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A NEW GENERATION OF LNG SHIPS



Qatargas is pioneering the development of two new classes of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) tankers. Referred to as Q-Max and Q-Flex, the ships designed by a team of first class engineers have made a quantum leap in the capacities of LNG carriers.

The new ships have cargo capacity of between 210,000 and 266,000 m³. They are 80% larger than the current LNG fleet.

Currently Q-Max vessels are confirmed for US-Golden Pass on the Sabine River in the USA and South Hook in Milford Haven UK. Ports in the USA, Europe, Japan and Korea are in the process of detailed work for approval leading to confirmation.

Q-MAX:

Length – 345 m

Width – 55 m

Draft – 12 m

Capacity – 263,000 to 266,000 m³

Visit ports in: UK, Japan, USA and Europe

Q-FLEX:

Length – 315 m

Width – 50 m

Draft – 12 m

Capacity – 210,100 to 217,000 m³

Visit ports in: UK, Japan, USA and Europe

These new vessels will have many innovative features to maximize cargo deliveries and to ensure the highest levels of safety and reliability.

The vessels are currently being constructed at three building yards in South Korea, namely Hyundai Heavy Industries (HHI) at Ulsan, Samsung Heavy Industries (SHI) on Geoje Island and Daewoo Shipbuilding and Marine Engineering (DSME) on Geoje Island.

The first four vessels were delivered in 2007 and the first Q-Max will be delivered in 2008.

