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GLNG Curtis Island plant records milestones

Construction of Santos GLNG's two-train liquefaction plant and export facility on Curtis Island is proceeding to program with a series of significant milestones recorded this week.

On Tuesday, 28 May, the first four of 111 prefabricated steel structures arrived at Curtis Island from Santos GLNG's module yard in Batangas, Philippines for unloading at the site's cargo berth for installation.

Also on Tuesday, two cold box units were installed in Train 2, joining a 591-tonne carbon dioxide absorber that was installed within the past week.

A 2,000-strong workforce is currently constructing Santos GLNG's facilities on Curtis Island. Once complete, the plant will convert coal seam gas (CSG) to liquefied natural gas (LNG) and prepare it for export to international markets from 2015.

Santos Vice President Downstream GLNG Rod Duke said progress was intensive on Curtis Island with teams reaching week-on-week construction milestones.

"Construction has well and truly ramped up across all of our sites as we ready our project for first LNG in 2015," Mr Duke said.

"The safe arrival of our first modules from Batangas is something multiple teams across various locations have been working towards for many months. A further 100-plus modules will soon arrive from the yard.

"It's also pretty exciting to see both Train 1 and Train 2 take shape with cold boxes and carbon dioxide absorbers now installed on each.

"With the cold boxes weighing 900 tonnes each, and each absorber standing at 10 stories high, these are important pieces of kit and successful installation is no mean feat," Mr Duke said.

Progress will continue on Curtis Island when Santos GLNG raises the roof on one of its LNG storage tanks using low pressure air, during the third quarter 2013.

The two storage tanks, built to store 140,000m³ each of liquefied gas on Curtis Island before loading onto special LNG ships for export, will each stand at a height of 39 metres when completed.

About the Santos GLNG Project

The Santos GLNG Project is a multi-billion dollar venture to convert coal seam natural gas (CSG) to liquefied natural gas (LNG) for export to global markets. It represents a major investment in a cleaner energy source for the future.

The project involves the development of gas fields in the Bowen and Surat Basins, the construction of a 420 kilometre underground gas transmission pipeline, and a two-train LNG processing facility on Curtis Island at Gladstone.

The project is a joint venture between Santos and three of the world's largest energy companies, PETRONAS, Total and KOGAS.



First prefabricated steel modules arriving from Batangas, Philippines – [click here for high res image](#)



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Train 2 carbon dioxide absorber rising in to position – [click here for high res image](#)



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Train 2 cold boxes installed – [click here for high res image](#)