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History, trends and prospects for LNG shipping

ABSTRACT

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WORLD GAS GENERAL FACTS



NATURAL GAS : SOME FIGURES

- **WORLD GAS RESERVES 2010 : 187 Trillion m³**
- **WORLD GAS RESERVES 2000 : 154 Trillion m³**
(~20% increase of global reserves in 10 years)
- **MIDDLE EAST RESERVES 2010 : 76 Trillion m³**

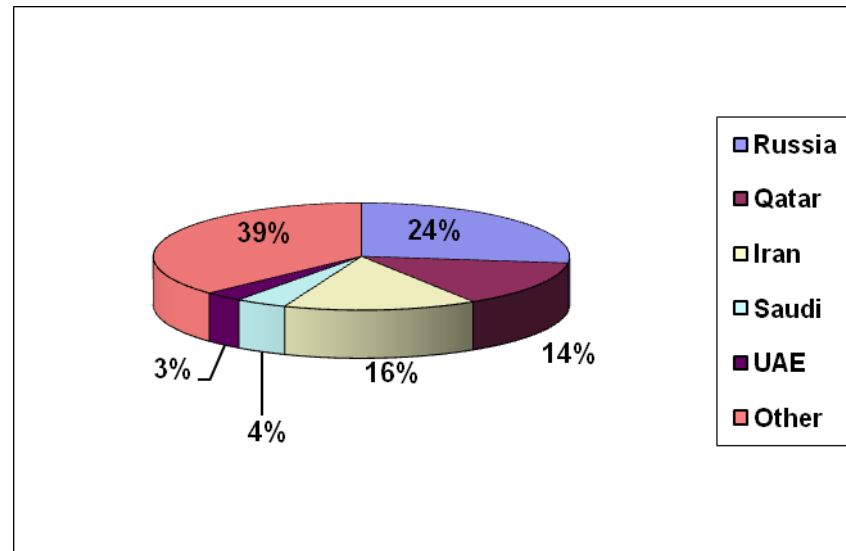
- **WORLD GAS PRODUCTION 2010 : 3.19 Trillion m³**
- **WORLD GAS PRODUCTION 2000 : 2.41 Trillion m³**
(~30% increase of global production in 10 years)
- **MIDDLE EAST PRODUCTION : 0.46Trillion m³**

(Source :BP Statistics 2011)



WORLD GAS RESERVES

- World gas reserves: **187 Tm³ (6621 TCF)**
- **40%** of the reserves in Middle-East
- **53%** of the reserves in Iran, Russia, Qatar
- Between 1990 and 2010, Middle-East reserves have increased by a factor **2**

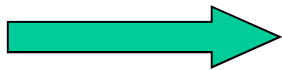




WORLD GAS PRODUCTION

- **2010 WORLD GAS PRODUCTION :** **3193 billion m3**
- **2010 WORLD INTERNATIONAL TRADE:** **975 billion m3**
(~30%)

» **678 billion m3 by pipe** **70% pipeline**
» **298 billion m3 by ship** **30% LNG carriers**



In 2010, around 9% of the gas produced in the world have been transported by ship corresponding to 483 million m3 of gas under liquid form (~600 times less)



LNG Shipping Brief History



HISTORY OF LNG SHIPPING (1/2)

1958: 1st tanker shipment of LNG (Lake Charles, USA - Canvey Island, UK)

1964: 1st commercial trade to deliver Algerian gas to the UK and France.

By 1969: three more trades (Algeria - France, Libya - Italy & Spain, Alaska – Japan, *the 1st Pacific project*)

Development of the **Atlantic LNG market (mainly Europe and US)** coincided with:

- Oil price shock in 1973
- Nationalisation of IOCs' concession areas
- Restructuring of the N. American gas industry



LNG imports into Europe continued to increase, but the North American trade nearly collapsed

HISTORY OF LNG SHIPPING (2/2)

In the 1980s LNG trade shifted to the Pacific as Korea & Taiwan joined Japan as importers

From 1996: Atlantic Basin market began to increase in relative size (Spain France, UK, USA)

From 2000: growth 7-10% p.a., boosted by exports from **Qatar**, Indonesia, Malaysia, Australia, Nigeria, Trinidad & Tob., Algeria etc.

2011: LNG trade movements: 298 bcm / year with Qatar leadership with more than 120 bcm /year

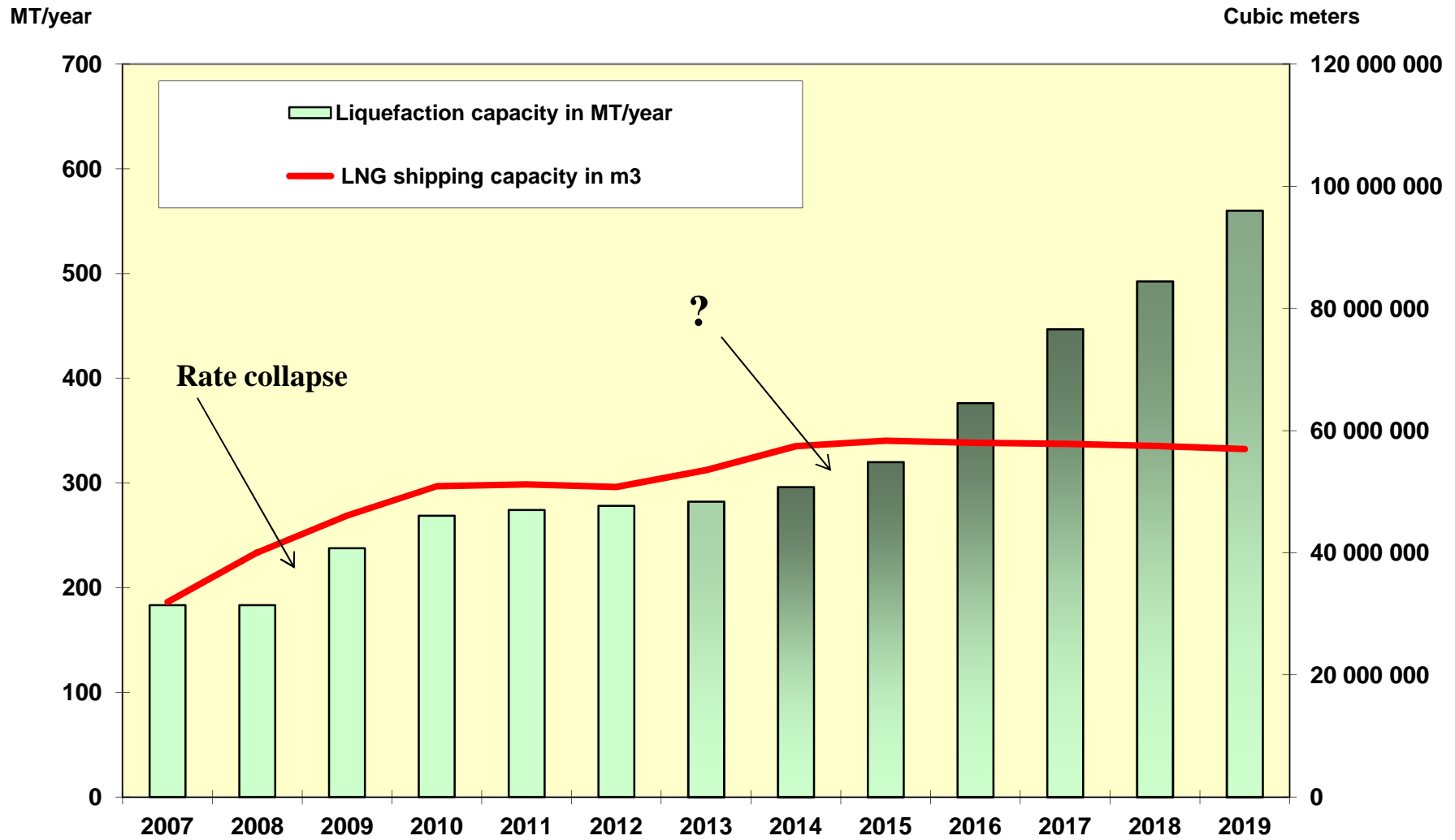


LNG MARKETS

-PRESENT STATUS & EVOLUTION-



LIQUEFACTION CAPACITY VS SHIPPING TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY Age of LNGCs below 35 years





LNG TRADE - PRICING & ARBITRAGE



HOW TO TRANSPORT GAS ?



Long-term: gas prices driven by gas supply options, economic growth and political issues

Short term: depend on storage and flexibility



Prices can be calculated on a free-on-board (**FOB**) or delivered ex-ship (**DES**)



LNG PRICES

LNG prices usually expressed in US dollars per million Btu (**USD/Mbtu**).

No international price for LNG. Gas “hubs” of both LNG and pipeline gas:

- United States (**Henry Hub**)
- The United Kingdom (**NBP**)
- Europe (**Zeebrugge** in Belgium)

→ Opportunities for **price arbitrage** and eventual **convergence of price between various markets**



LNG CONTRACTS (1/3)

Central to a traditional LNG project has been the long-term contract between buyer and seller known as the **Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA)**.

Early contracts: a typical duration of 20 years / oil, as the competitive target → **indexation clauses in oil terms**, a pattern that persists in markets to this day.

Contract prices are progressively indexed to gas prices (**gas-to-gas competition**)

A **growing short-term / spot market** currently represents up to **15%** of the total market → contracts increasingly become **more flexible** in volumes and price mechanisms



LNG CHAIN
- SHIPPING COSTS-

LNG TRANSPORTATION SCHEMES





LNG cost elements

LNG projects are among the most expensive energy projects.

4 main cost components (from the gas field to the receiving terminal):

- 1. Gas production: 15 - 20 %** of costs (from the reservoir to the LNG plant, including gas processing and associated pipelines)
- 2. LNG plant: 30-45%** of costs (gas treating, liquefaction, LNG loading and storage)
- 3. LNG shipping: 10 - 30% of costs**
- 4. Receiving terminal: 15 - 25 %** of costs (unloading, storage, regasification and distribution).



SNAPSHOT OF THE LNG FLEET

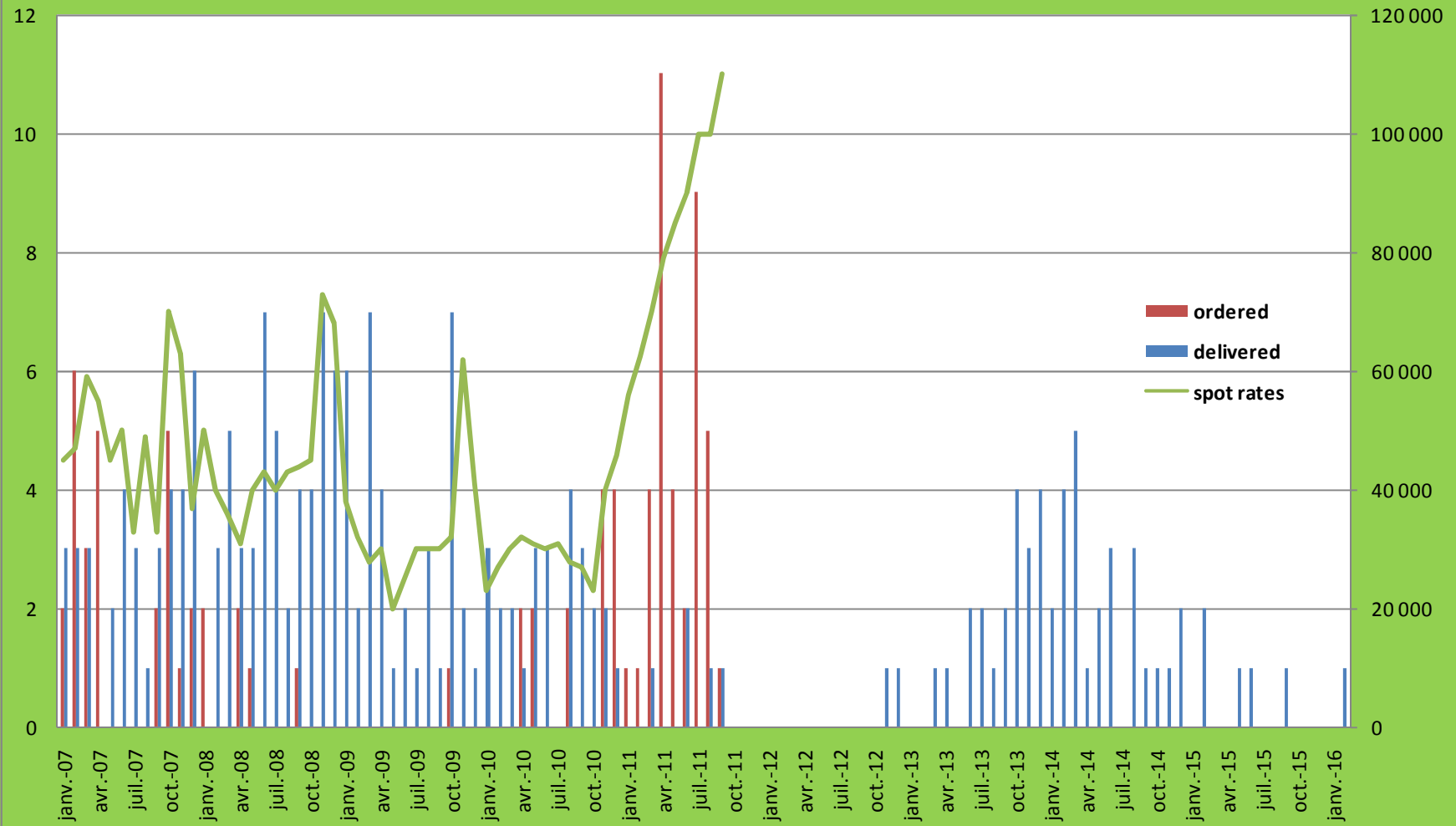
- Around 350 sea going LNG carriers
- 51 vessels built after 2001 with short term TC (less than 5 years) including 9 regas vessels
 - Less than 5 of those available on the market
- 27 vessels built in the 80s with short term TC
 - Less than 10 of those available on the market

TC rate for LNGC 25 years + : circa 70 000 \$/d

TC rate for LNG C less than 10 years: circa 120 000\$/d



LNG Vessels orders/deliveries versus Short Term TC rates



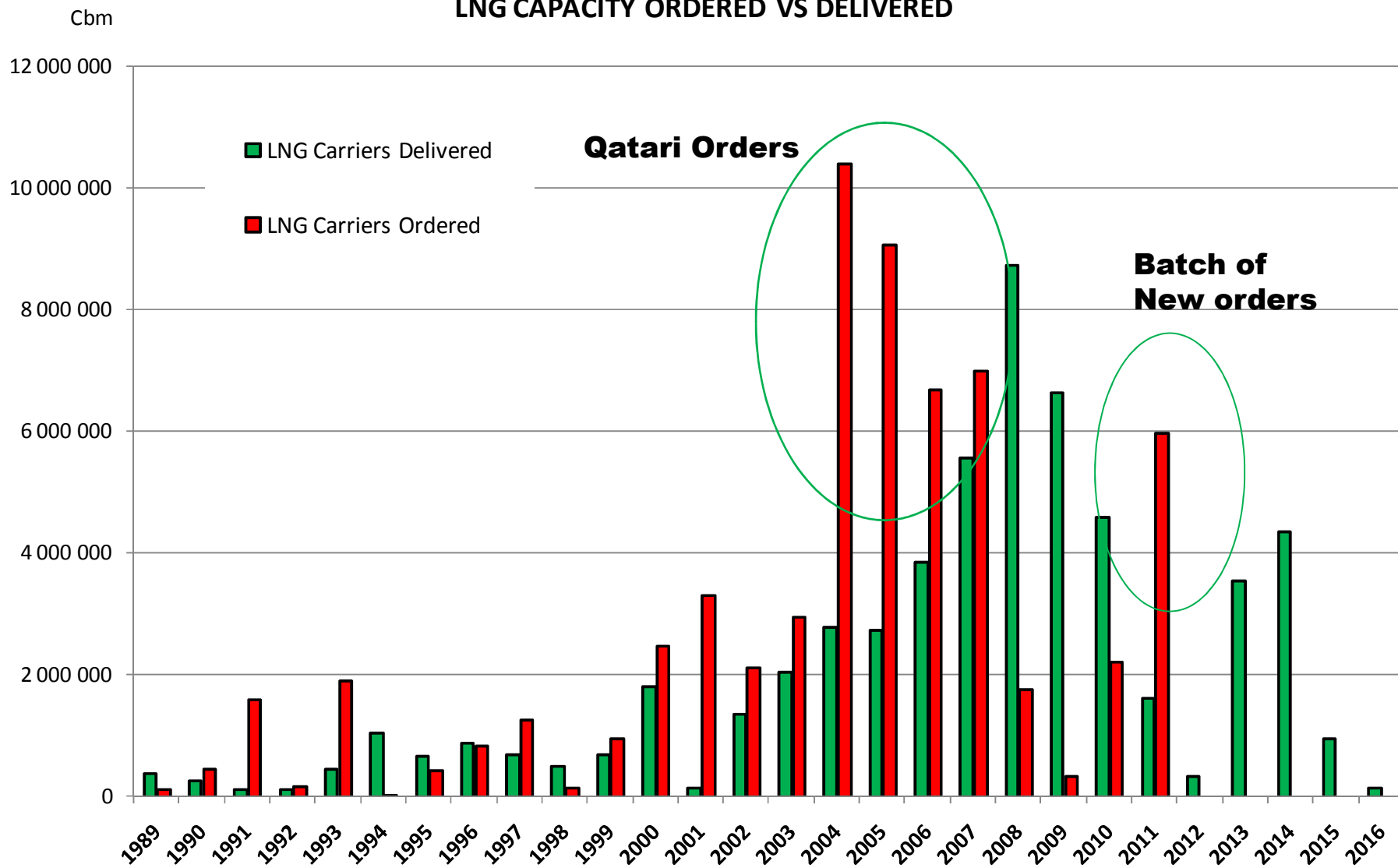


LNG CARRIERS

- FLEET STATUS & EVOLUTION-

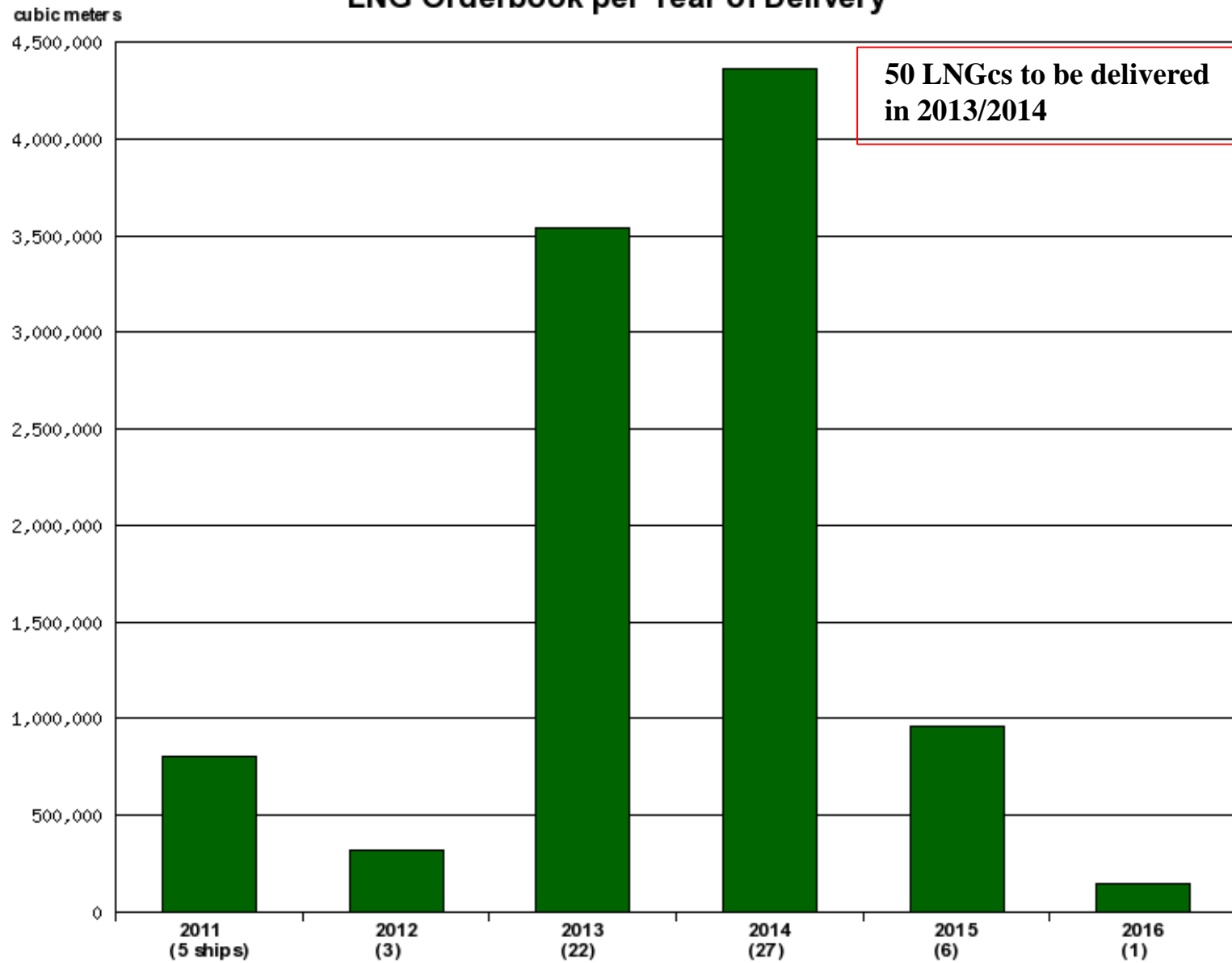


LNG CAPACITY ORDERED VS DELIVERED



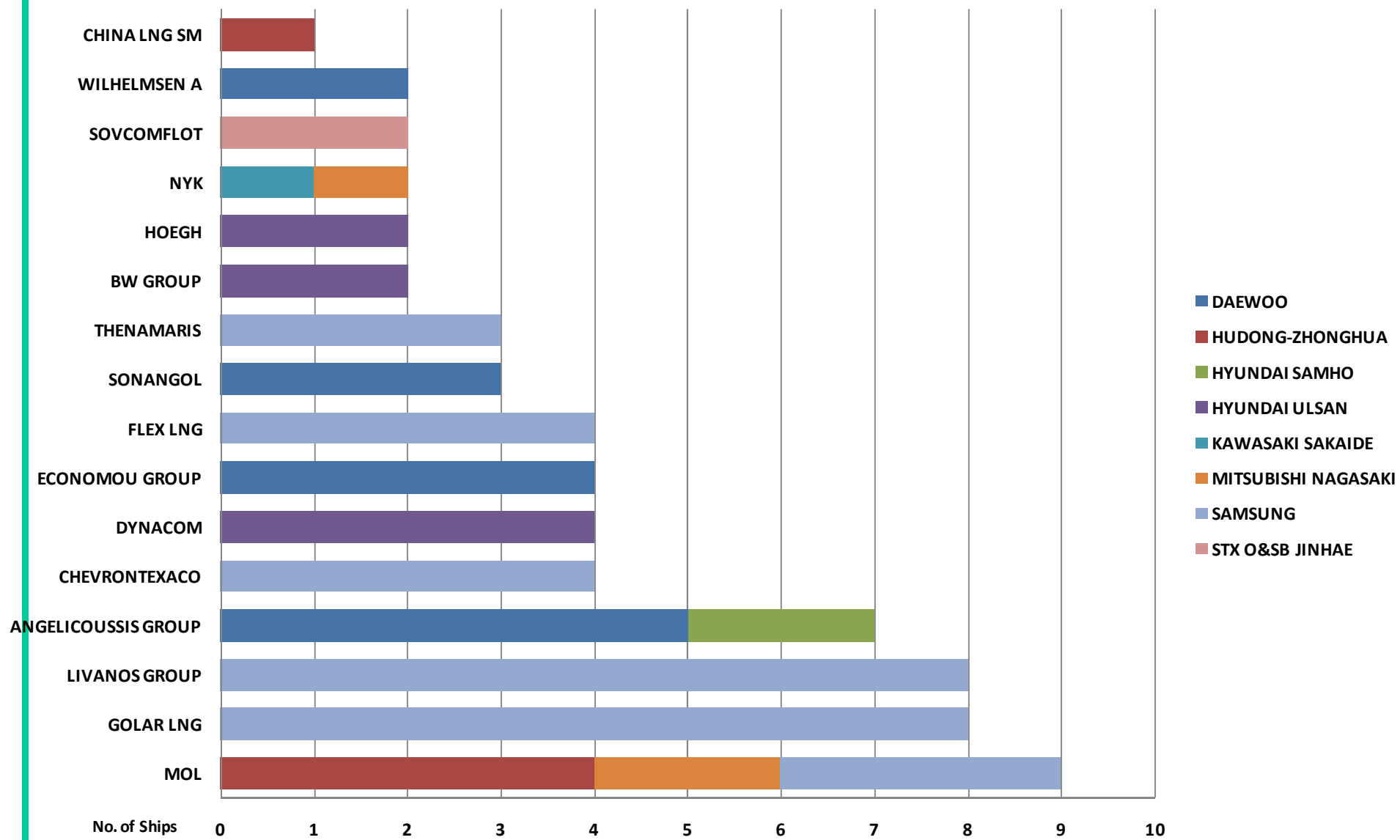


LNG Orderbook per Year of Delivery





Orderbook per Parent Group and Shipyard - 2011/09





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