

THE PROSPECTS FOR UNDERGROUND GAS STORAGE IN BRAZIL

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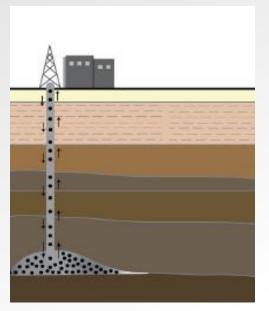
Introduction

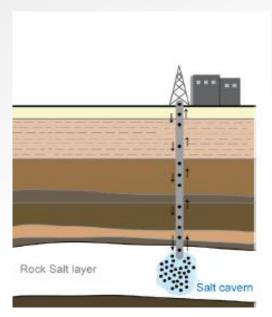
- UGS Goals
- Flexibility at peak demand times;
- Security of natural gas supply;
- Maintenance of operational flexibility and balance of the pipeline network;
- >> Tool to mitigate price volatility.
 - UGS in Brazil
 - >UGS activity is very incipient in Brazil;
- Greater diversity of agents and greater risk sharing of pipeline network operation may leverage the need to use UGS;

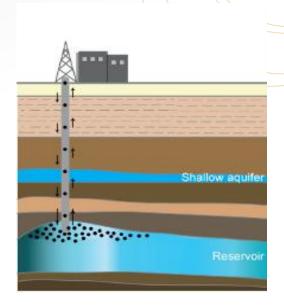
Security of supply and balancing of the pipeline network.



Types of UGS







	Depleted Reservoir	Salt Cavern	Aquifer
Major Use	Seasonal Cycling	Peaking Services	Seasonal Cycling
Description	Low deliverability, low cycling, high capacity	High deliverability, high cycling, low capacity	Low deliverability, low cycling, high capacity.
Injection	120-200 days	20 days	120-200 days
Withdrawal	60-120 days	5-20 days	60-120 days

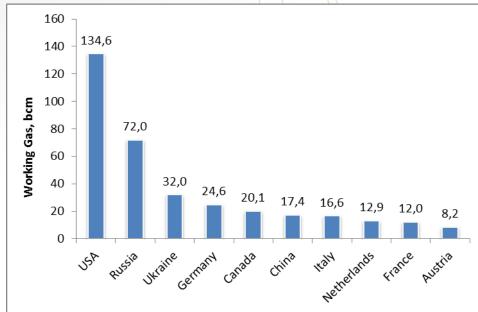
Source: Procesi (2013) and EDI (2016)

World Outlook

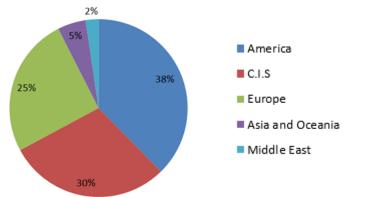
UGS facilities by working gas capacity



The ten countries with the largest working gas capacity in the world



Working Gas Volume by Region (%)



Source: CEDIGAZ (2017).

Novo Mercado de Gás / "New Gas Market"

New Gas Market Pillars:

- To promote competition;
- To integrate gas industry to power and industrial sectors;
- To harmonize federal and states regulations;
- To reduce tax barriers;

Expected Results:

- Open, dynamic and competitive natural gas market
- New market access and developments
- Monetization of the natural gas (including pre-salt)
- Attract investments and promote industrial







MARKET SITUATION

Before disinvestment, Petrobras coordinates and supplies the market

Gas production

81% of gas production ~ 100% of gas supply

Gathering pipelines

Gas Processing

LNG Terminals

100% LNG imports

Transmission pipelines (point-to-point model)

Imports from Bolivia (pipeline)

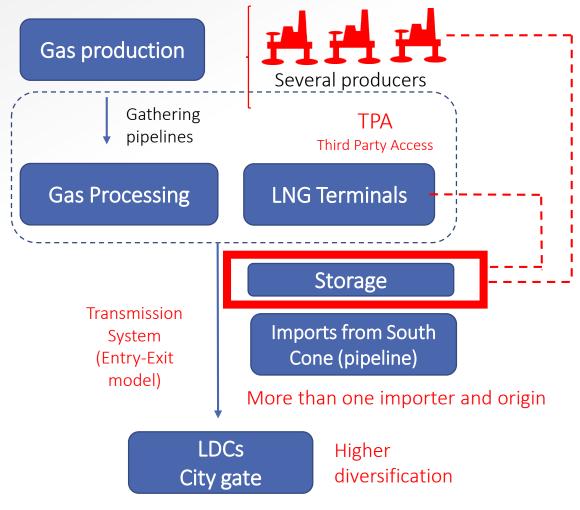
100% of imports from Bolivia

LDCs City gate Share holder in 19 out of 25 LDCs

Source: ANP 100% risks taken by Petrobras

NEW GAS MARKET

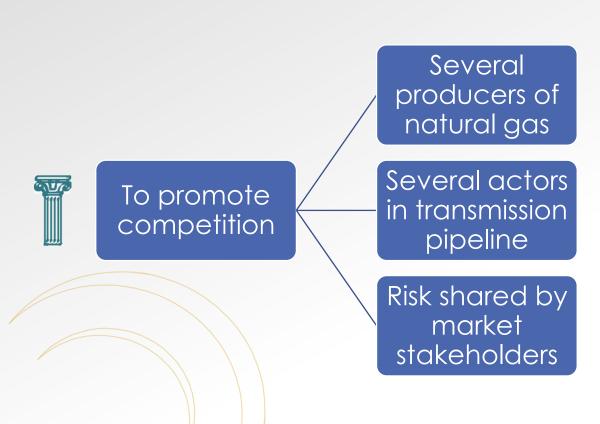
Competition vision



Risks shared by market stakeholders



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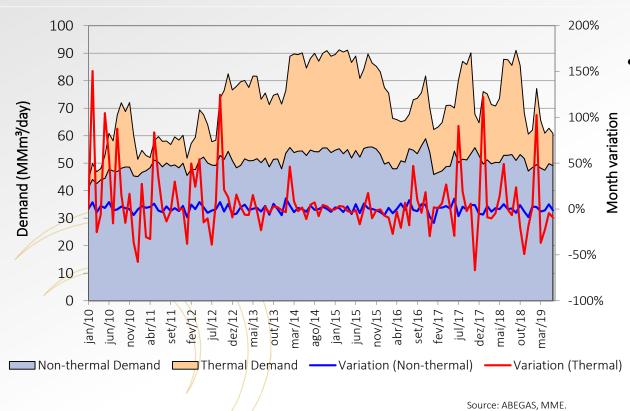
UGS could guarantee security of natural gas supply in the event of supply difficulties on the part of producer or shipper agents.

UGS facilities could provide peakshaving services at peak production
times for the various producers that
operate in an open and
competitive gas market.

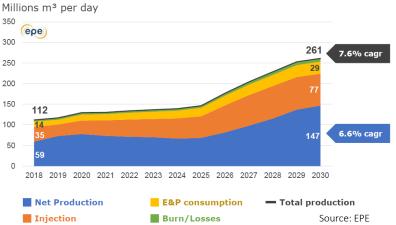
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To integrate gas industry to power and industrial sectors

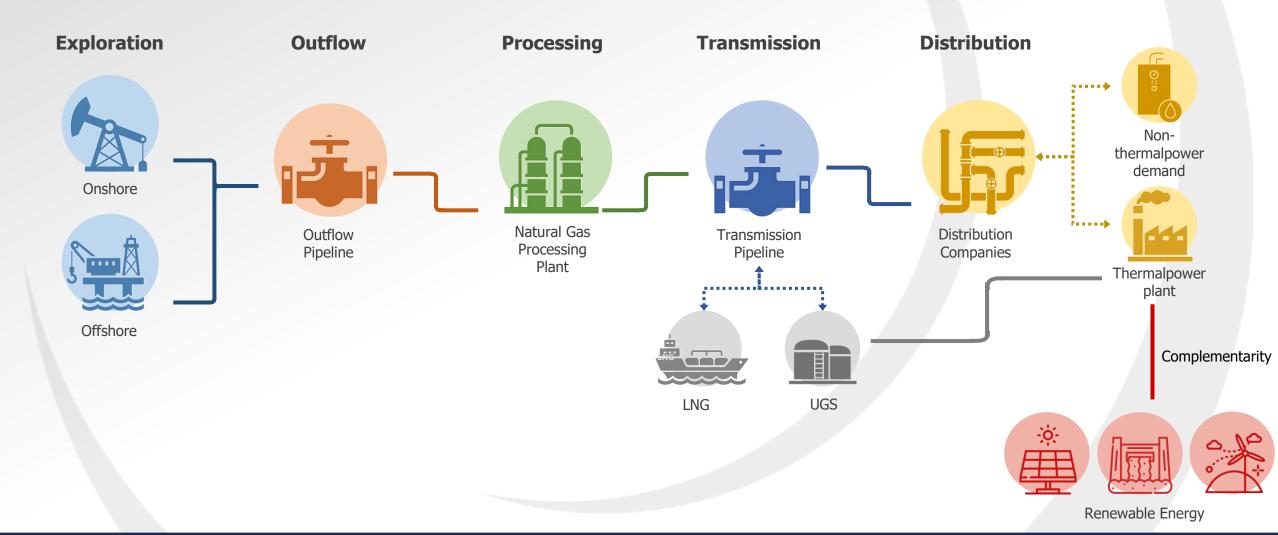


- Natural gas tends to occupy an increasingly relevant space in electric generation, mainly for peak demand hour;
- Need for flexibility in the supply of natural gas to these production



With a larger supply of natural gas from Pre-Salt and Post-Salt areas, UGS could be used as a strategy for balancing flows and providing flexibility in supply

Underground Gas Storage in Brazil



Implementation challenges of a UGS in Brazil

The concession regime is still used for the installation of a new UGS.
 The authorization regime would be the most appropriate to encourage the development of the activity in Brazil.

Law Project N° 6.407, de 2013 Apensado PL n° 6.102/2016

Today

Concession regime (Law 11.909/2009)



The Law Project proposal

Authorization regime

Principal Changes

- ANP will make available to interested parties the geological data on areas with potential for storage.
- Third party access in accordance with regulated terms defined by ANP.
- Natural gas stored in geological formations is not the property of the Union.

Potential Opportunities in Underground Gas Storage - BRAZIL



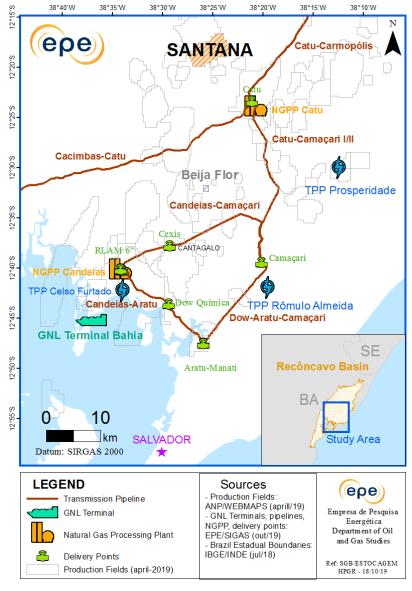
Source: adapted from ANP interest consultation, 2016.

Link: http://www.anp.gov.br/wwwanp/consultas-audiencias-publicas/concluidas/3178-consulta-de-interesse-2016-areas-para-estocagem-subterranea-de-gas-natural

Brazilian Case – Santana Field (Bahia)

Plano de Desenvolvimento Aprovado Reunião de Diretoria nº 823 de 28/10/2015 Resolução nº863/2015		
Santana		
Nº do Contrato:	48000.003692/97-80	
Operador do Contrato:	Santana Exploração e Produção Ltda.	
Estado:	Bahia	
Bacia:	Recôncavo	
Localização:	Terra	
Lâmina d´água:	-	
Fluido Principal:	Óleo	
Área:	26,93 km²	
Situação:	Em produção	
Descoberta:	12/1962	
Declaração de Comercialidade:	Não há – Rodada Zero	
Início de Produção:	01/1963	
Previsão de Término da Produção:	2025 (término do contrato)	

- Concessionary company: Santana Exploration and Production of Oil and Gas Ltda (STOGAS Group);
- The Development Plan (PD) presented by the company included storage activity, which was evaluated and authorized by the ANP through this document at the end of 2015.



Final Remarks

- The Brazilian gas market is undergoing significant changes:
 - 17 new shippers in GASBOL auction;
 - TCC Petrobras/CADE;
 - Energy Auction A-6;
- UGS can help achieve "New Gas Market" objectives mainly in promoting competitiveness and integrating the gas natural industry to power.
- One of the major challenges for the development of UGS facilities in Brazil is that the current regime is still concession.

Technical Report About UGS



introduction to the subject, besides an hydraulic thermal fluid simulation study and economic feasibility case study for an hypothetical UGS case (depleted field) in Brazil.



Technical report available on the EPE website.





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