**REGANOSA'S TERMINAL RECEIVES THE FIRST LNG LOAD THAT YAMAL'S LIQUEFIED PLANT (SIBERIA) EXPORTS FOR CONTINENTAL EUROPE**

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The first load of LNG that is received from the Siberian peninsula of Yamal to be consumed in continental Europe has been downloaded since yesterday in Reganosa's terminal, located in the port of Ferrol (Spain). This operation signs Galicia (Northwest of Spain) as the best place to get the exportations from the recently opened liquefied plant in the Russian Artic, from which 16'5 million tonnes of LNG could be exported at the most per year. Reganosa's terminal is the closest from Yamal among the ones which operate in the Iberian peninsula.

The start in December of Yamal's liquefied plant is a great international milestone in the energy industry, for two reasons: the challenge of building and operating an infrastructure of this kind in the difficult weather conditions of the Artic, and for the utilization of Yuzhno-Tambéiskoe deposits. This is one of the biggest deposits in Russia, and its estimated reserve consists of 926 million cubic meters of gas. The area of Yamal gathers 80% of the gas, and it is considered the first global exporter and owner of the greatest worldwide areas for collecting this fuel.

The beginning of Yamal's project meant a massive human, technological and financial effort. 30.000 people were needed to be installed in a uninhabited area from Siberia, considering the complex technical challenges for operating a great plant under cold temperatures and unfavourable light conditions.

Liquefied gas exported from Yamal comes in a lng ice-class carrier which is unique in the world: adapted to operate in a frozen sea and adapted to break layers up to a thickness of 2 meters. The carrier travels to Gate's terminal -Holland-, where it is transshipped -ship to ship method- to a conventional lng carrier: "Clean Ocean", a modern lng carrier 289 meters length, which docked yesterday in Reganosa's terminal.

Reganosa's terminal in the port of Ferrol is essential for the correct development of the Spanish gas system. Moreover, its location in the Atlantic sea reinforces its strategic value in the global lng market, because there is a new exporting area which is added to the traffic from the USA, Nigeria, Trinidad and Tobago and Peru.