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# Grain celebrates 10 years

National Grid's Grain LNG terminal celebrates 10 successful years

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- National Grid's Grain LNG terminal marks its 10th year
- Celebrating 10 successful years and looking to the future of the UK LNG market
- Offering new services such as additional capacity, cool down, reloading and break bulk

This year National Grid's Isle of Grain LNG terminal celebrates its 10th anniversary.

Since opening in 2005, Grain has grown at pace to become a world-class facility at the heart of the global LNG market.

Grain is now the largest terminal in the European Union, and terminal of choice for LNG shippers looking for access to European markets. It can supply the equivalent of 20 per cent of the UK's gas demand and deliver 15 million tonnes of gas each year. With gas imports set to increase to 75% of gas demand by 2035, Grain is essential for the UK's security of energy supply.

Building upon its success, Grain recently began offering cool down and ship reloading services. There are also plans to offer break bulk services through an open season and possible extra capacity through a fourth phase expansion. This autumn, road tanker loading will be added to the list of services offered.

Simon Culkin, terminal manager said: "It is time to pause and celebrate our fantastic success and what we have achieved over the past ten years. I am so proud of Grain and my colleagues who've achieved so much in such a short time.

"We now look to our next decade, meeting the energy challenge ahead and delivering an increasing range of services to our customers," added Simon

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Notes for editors

- National Grid's Grain terminal is the largest in the EU, by tank capacity, 1,000,000m3
- Grain can deliver up to 20% of UK gas demand each year
- Grain offers cool down, LNG ship reloading and will offer road tanker loading services later in 2015
- Planned expansion includes increased capacity, break-bulk and trans-shipment services.
- The terminal stores equivalent energy to supply 427,500 UK homes for a year

Prior to 2005 there was a British Petroleum oil refinery on the current site. Grain was a favourite departure point for Queen Victoria when she travelled abroad.

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### National Grid in the UK:

- We own and operate the electricity transmission network in England and Wales, with day-to-day responsibility for balancing supply and demand. We also operate, but do not own, the Scottish networks. Our networks comprise approximately 7,200 kilometres (4,474 miles) of overhead line, 1,500 kilometres (932 miles) of underground cable and 342 substations.
- We own and operate the gas National Transmission System in Great Britain, with day-to-day responsibility for balancing supply and demand. Our network comprises approximately 7,660 kilometres (4,760 miles) of high-pressure pipe and 618 above-ground installations.
- As Great Britain's System Operator (SO) we make sure gas and electricity is transported safely and efficiently from where it is produced to where it is consumed. From April 2019, Electricity System Operator (ESO) is a new standalone business within National Grid, legally separate from all other parts of the National Grid Group. This will provide the right environment to deliver a balanced and impartial ESO that can realise real benefits for consumers as we transition to a more decentralised, decarbonised electricity system.
- Other UK activities mainly relate to businesses operating in competitive markets outside of our core regulated businesses; including interconnectors, gas metering activities and a liquefied natural gas (LNG) importation terminal – all of which are now part of National Grid Ventures. National Grid Property is responsible for the management, clean-up and disposal of surplus sites in the UK. Most of these are former gas works.

Find out more about the energy challenge and how National Grid is helping find solutions to some of the challenges we face at <https://www.nationalgrid.com/group/news>

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