

Air Liquide Engineering & Construction signs a contract with LNG supplier in the US

Air Liquide Engineering and Construction signs a new contract with Kinetrex Energy, the leading supplier of Liquefied Natural Gas in the Midwest US and an expert in clean fuel solutions.

Air Liquide Engineering & Construction has been selected by Kinetrex Energy to upgrade their North Plant LNG production unit in Indianapolis, IN, USA, by replacing the cold box with the Smartfin™ proprietary technology. This state-of-the-art, single mixed-refrigerant technology for small to medium scale plants will enable Kinetrex Energy to increase the plant capacity and leverage its existing assets for clean fuel solutions. The upgraded LNG plant, using Air Liquide technology, is expected to start operation by the end of 2018.

As a pioneer in LNG, Air Liquide has delivered more than 20 LNG liquefaction facilities worldwide over the past 50 years. Air Liquide successfully re-entered the LNG market in 2015 and has achieved commercial successes by leveraging its strong expertise in cryogenics and gas treatment.

Domenico D'Elia, Vice President and Chairman of Air Liquide Engineering & Construction said, *"This cooperation with Kinetrex Energy marks an important milestone as we continue delivering dedicated technologies and facilities to the US LNG market. We are delighted to offer our customer such state-of-the-art technology and long-term, responsible solutions for the clean fuel sector."*

Air Liquide Engineering & Construction

Air Liquide Engineering & Construction builds Air Liquide Group production units (mainly air gas separation and hydrogen production units) and provides external customers with efficient, sustainable, customized technology and process solutions. Air Liquide Engineering & Construction's core expertise in industrial gases, energy conversion and gas purification, enables customers to optimize natural resources. This business unit covers the entire project life-cycle: license engineering services / proprietary equipment, high-end engineering & design capabilities, project management & execution services. As a technology partner, customers benefit from our research and development to contribute to energy transition. In 2016, revenues were €474 million.

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The world leader in gases, technologies and services for Industry and Health, Air Liquide is present in 80 countries with approximately 67,000 employees and serves more than 3 million customers and patients. Oxygen, nitrogen and hydrogen are essential small molecules for life, matter and energy. They embody Air Liquide's scientific territory and have been at the core of the company's activities since its creation in 1902.

Air Liquide's ambition is to lead its industry, deliver long term performance and contribute to sustainability. The company's customer-centric transformation strategy aims at profitable growth over the long term. It relies on operational excellence, selective investments, open innovation and a network organization implemented by the Group worldwide. Through the commitment and inventiveness of its people, Air Liquide leverages energy and environment transition, changes in healthcare and digitization, and delivers greater value to all its stakeholders.

Air Liquide's revenue amounted to €18.1 billion in 2016 and its solutions that protect life and the environment represented more than 40% of sales. Air Liquide is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange (compartment A) and belongs to the CAC 40, EURO STOXX 50 and FTSE4Good indexes.