

On Flaring and Venting Reduction and Natural Gas Utilisation

Energy efficient LNG technology for recovery of flare gas

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Background



- Significant amounts of natural gas is flared or vented in relation to oil production
- Reserves of "stranded" natural gas abandoned due to lack of profitability
- Considerable amounts of methane is produced as biological material is broken down
- Lack of infrastructure prevents natural gas recovery
- Liquefaction of natural gas to LNG is a viable and interesting alternative
 - -Volume reduction of 600 times
 - Cost efficient shipment around the world
- LNG is a flexible product can be transported to markets paying the highest price

The Pre-treatment Challenge



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The Pretreatment Challenge

- Requirements to gas entering liquefier
 - CO₂ 50 ppm
 - H₂O 1 ppm
 - $-H_2S$ 4 ppm
- Pretreatment dependent on gas source:
 - Batch processes, e.g. active carbon
 - Amine systems (CO₂ and H_2S)
 - Mol sieve (CO₂, H₂O, N₂, O₂,..)
 - CO₂ Wash (CO₂, siloxanes, HFC's ...)
 - Membrane technology (CO_2 and N_2)
- High H₂S content => potentially cost driving
- Energy consumption
 - Dependent of level of contaminants
 - -To a large extent covered by heat







MinilNGTM

A unique mini-scale LNG technology

MiniLNG[™]



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MiniLNG™



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Characteristics

- MiniLNGTM: Capacity up to 15 tons LNG / day
- Based on patented technology developed by SINTEF
- Hamworthy holds an exclusive license
- Fits to small gas sources: biogas, landfill, coal mine methane
- Based on mixed refrigerant technology

Benefits:

- Use of standard components
 - Low price
 - Short delivery time
- Low energy consumption
 - 0.6 kWh/kg LNG

MiniLNG[™] – Pilot Plant



liquefier pre-treatment pre-cooling storage tank power supply

MiniLNG[™]



- Standardization:
 - Capacities: 6 and 15 tons LNG / day
 - Containerization
 - Options for customer:
 - Storage tank
 - Type of pretreatment
 - Electric power supply
- Manufactured at assembly site
- Easy shipment
- Plug and play philosophy
- Relocation possible
- Prototype operated since 2003
- Full scale demonstration plant to be launched





Small and medium scale LNG

Based on reversed Brayton technology

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Offshore installations



- Strong limitations on:
 - Volume
 - Weight
 - Footprint
- Restrictions to gas processing Typical products:
 - Commercial LNG
 - Heavy hydrocarbons
 - LPG or NGL
- Low specific energy consumption
 - Reduces CAPEX and OPEX
- Strong focus on safety
- Flexible to gas composition changes
- Power production required
- Mechanical drives



Onshore installations



- Electric power
 - Can be available for smaller plants
 - Production necessary for larger plants
- Low or negligible building lot cost
 - -Limited weight, footprint and volume restrictions
- Distance to sea might be a challenge
- Low specific energy consumption
 - Reduces CAPEX and OPEX



Hamworthy Experience



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Snurrevarden LNG Plant, Norway (22,000 TPA)

- First free-standing small scale LNG plant in Northern Europe delivered March 2003.
- Hamworthy EPCIC contract with GASNOR.
- Technology feasibility and robustness thoroughly and successfully demonstrated.



35 LNG BOG Reliquefaction systems



Al Gattara (Hyundai) BOG Reliquefaction System (58,000 TPA)

Kollsnes II LNG

- 2 x capacity of existing Linde plant (Kollsnes I).
- Hamworthy EPCIC contract with GASNOR.
- Full production August 2007.



Kollsnes II LNG Plant, Norway (84,000 TPA)

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Nitrogen Expander Cycle



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- Non-combustible and non-toxic cooling medium locally generated
- Robustness; single phase, single component, few or no splitting of streams
- Can be ramped quickly up and down in capacity, also fully automatic
- Can operate on optimum design point over a wide range of feed gas properties



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- Novel and improved Brayton technology
 - Based on proven technology
 - Patent pending
 - Low specific energy consumption: ~0.35 kWh/kg LNG
 - Adaptable to varying gas compositions
 - Compact system small footprint
 - Capacities increased to 1.0 MTPA per train
 - Waste heat recovery feasible => energy consumption further reduced
 - Successful offshore engineering studies for varying capacities carried out – to be followed by contract



3D model 26.000 TPA



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3D model FLNG 2 MTPA





Concluding Remarks



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- Efficient LNG technology for hydrocarbon gas recovery available today
- Unique MiniLNG[™] technology for biogas, landfill gas and coal mine methane – up to 5.500 TPA
- Novel and compact nitrogen Brayton technology developed for onshore and offshore flare gas recovery – 1.000.000 TPA

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