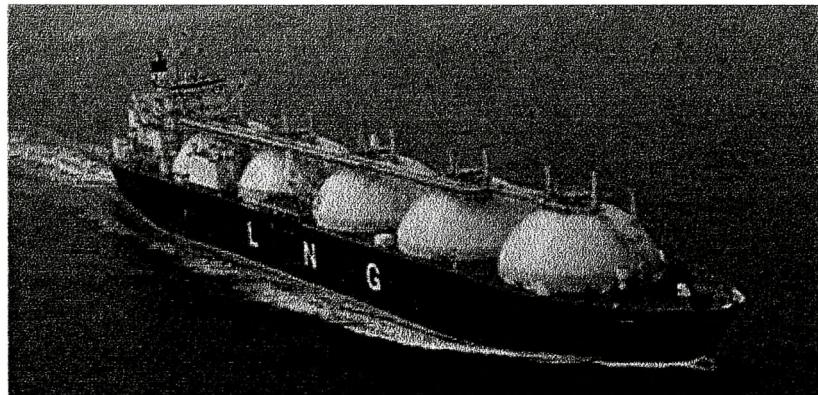


LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS OFF THE COAST OF OXNARD



Two companies have filed applications for liquefied natural gas receiving terminals off the Ventura County coast. Tanker ships would bring the imported LNG to the terminals where the LNG would be converted to gas vapor. Two new pipelines would then run through Oxnard to carry the gas to the main gas distribution facility near Camarillo.

BHP Billiton from Australia proposes to have a floating storage and re-gasification terminal, named Cabrillo Port, 14 miles offshore with a 21 mile pipeline into Ormond Beach in Oxnard. Crystal Energy, a Delaware Limited Liability Company from Houston, Texas, proposes to use a 25 year old oil platform 10.5 miles offshore with a pipeline into Oxnard's Mandalay Beach.

LNG ships, terminals and gas lines are vulnerable to terrorism, accidents and earthquakes. There is the potential for catastrophic loss of life and property. A major concern is the risk of terrorism with the proximity of the LNG facilities to the deepwater Port of Hueneme and the Navy bases at Point Mugu and Port Hueneme. There will need to be safety and security restrictions on shipping, commercial fishing, recreational boating and flights of both commercial and private aircraft off the coast.

If the Navy bases close because of encroachment of LNG facilities, Ventura County will lose thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in revenue. There is the problem with making California dependent on foreign gas supplies. If anything disrupts the supply, such as an accident, terrorist act or deliberate manipulation of supply, the state will have a major energy crisis.

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