

## Baltic Pipe: Goleniów-Lwówek gas pipeline obtained all building permit decisions

**GAZ-SYSTEM has obtained a permit from Lubuskie province governor for the construction of the Goleniów-Lwówek gas pipeline, a key element of the onshore section of the Baltic Pipe Project in Poland. This is the final stage of obtaining permits for this part of the investment. The decisions were already issued by Zachodniopomorskie and Wielkopolskie province governors.**

The gas pipeline with a total length of 191 km will be arranged along the existing Szczecin-Lwówek gas pipeline. The route will run through three provinces: Zachodniopomorskie, Lubuskie and Wielkopolskie. In Lubuskie it will be located in the municipalities of Strzelce Krajeńskie, Zwierzyn, Santok, Deszczno, Skwierzyna, Przytoczna and Pszczew.

The planned gas pipeline was divided into two implementation stages:

- STAGE I: Goleniów-Ciecierzycy, approximately 122 km long,
- STAGE II: Ciecierzycy-Lwówek, approximately 69 km long,

The decision of the governor was issued for both stages.

*- Owing to good cooperation with province governors we managed to obtain, in the first two months of this year, most of the permits necessary to start construction works on the shore section of Baltic Pipe. The tender procedure for selecting the contractor and investor supervision for this section is at an advanced stage - said Tomasz Stępień, President of GAZ-SYSTEM.*

The purpose of this investment is to increase the volume of gas offtake from the Baltic Pipe submarine gas pipeline and the LNG Terminal in Świnoujście. It will have an impact on free transport of gas to the southern regions of Poland through the connection to the North-South Gas Corridor.

*GAZ-SYSTEM plays a strategic role in the Polish economy. We are responsible for natural gas transmission and operate the most important gas pipelines in Poland. As part of the 2015-2025 investment programme, GAZ-SYSTEM plans to build over 2000 km of new gas pipelines in western, southern and eastern parts of Poland. Further development of the national transmission network, including the construction of new gas pipelines making part of the North-South Gas Corridor, as well as the construction of interconnections with the neighbouring countries, will strengthen Poland's energy security and make an important contribution to the development of the European transmission system.*

*The Company is implementing one of the most important infrastructural projects in Poland – the Baltic Pipe project, which consists in the construction of a bidirectional offshore gas pipeline connecting Poland and Denmark and the expansion of the local transmission network.*

*GAZ-SYSTEM also owns Polskie LNG, the operator of the President Lech Kaczyński's LNG Terminal in Świnoujście.*

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