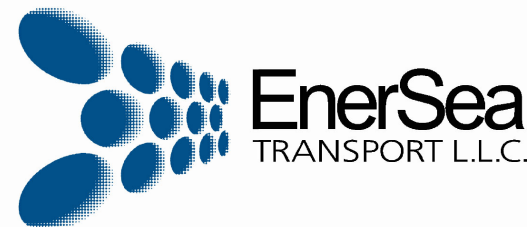
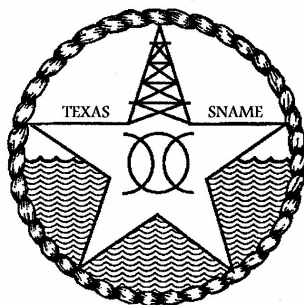
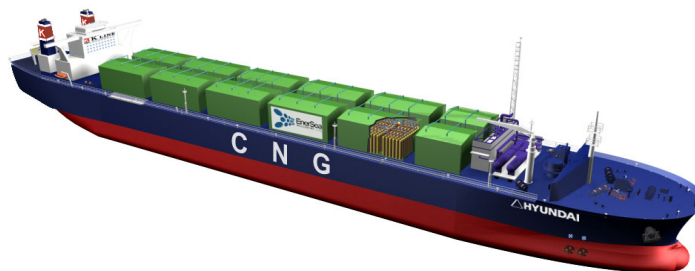




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# Designing Ships for an Innovative Gas Transport Industry



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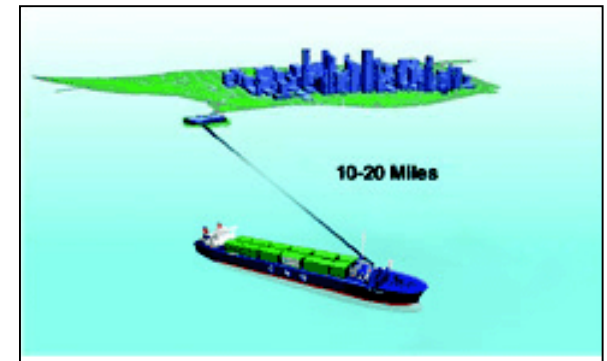
# Energy Priorities

## Drive Regulatory Acceptance

### U.S. Maritime Transport Security Act of 2002

Promotes transportation and delivery of CNG to Offshore Gas Ports

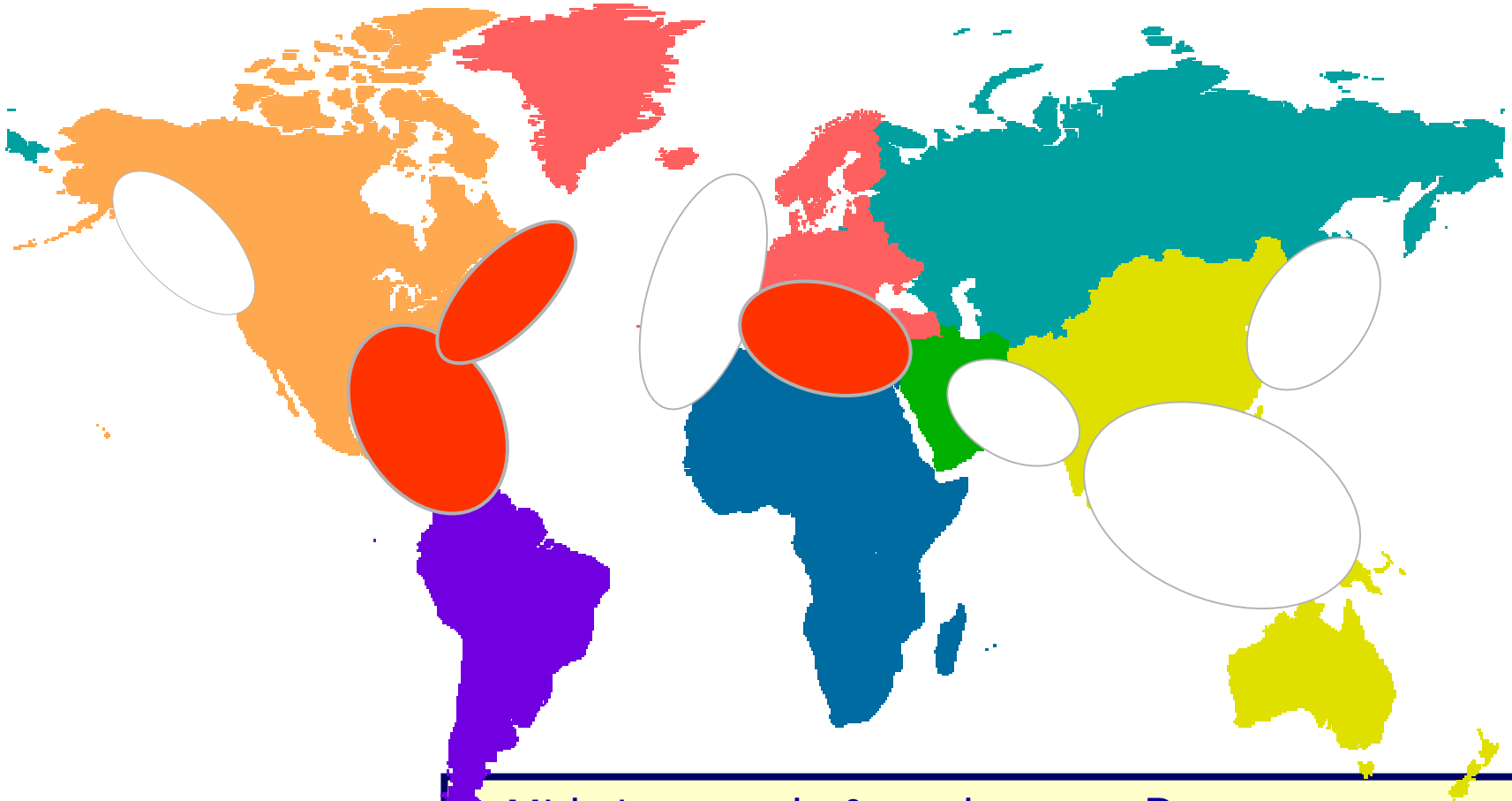
- ✓ USCG developing rules for Offshore Gas Ports [2 port applications under review]
- ✓ NPC Natural Gas Study – CNG supply
- ✓ MMS/Industry performing DWGOM stranded gas study
- ✓ USCG Concept Review process – started



Increased security  
and access

# Global Applications

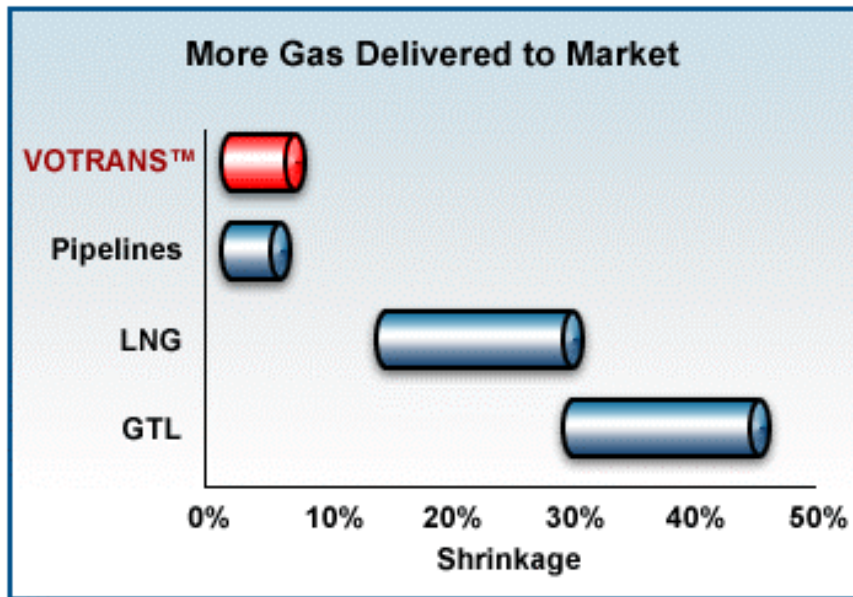
## *The World Needs CNG*



- Mid size supply & markets
- Medium haul
- Dynamic supply sources
- Emerging gas economies
- Deepwater
- Associated gas
- Risky areas
- Fast track projects

# *CNG – A conscientious decision*

## Conserving Resources

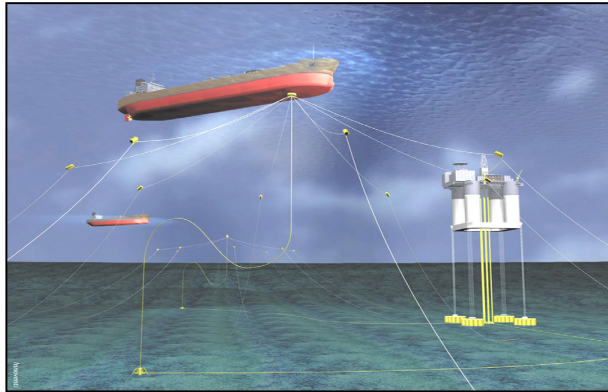


- Less Waste
- Lower Emissions

Gas Re-injection/Recycling while waiting for a pipeline will incur additional losses of at least 5%

# *VOTRANS System Overview*

## Complete Gas Delivery System



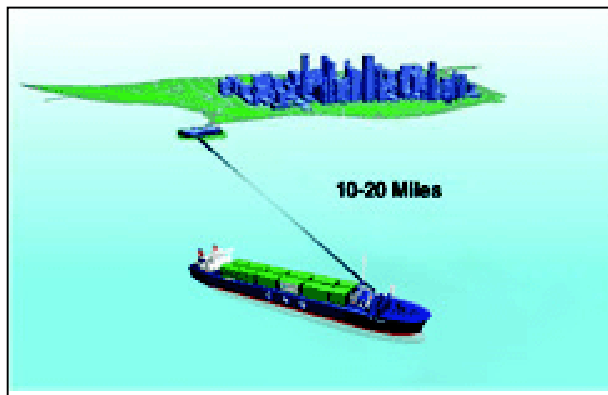
- Loading Facilities

- Subsea flowline
- Flexible riser
- Loading buoy(s)



- VOTRANS Vessels

- Chilling
- Containment
- Gas handling



- Delivery Facilities

- Offloading buoy
- Riser
- Subsea flowline
- VOLANDS Storage

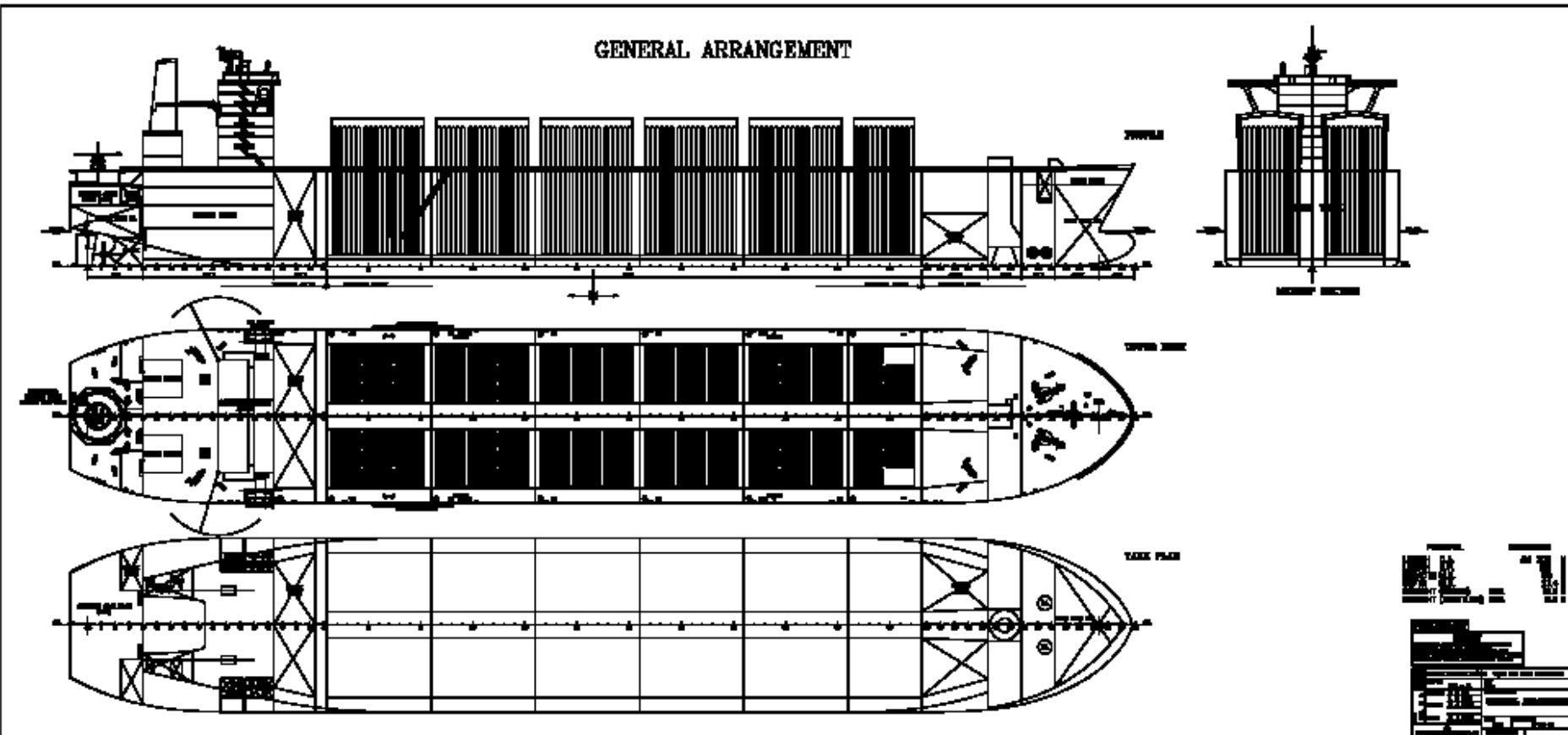
# *EnerSea's Volume-Optimized CNG Technology*

## What is different?

- **Proprietary gas storage optimization:**
  - Optimize pressures & temperatures
  - Half the storage pressure (*<1900psi v. 3000–3600 psi*)
  - Lower steel weight
- **Low cost, widely available materials:**
  - Straight, High-Strength carbon steel pipe
  - No exotic materials
  - Proven fabrication and construction techniques
- **Proprietary gas handling technology:**
  - Supports transport of rich/associated gas
  - Very low residual, or 'heel', volume ( $\pm 1\%$  vs. 6–10%)
  - Manages pressure & temperature dynamics

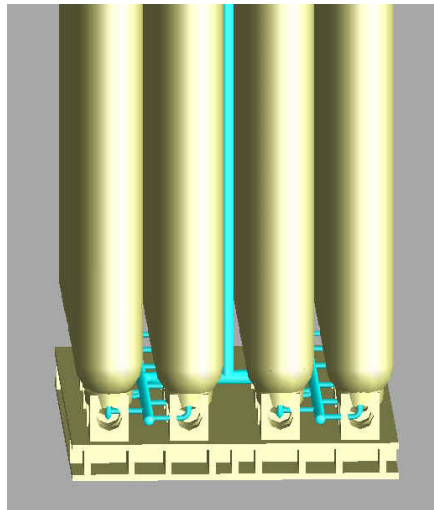
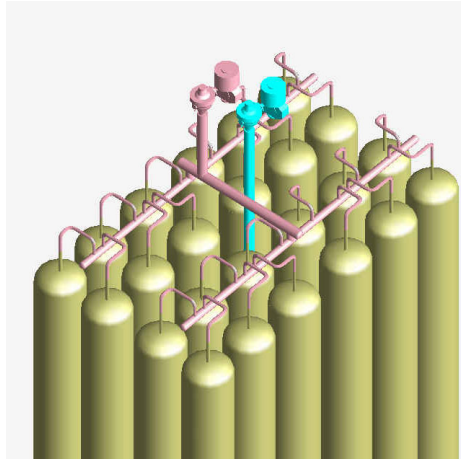
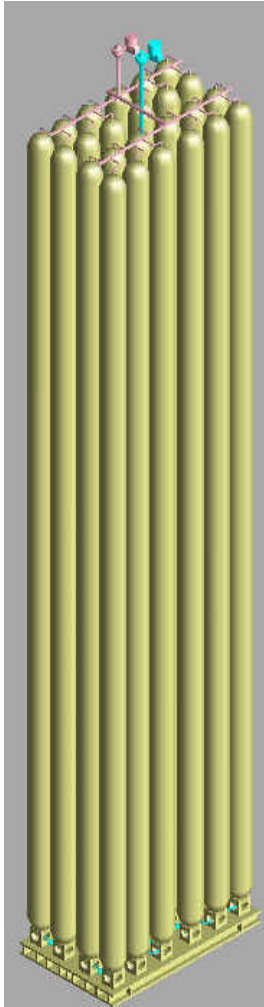
# *Constructible Design*

## General Arrangement



Length, LOA	306.0 m	Full load draft	10.2 m
Beam, B	50.0 m	Lightship draft	7.5 m
		Ship Speed	18 knots

# *Segregated Storage* Pipe Tank Modules



**Top and Bottom Manifolds allow complete evacuation of cargo**

Gas Volume: 700 MMscf  
(20 MMscm)

Operating Temp:  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$

Operating Press:  $<130$  bar

Tank Height: 36 m

Pipe Tank Module: 24 pipes

Modules per ship: 100

Cylinders can be designed in  
accordance with ASME Sect VIII  
Div 3



# ABS Approval in Principle

*Granted to EnerSea on April 22, 2003*

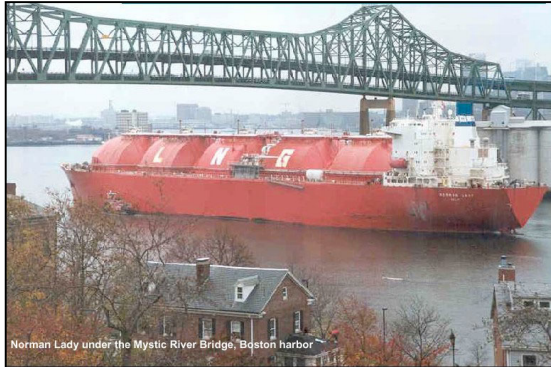
**AIP is a process by which ABS determines:**

- Novel concept design complies with intent of ABS Rules
- International standards as applicable – IGC code
- The design concept is subject to conditions to be met during final design and project development (including test programs)
- Relies on risk assessment similar to IMO FSA

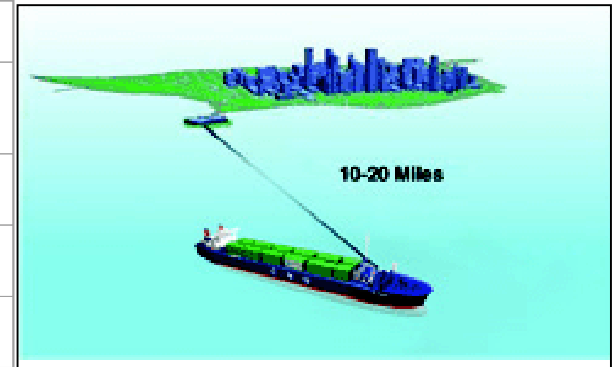
**Provides a “Road Map” for achieving Class**

# CNG vs. LNG

## *Comparative Risk Assessment*



LNG	CNG
Liquefaction	Compression and Refrigeration
Loading	Loading
Port Departure	Buoy Departure
Transit	Transit
Port Arrival	Buoy Arrival
Discharging	Discharging
Regasification	Decompression



### Workshop/Study CONCLUSIONS:

- CNG and LNG have the same order of risk overall
- CNG is found to have a slight risk management advantage, since all risks are kept offshore

# New GAS Ship Concept Must be Robust and Safe

VOTRANS development is following IMO 's

**Formal Safety Assessment**  
to prove acceptability under  
Class rules & the IGC code

- HAZID & HAZOP Assessment
- Comparative Risk Assessment
- Deal with IGC as guide

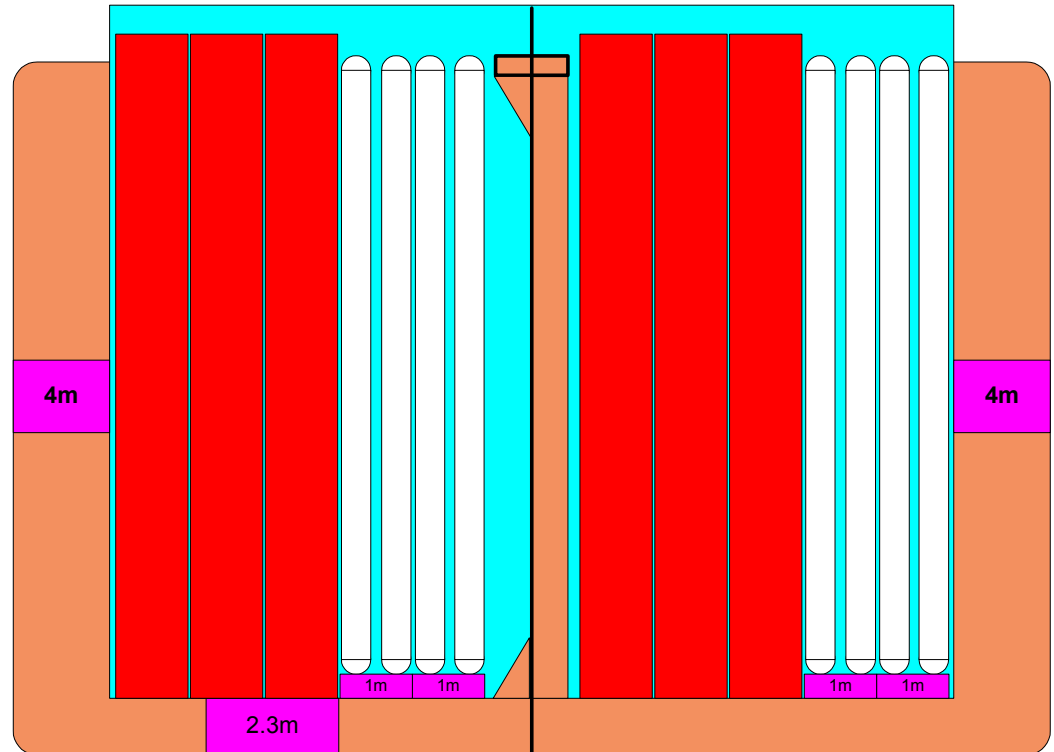
# Gas Ship Design Drivers

## Driving Factors

- Cargo Capacity
- Cargo Density
- Tank Heights/Weights
- Construction Draft(s)
- Operating Lightship Draft
- Wing Tank widths
- Double-bottom height

## Secondary

- *Facilities Payload & Area*
- *Speed*



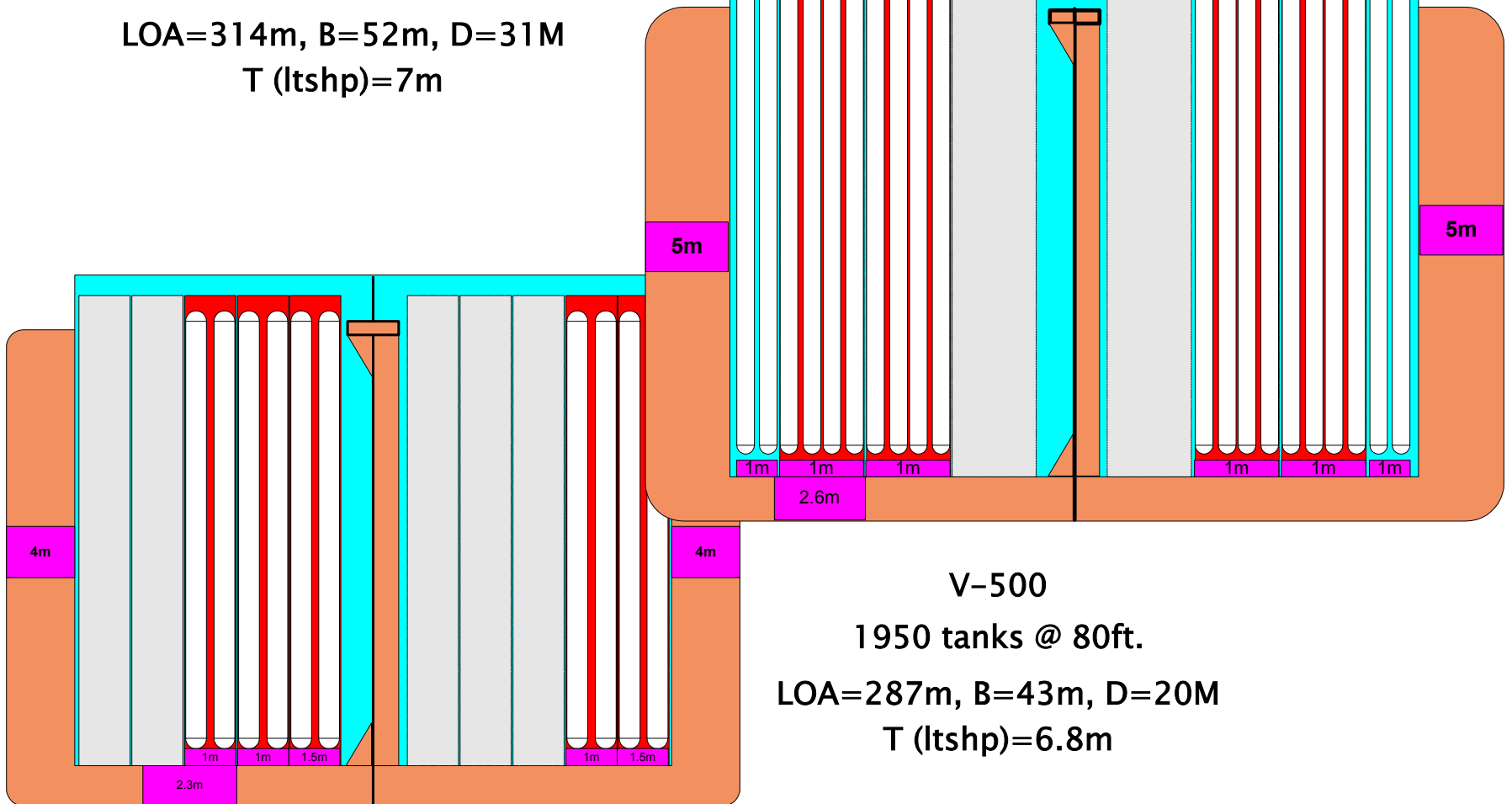
# Perspectives on the Size Range

V-1000

2600 tanks @ 120ft.

LOA=314m, B=52m, D=31M

T (ltshp)=7m



# Volume–Optimized CNG Carrier Design

## *Ready for Projects!*

- ✓ Legislation has opened the way for US projects
- ✓ International Institute for Marine CNG sanctioned
- ✓ International Design & Delivery Schedule developed with Capital and Operating Costs
- ✓ Approval in Principle by ABS
- ✓ CNG Carrier Rules issued by DNV & pending from ABS classification societies.
- ✓ Jones Act Design Variant (GPSS) in progress
- ✓ USCG Concept Review – in process

# *Innovative EnerSea DW Application*

## **Gas Production Storage and Shuttling Unit (GPSS)**

**Operator-driven  
Commenced Nov. 2003**

- “Direct-to-Ship”
- Field operations & production support
- Gas storage
- Gas transport

*Eliminates need for  
expensive deepwater  
pipelines and other  
production systems*

