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ExxonMobil LNG Asia Pacific and Sembcorp Fuels (Singapore) Pte Ltd Appointed as Term Liquefied Natural Gas Importers for Singapore

The Energy Market Authority (EMA) has appointed ExxonMobil LNG Asia Pacific and Sembcorp Fuels (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. as new term liquefied natural gas (LNG) importers for Singapore.

- 2. EMA licenses term LNG importers to ensure that their import and supply of regasified LNG to gas users in Singapore on a term basis (i.e. under Gas Sales Agreements with 1 year or longer duration) are competitive and reliable. There are currently two term LNG importers in Singapore Pavilion Energy Singapore Pte. Ltd. and Shell Eastern Trading (Pte) Ltd.
- 3. To enhance competition and give gas buyers in Singapore more options, EMA conducted a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process to select up to two more term LNG importers. ExxonMobil LNG Asia Pacific and Sembcorp Fuels (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. were selected as their proposals were the most competitive amongst those that EMA received.
- 4. Natural gas is one of the four switches in Singapore's drive towards a more reliable, affordable and cleaner energy future. It is the cleanest form of fossil fuel and is expected to be the dominant fuel for Singapore in the near future as we scale up our renewable energy options. (Refer to Annex for more information on Singapore's vision to be a bright green spark.)
- 5. EMA would like to thank all the companies that participated in this RFP. Information on the appointed importers is available on EMA's website (www.ema.gov.sg/term-LNG-importers.aspx).

About the Energy Market Authority

The Energy Market Authority (EMA) is a statutory board under the Ministry of Trade and Industry. Our main goals are to ensure a reliable and secure energy supply, promote effective competition in the energy market and develop a dynamic energy sector in Singapore. Through our work, EMA seeks to forge a progressive energy landscape for sustained growth.

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FACTSHEET ON SINGAPORE'S VISION TO BE A BRIGHT GREEN SPARK

To tackle climate change concerns, Singapore has to change the way we produce and consume energy. Minister for Trade and Industry Mr Chan Chun Sing shared Singapore's aspiration to be a "Bright Green Spark" at the Singapore International Energy Week (SIEW) in October 2020 to be an inspiration to other cities as we move towards a cleaner, more reliable and affordable energy future.

As part of this vision, we will harness four switches to transform and diversify our energy supply. The four switches are natural gas, solar energy, regional power grids, and emerging low-carbon alternatives. This will be supported by energy conservation efforts and improving energy efficiency across all sectors.

1st Switch: Natural Gas

Natural gas is the cleanest form of fossil fuel and will continue to be a dominant fuel for Singapore's electricity generation in the near future. EMA will continue to diversify our gas sources and work with our power generation companies to improve the efficiency of their power plants.

2nd Switch: Solar

Solar is the most promising renewable energy source for Singapore. Energy storage systems are also vital as they help us manage the intermittency of renewable energy sources. Singapore is working towards a solar target of 1.5 gigawatt-peak by 2025, and at least 2 gigawatt-peak by 2030, with an energy storage deployment target of at least 200 megawatts beyond 2025.

3rd Switch: Regional Power Grids

We are studying ways to develop regional power grids for cost-competitive and low-carbon energy. This could be realised through bilateral cooperation and regional initiatives. For a start, we intend to embark on a two-year trial for 100 megawatts¹ of electricity imports from Peninsular Malaysia to Singapore. We are also initiating cross-border power trade under the 4-country Lao PDR-Thailand-Malaysia-Singapore Power Integration Project (LTMS-PIP).

4th Switch: Emerging Low-Carbon Alternatives

We are exploring emerging low-carbon solutions (e.g. carbon capture, utilisation and storage technologies, low-carbon hydrogen) that can help reduce Singapore's carbon footprint.

¹ This will make up about 1.5% of Singapore's peak electricity demand (based on 2020's figures).

We will continue to improve our energy efficiency in the various sectors. We will also empower households with more information to help them better manage their electricity consumption.

Wisit www.beyondthecurrent.gov.sg for more information.