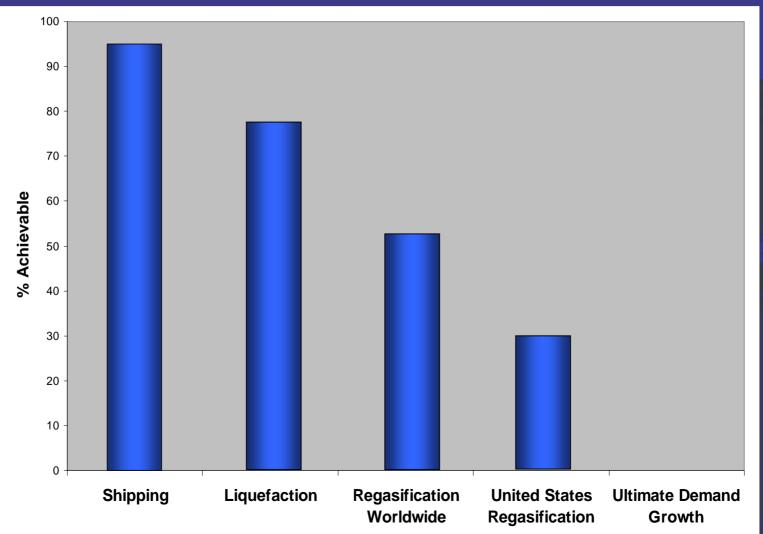






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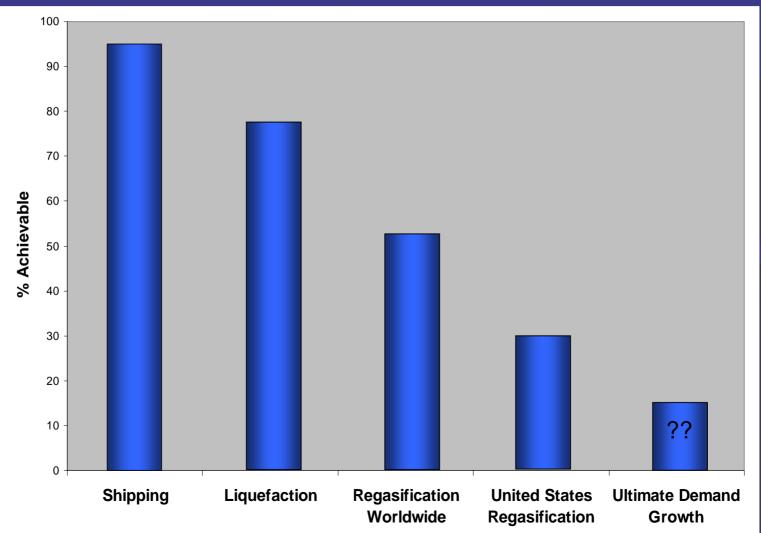
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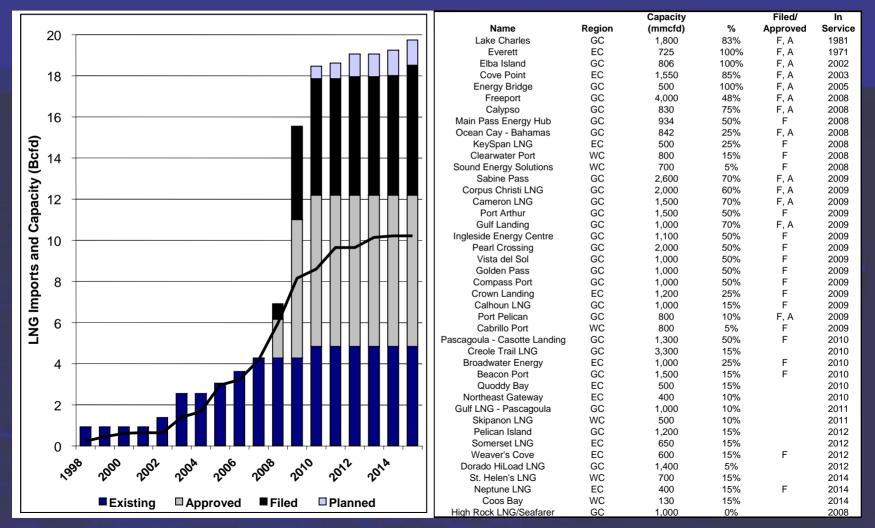
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US LNG Forecast





A Catalyst for Growth in Downstream LNG

- Excelerate Energy
 - A new player in the LNG Industry
 - Focused on adding regasification infrastructure to growing markets for natural gas

Recently completed successful commissioning & commercial operations of the first off-shore regasification in the world, and the first new regasification terminal to serve the US in more than 20 years







Energy Bridge is a Flexible, Floating Pipeline





Gulf Gateway Technical Specifications

World's First LNG Regasification Vessel Excelsior Docked at the World's First LNG Deepwater Port

Peak vaporization capacity - 690 mmcf/d open-loop mode - 450 mmcf/d closed-loop Storage tank capacity - 138,000 cubic meters

Equivalent to roughly 3.0 Bcf of natural gas

Commissioned March 17, 2005

Ships meet or exceed all U.S. and international standards for LNG carriers



Gulf Gateway required a metering platform given its dual connection to the Sea Robin and Blue Water Pipelines



Other locations will likely not require such a platform



Gulf Gateway Commercial Operations

Construction completed February 2005

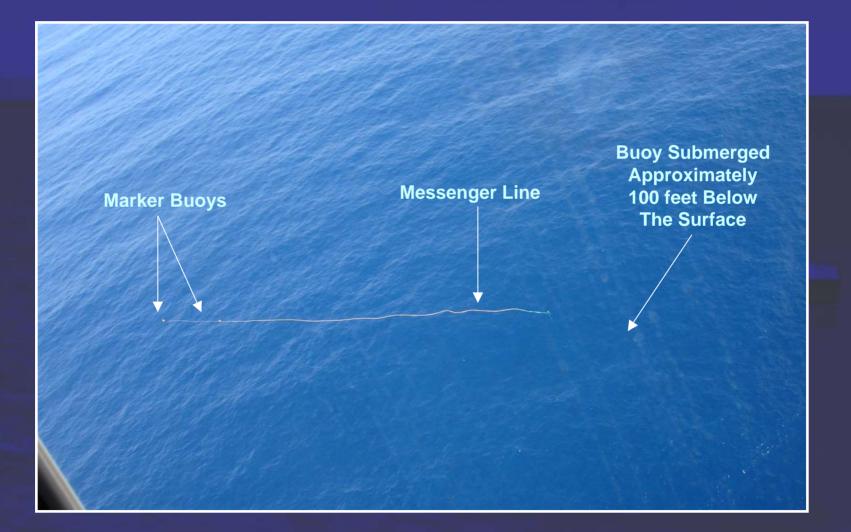
- > Available 3+ years ahead of other new projects; On time, on budget
- Total construction time 6 winter months

Excelsior, Excelerate's first Energy Bridge vessel arrived on March 17

- Successfully docked to the buoy the same day
- Commissioning and test flows followed
- Commercial gas flows commenced March 22
- Discharge successfully completed on March 30
- Performance now proven
 - Maximum throughput rate of 690 mmcf/d in open-loop
 - Maximum throughput rate of 450 mmcf/d in closed-loop



View of the Deepwater Port When no Vessel is Present





What's On The Horizon?





North American Potential Project Portfolio



Liberty Gateway (Potential)

Location: Offshore NY / NJ Capacity: 400+ mmcf/d Online: 2009 - 2010



Galeway





Global Potential - Countries energy Expressing Interest in Energy Bridge





What Might the Future Hold? A 2010 Regasification Scenario

5 Bcf/day

10 Bcf/day

15 Bcf/day

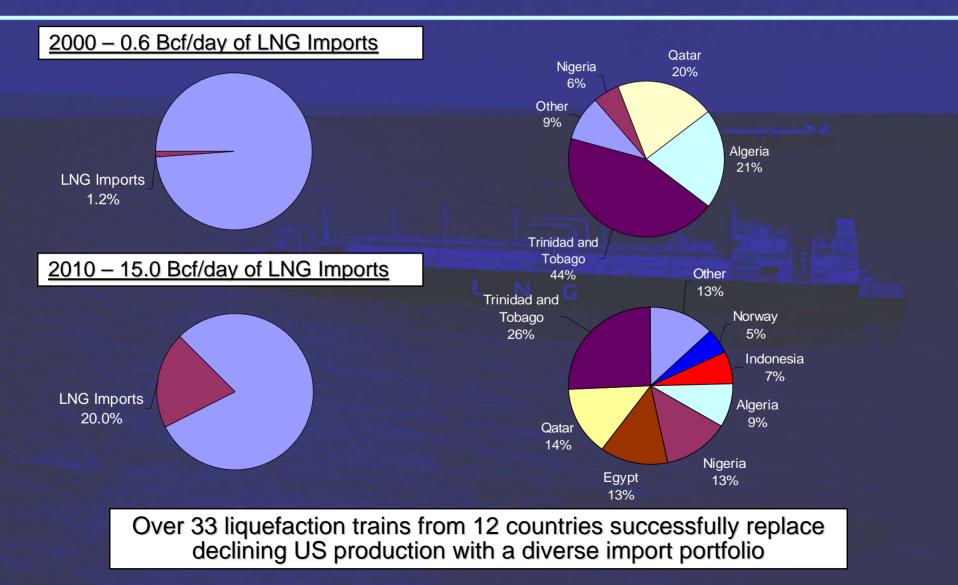
Many of the current regas projects should get built

- Current terminals plus expansions
- 10 facilities at 1 Bcf/day each
- Total regasification capacity potential

LNG could represent 20% of Demand by 2010



The Potential for an Impactful Decade





But... It Won't be Easy

- Aligning investment decisions and commitments
- Protecting against Henry Hub price collapse
- Fighting resistance to infrastructure construction
- Competing with push for "Domestic" alternatives
- Allaying safety concerns





