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The 77Mta celebration – a grand finale to another year of achievements

As we approach the beginning of a new year, we will be leaving behind yet another year of great achievements for our Company.

In November, we successfully started producing LNG from Train 6 following a safe, smooth and uninterrupted start-up. Congratulations to all of us and well done to the Expansion Start-Up team who led this challenging task and all the other teams that provided excellent support. With Train 6 up and running and the imminent start of production from Train 7, the Qatargas 3&4 project personnel have started demobilizing. On behalf of Qatargas, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all of them for their hard work and professionalism in bringing this enormous project to fruition.

The planned maintenance shutdowns carried out on three of our LNG trains were also among our major achievements in 2010. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the teams involved in executing these shutdowns safely and successfully. I am delighted to say that all the shutdown-related activities were carried out without any lost time injuries.

As we prepare to start up Train 7, the last of our mega trains, there is still a lot of

activity going on at our plant site. I would like to remind all of you once again to continue to be focused on safety – both yours and of those around you. I recently had the opportunity to tour the plant along with the management leadership team and other key managers and leaders in Qatargas. We were impressed with what we saw and truly appreciate the effort it takes from the people on site to keep things running as efficiently as they do.

By now, most of you who had been working at various locations in Doha will have moved to our brand new offices in Navigation Tower. By the end of the year, all Qatargas employees in Doha will be based in this new facility. This will undoubtedly enable better communications between the various departments, significantly increasing our productivity as an organization.

The Administration Group, particularly the General Services and IT departments deserve a special note of appreciation for facilitating the smooth relocation of employees to the new premises.

We are now only a few days away from the 77 Mta celebration. Under the guidance and leadership of HE Abdulla Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, the Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy & Industry, we are proud of Qatargas' contribution towards achieving the vision of His Highness the Emir for the State of Qatar to achieve LNG production capacity of 77 million tonnes per annum (Mta).

In 2011, Qatargas will enter a new phase as we complete our transition from projects to operating company. I am counting on your continued support and commitment as we move ahead towards realizing our vision of being the world's premier LNG company. ■

KHALID BIN KHALIFA AL-THANI
Chief Executive Officer

SCORECARD 2010

PRODUCTION STATISTICS

NOVEMBER 2010	BUDGET	ACTUAL	CUM. BUDGET	CUM. ACTUAL
Net LNG Production (TBTU)	47401	44187	465768	459459
Field Condensate Production (KBBls)	1634	1537	16197	16141

QATARGAS MONTHLY SAFETY STATISTICS REPORT

Monthly data (November 2010)	QATARGAS		CONTRACTORS	
	Current month	"Year to Date"	Current month	"Year to Date"
Number of Lost Time Injuries/Illnesses (LTI)	0	0	0	0
Days lost due to LTI	0	0	0	0
Hours worked this month	344,352		219,912	
Hours worked this year	4,575,424		2,762,304	
Hours worked this year (QG & Contractor combined)	7,337,728			

SUMMARY OVERVIEW

	QATARGAS	CONTRACTORS
Date of last LTI	01-Jul-02	26-Apr-03
Days worked since last LTI	3,074	2,775
Personnel hours worked since last Lost Time Injury (LTI)	23,146,680	14,339,457
Hours worked since last LTI (04-26-03)	35,482,484	

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PLANNING FOR QATAR'S 77Mta CELEBRATIONS IN FINAL STAGES



HE the Deputy Premier and Minister for Energy & Industry of the State of Qatar, & Chairman of Qatar Petroleum, Abdulla Bin Hamad Al Attiyah; HE Dr Mohammed Al-Sada, Minister of State for Energy & Industry Affairs; Khalid Bin Khalifa Al Thani, CEO Qatargas; and Hamad Rashid Al Mohammadi, RasGas Managing Director, with the respective Management Teams of Qatar Petroleum; Qatargas; RasGas and RLIC and supporting staff members.

Qatar is in the final stages of preparations for the much anticipated official celebration of the country's milestone that fulfils the Emir, His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani's vision of achieving liquefied natural gas (LNG) production capacity of 77 million tonnes per annum (Mta).

This celebration event will be held on Monday 13 December 2010 under the patronage of His Highness the Emir at Ras Laffan Industrial City, welcoming guests from Qatar and all four corners of the world.

Commenting on this national milestone, His Excellency the Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and industry of the State of Qatar, & Chairman of Qatar Petroleum, Abdulla Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, said:

"It is indeed an honour for the State of Qatar to be the world's largest producer of LNG. In achieving the vision of His Highness the Emir, we are also proud that Qatar moves further ahead in fulfilling Qatar Vision 2030,

which is the cornerstone of our country's development strategy based on the four fundamental pillars of human, social, economic and environmental development.

"Many years ago when Qatar set out to achieve the 77Mta target, this landmark was considered an ambitious goal. Today, Qatar has fulfilled this ambition and has built the flexibility to deliver LNG to any market where there is demand. This is the result of many decades of prudent planning and utilization of global best practices across all our operations, due to which the

State of Qatar has also built great credibility within the global energy community."

In September 2010, His Excellency Al-Attiyah established a multi-discipline 77Mta Task Force charged with making this event a success. The Task Force comprises representatives of Qatar Petroleum, Qatargas, RasGas and Ras Laffan Industrial City, as well as a Higher Committee that oversees event planning.

Abdulaziz Al Malki, Director, Office of the Deputy Premier & Chair of the 77Mta Higher Committee, said:

"With just over a month until the event, we are working within our communities to create a campaign that befits an achievement of this magnitude. In the build-up to the event, the campaign will affirm our commitment to the four pillars of Qatar Vision 2030, which together continue to define and shape Qatar's growing international reputation." ■



Sheikh Khalid Bin Khalifa Al-Thani with Benjamin Palomo after signing the agreement.

QATARGAS SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH REPSOL FOR SUPPLY OF LNG TO CANADA

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HE AL ATIYAH INAUGURATES GECF HEADQUARTERS IN DOHA

The Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and Industry, HE Abdulla Bin Hamad Al Attiyah formally inaugurated the Headquarters of the Gas Exporting Countries Forum (GECF) in Doha on 2nd December. The facility is located at the Tornado Tower in West Bay. The inauguration ceremony was held in the presence of ministers prior to the 11th Ministerial Meeting of the GECF at the new headquarters. The meeting was attended by Algeria, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Iran, Libya, Qatar, Russia, Trinidad & Tobago and Venezuela as full

members and Kazakhstan, the Netherlands and Norway as observers. The Gas Exporting Countries Forum (GECF) is a gathering of the world's leading gas producers aimed at representing and promoting their mutual interests. The GECF was set up with the objective to increase the level of coordination and strengthen the collaboration between member countries. The forum also seeks to promote dialogue between gas producers and consumers. The first Ministerial Meeting of GECF was held in 2001 in Iran.

The GECF exchanges views and information on the following:

- Worldwide gas development projects.
- Gas supply and demand balance.
- Gas exploration, production and transportation technologies, and the associated costs.
- Ways and means of improving the share of gas in the energy mix as well as other utilizations of gas.
- Kyoto Protocol and other international conventions and its impact on gas consumption. ■

The proposed annual LNG sale to Canada will involve Q-Max deliveries and will come from the Qatargas 3 Company. It will be delivered at the Canaport LNG facility in Saint John, New Brunswick (Canaport LNG). Initially, the supply will be for three years commencing with the first LNG delivery from Qatargas 3 project, Train 6. Commenting on the deal, Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Chief Executive Officer of Qatargas, said: "This agreement comes at a significant time for Qatargas as we prepare for the grand

celebration of the state of Qatar's 77 mtpa of LNG production capacity, under the wise leadership of His Highness the Emir Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani and guidance and direction of His Excellency Abdullah Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and Industry. The deal further adds value as it will allow us to have access to the premium North East US market and Canada for the first time." Benjamin Palomo, Executive Director of LNG for Repsol, said: "The new LNG supply from Qatar

strengthens Repsol's position in the Canadian and Northeast US markets as a reliable, diversified, flexible supplier of natural gas." Qatargas' state-of-the art Q-Max LNG carriers are capable of delivering 266,000 cubic meters of LNG during a single voyage. They are the biggest LNG carriers in the world. The company's fleet of Q-Flex and Q-Max carriers represents a step-change in LNG shipping technology. ■

QATARGAS TRAIN 6 STARTS LNG PRODUCTION



Train 6 of the Qatargas 3 project has started producing LNG, taking the State of Qatar one more step closer to realising His Highness the Emir's vision of achieving 77 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) of LNG production capacity by the end of 2010.

Commenting on this achievement,

Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa Al Thani, Chief Executive Officer, Qatargas, said: "After a world class uninterrupted start-up, Qatargas 3 safely produced its first LNG rundown from Train 6 on 1st November. We are proud of this historic achievement as the State of Qatar is set to celebrate a combined LNG production capacity of 77 mtpa by

mid-December 2010. We are thankful to H E Abdulla Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy & Industry of the State of Qatar, whose guidance and direction helped us pass this remarkable milestone."

Train 6, which has an annual production capacity of 7.8 million tonnes, will take

Qatargas closer to its overall LNG production capacity of 42 mtpa.

Sheikh Khalid added: "We have entered a the world's premier LNG Company. Our task now is to ensure that the new Tnew phase in our journey towards becoming rain operates flawlessly and that we meet our customers' expectations with regard to a secure and

reliable supply of LNG for the long term, as we have been doing with Qatargas 1 and 2 for many years."

The shareholders in Qatargas 3 are Qatar Petroleum, ConocoPhillips and Mitsui & Co. Ltd.

The first QG3 well was opened on 16 October 2010, culminating in the first LNG production in just over 16 days. The work was

led by the Qatargas Expansion Start-Up team, closely supported by the Onshore Project Management Team, other personnel from Qatargas Operating Company (OPCO), the Chiyoda-Technip Joint Venture and other contractors. ■

QATARGAS 3&4 PROJECT START UP MILESTONES



On 14th October, Qatargas 3&4 Upstream, Qatargas Operating Company's Reservoir and Production (R&P) and Offshore Operations teams celebrated a major milestone with the handover of the Well Head Platform 8 (WHP-8) wells. Two days later, the wells were successfully opened up by Qatargas Operating Company and for the first time Qatargas 3&4 produced gas from offshore.

UPSTREAM:

Upstream activity on the Qatargas 3&4 Project (QG3&4) included detailed geological and reservoir studies as well as the drilling and completion of 33 production wells. Altogether, more than 441,000 feet of wells have been drilled, a total footage of 1,036,984 of drill casing has been run and 31,135,734 gallons of drilling mud were used.

Once drilled, each well is perforated and stimulated to allow the gas to flow freely.

OFFSHORE:

Offshore, Qatargas 3&4's three 2,200 tonne topside platforms have been set in place, and energised from onshore through a special composite power and fibre optic cable. This also provides communications and control for the platforms, which are operated remotely from Ras Laffan.

The project has two 65 km, 38 inch pipelines running from the North Field to Ras Laffan to bring the unprocessed gas onshore to Trains 6 and 7. ■



Perforation and stimulation work under way on board the drilling rig, Noble Kenneth Delaney.



Alaa Abujbara at one of the meetings.

QATARGAS HOSTS INTERNATIONAL GAS UNION MEETINGS IN DOHA

The yearly Council Meetings of International Gas Union (IGU) were held at the Four Seasons Hotel in Doha from 19 – 21 October. Nearly 200 IGU members from across the globe participated in the meetings that discussed significant issues related to the union - which promotes technical and economic progress of the natural gas industry.

Qatargas is represented in the IGU via its Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) committee, one of the 13 industry committees within the union. The meetings, hosted by Qatargas, facilitated discussions on ongoing IGU business, networking on various activities and exchange of knowledge and expertise among the industry experts.

Speaking at a farewell dinner for the IGU delegates at the Museum of Islamic Art, Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa Al Thani, Chief Executive Officer, Qatargas, said: "These meetings came at a significant time for the state of Qatar as the country's energy sector, under the leadership and guidance of His Excellency Abdullah bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and Industry, is accomplishing a significant

milestone of having the world's largest LNG production capacity with 77 million tonnes per annum."

He added: "We share the IGU's objectives vis-à-vis the enhancement of the global gas industry. We will continue to participate in the ongoing IGU activities aimed at furthering the utilization of natural gas. Qatargas is on the path of becoming the premier LNG Company and along with this, we also want to continue on the path of establishing natural gas as the premier fuel. To complement all these efforts, we are interested in hosting one of the future editions of the World Gas Conference."

Following the IGU meetings, the delegates visited the Qatargas facilities in Ras Laffan Industrial City and Ras Laffan port.

The LNG committee includes two

representatives from Qatargas Marketing Department, Alaa Abujbara as the LNG Committee Chairman, and Abdulla Ahmad Al-Hussaini as the LNG Committee Secretary. Alaa Abujbara is also a member of the IGU Executive Committee. Another IGU committee is the Task Force 1 Committee (Building Strategic Human Capital) is represented within Qatargas by Abdulaziz M. Al Mannai, Human Resources Manager and Jupiter Ramirez, Head of LNG Marketing (Qatargas 3).

Founded in 1931, IGU is a non-profit organization registered in Vevey, Switzerland with the present Secretariat located in Oslo, Norway. The members of IGU are associations & entities of the natural gas industries in over 70 countries. ■

LNG TO PLAY GREATER ROLE IN MEETING POWER REQUIREMENTS IN THE GULF

Presenting a paper at the 9th Annual POWER-GEN Middle East Conference held at Doha International Exhibition Centre from 4 – 6 October, Qatargas underscored the significant role liquefied natural gas (LNG) can play in boosting power generation in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states.

The region's premier power and water conference and exhibition, Power Gen ME was held for the first time in Qatar under the patronage of His Excellency Abdullah bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Energy & Industry. Commenting on Qatargas participation in the conference, Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Chief Executive Officer, Qatargas said: "Qatargas' participation in this conference comes at a significant time as the world in

general and the GCC region in particular now needs to address the future fuel mix requirements so as to optimize and diversify them. This is particularly so because many GCC countries are now using a mix of oil and gas to address their power generation needs." He added: "As liquefied natural gas (LNG) is a perfect alternative fuel for power generation, large-scale LNG producers like Qatar can fill in this gap as a supplier of

choice for the GCC states. The state of Qatar, under the guidance and direction of His Excellency Abdullah Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and Industry, is fast approaching a big milestone in this regard which is the capacity to produce 77 million tons per annum of LNG which will definitely be an advantage for the entire GCC region." Presenting the paper, titled "Addressing the Power Generation Needs of a Growing

GCC Economy," Ahmed Al Khulaifi, Chief Operating Officer - Commercial and Shipping, Qatargas, stated: "Liquefied natural gas is one such fuel source that can assist in providing GCC countries diversification in their fuel mix. LNG is available in the gulf region and the prices are competitive as compared to alternative fuel sources. Furthermore, LNG provides a lower carbon emission alternative for GCC countries addressing the environment and

fuel requirements in one solution. Due to these benefits, several GCC countries have been actively seeking the use of LNG for power generation." Qatargas also had a strong presence at the exhibition held in parallel to the conference. His Excellency Dr. Mohammed Saleh Al-Sada, Minister of State for Energy & Industry Affairs of the State of Qatar, visited the Qatargas stand. Ahmed Al Khulaifi, Chief Operating Officer – Commercial and Shipping, and

Mansour Rashid Al Naimi, Public Relations Manager, welcomed HE Dr. Al-Sada. Qatargas showcased its LNG facilities, innovative solutions it offers to meet global LNG demand, reliability of supply and benefits of LNG as a clean, efficient fuel. The event was co-hosted by Qatar Power and supported by the Ministry of Energy, Qatar Electricity and Water Company, Qatargas and Qatar University. ■



Ahmed Al-Khulaifi, Qatargas Chief Operating Officer – Commercial & Shipping (center), Garry Looker, Chief Operating Officer – Finance (far right) and other Qatargas representatives at the exhibition stand.



His Excellency Dr. Mohammed Saleh Al-Sada visits the Qatargas stand at Power Gen Middle East.



QATARGAS COMPLIANCE UPDATE

“The Pioneer” features regular articles by Legal Group’s Compliance Department, focusing on news and updates regarding the company’s Firewall and Tax Compliance regimes. In this edition we cover:

FIREWALL COMPLIANCE

- What to take into account when planning and undertaking your office move
- Advice on redacting CCSI from documents
- Competition law update

TAX COMPLIANCE

- The new Qatargas Tax Obligations Policy and Procedure – key messages
- Tax considerations when travelling overseas for business purposes

FIREWALL COMPLIANCE

Moving to Navigation Tower

Firewall aspects to keep in mind when arranging and organizing your department’s move.

Most departments are moving to the new Qatargas offices later this year. It’s important to make sure that no breaches of the Firewall occur when you physically move your confidential documents, and that you organize your new office layout on Firewall principles.

Moving and Storing Paper Documents

- Ensure that you can fully account for the CCSI which is moved from your existing offices, so that you can be confident that no paper documents go missing in transit, or are transferred to the custody of the wrong personnel.

- Make sure that documents are moved in secure, sealed containers, which are clearly marked with the names of the owners and their destinations.

Planning the Office Layout

- Enforce physical access control methods to prevent unauthorized access to CCSI, for example by using private meeting rooms when confidential matters are discussed, to avoid the risk of being overheard.
- Employees who routinely handle or process CCSI should be provided with private, separate office space, if possible. They should use lockable cabinets, or the equivalent, and have adequate space to store and secure the CCSI they handle on a day-to-day basis. A secure file-store should be used for the permanent storage of CCSI and other confidential information.

Redacting Documents

Disguising, removing or hiding only those parts of a document that contain CCSI.

There may be occasions when you need to process or issue a document, only part of which contains CCSI. If you redact the CCSI elements effectively, the document can then be issued to any direct hire or secondee on the ‘need to know’ principle. Here are a few practical tips on ensuring that redactions are effective.

How to Redact Documents

- Sufficient material must be redacted so that no CCSI material is revealed.

- It is acceptable to replace the CCSI with, for example, (i) a codename (which can be used throughout the document if there are a number of parties); (ii) a word such as ‘[date]’ or ‘[year]’; or (iii) a range (e.g. ‘\$74’ may be replaced with ‘\$50-100’ provided the range would not itself be CCSI, or just ‘\$[x]’, so that the meaning of the document is not lost.

- Ensure that recipients cannot work out what has been redacted (for example, if just a few numbers have been redacted but the total remains, or the name of a company has been redacted but you can guess its identity by the length of the redacted word).

- Ensure that redacted CCSI in electronic documents cannot be revealed to recipients by scanning documents into a PDF format once they have been redacted.

Legislative Update

Emerging issues in global anti-trust and competition laws.

The items below concern developments in Chinese competition regulations, and the lessons to be drawn from a recent private lawsuit in the energy sector in the USA.

China: new draft regulations on anti-competitive practices

- China’s State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) has recently invited public comment on draft regulations on anti-competitive practices, which are prohibited by its Anti-Monopoly Law.

- The three draft regulations provide rules prohibiting monopoly agreements, the abuse of dominance, and the abuse of administrative powers. These cover commercial practices between competitors operating at different supply chain levels.

- The regulations are far-reaching and, if implemented, may call into question certain commercial practices that have previously been permissible in China, although Qatargas does not envisage any impact of the regulations on the role of its Beijing Representative Office.

USA: Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal adopts “specific intent” standard

- In affirming the dismissal of a private lawsuit filed in Texas, claiming harm from natural gas market manipulation, the Court clarified the requirements for such private claims under the Commodity Exchange Act. The Court held that plaintiffs must show that defendants have both the ability and intent to influence market prices.

- Although not of direct relevance to Qatargas, as the case covered trading in the US gas market hub, it does identify that such participants in US energy commodity sectors face oversight from multiple federal and state government agencies, in addition to private plaintiffs, including the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Commodities Futures Trading Commission, and the Federal Trade Commission.

TAX COMPLIANCE

Tax Obligations and Compliance Policy and Procedure

In May 2010 Qatargas issued a new tax obligations policy and procedure which is available on the intranet at: <http://portal/explore/pandp/LG/Forms/LG.aspx>.

Qatargas and its employees have obligations to comply with the statutory tax requirements of the jurisdictions within which they operate, and with the terms of the tax clauses in various project documents, both inside and outside of Qatar. The policy and procedure provide taxation guidance to Qatargas employees on the various activities in which they may engage.

Training and Awareness

- The Compliance Department will be organizing training and awareness sessions on the policy and procedure to key personnel and departments in due course.

Travelling Abroad on Business

A key aspect of tax compliance relates to the tax obligations that apply to personnel who travel abroad for business purposes.

Qatargas employees should ensure that they are sufficiently briefed on the tax implications of business-related trips made to overseas countries, to ensure that no activity is undertaken as a result of such travel, which gives rise to unintended or unauthorized tax risks for Qatargas or its affiliates, their employees, service recipients, or project owners.

Business Travel Guidelines

- Staff that travel abroad on business are encouraged to refer to the relevant policy and procedure and the following guidelines, which is available, with detailed notes, on the Compliance Department intranet site.

CONTACT US

If you have any questions relating to the Qatargas Firewall or Tax Compliance policies and procedures, please contact Lawrence Wright, Compliance Manager (Lwright@qatargas.com.qa), or David Smale, Compliance Advisor (dsmale@qatargas.com.qa).

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THE 9TH QATAR CUP INVITATIONAL GOLF

The 9th Qatar Cup Invitational Golf was held on 2nd October at Ryosen Golf Club, near Nagoya City, hosted by Mr. Alaa Abujbara, Marketing Director of Qatargas.

A total of 28 players enjoyed the social golf day, attended by Japanese LNG Buyers, Shipping Companies, Engineering Companies, Shareholders, and Qatargas.

Mr. Kiyoshi Yamazaki, Group Manager, LNG, Fuels Department, Tohoku Electric Power Company, secured the top position and received the



Mr. Abujbara presenting the winner's trophy to Mr. Yamazaki.

winner's cup from Mr. Alaa Abujbara.

Mr. Katsuji Noda, Senior Managing Executive Officer, Chubu Electric Power Company was the runner-up.

The best gross prize was received by Mr. Mamoru Chikamitsu, Managing Executive Officer, Iino Line, with a gross score of 78. ■



QATARGAS SUPPORTS AL DHAKHIRA YOUTH CENTRE OPERA

Qatargas sponsored a musical opera performed by members of the Al Dhakhira Youth Centre in celebration of "Doha Capital of Arab Culture" festivals, and in support of the Qatar 2022 bid and the state of Qatar's National Vision 2030. The opera titled "A Nation's Dream" was staged on 28th October.

Commenting on the company's participation in the event, Ghanim Mohammed Al-Kuwari, Chief Operating Officer – Administration, Qatargas, said: "Qatargas is always in the forefront to support the Northern Community in organising such social and cultural events as they constitute an integral part of our corporate social responsibility programme. This opera

was very special as it was held in support of three prestigious occasions or initiatives the country is very proud to be associated with.

Mansour Rashid Al Naimi, Public Relations Manager attended the event on behalf of Qatargas. Hassan Al Thawadi, CEO, Qatar 2022 World Cup bid committee, and members of the 2022 bid committee were also present, as well as officials from from Al Dhakhira

Youth Centre and some 400 members of the public. Some 70 youths and children took part in the opera.

On the sidelines of the event, an exhibition of cultural activities including henna drawing, traditional fashion display, Qatari food and music were also held. ■



Mr. Ghanim Al-Kuwari (right) with Mr. Nasser Ghanim Al-Khelaifi.



QATARGAS SPONSORS THE WTA CHAMPIONSHIPS – DOHA 2010

Qatargas sponsored the WTA Championships – Doha 2010 held at the Khalifa International Tennis complex in Doha from 26 – 31 October.

Commenting on Qatargas support to the tournament, Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa Al Thani, Chief Executive Officer, Qatargas, said: “Qatargas, under the guidance and direction of His Excellency Abdullah bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and Industry, is committed to play a key corporate social responsibility role in line with the state of Qatar’s Vision 2030 initiative. Promoting and supporting local sports activities is one of the important

elements under our Corporate Citizenship Initiative and we are glad to be part of such a prestigious championship.” Mr. Ghanim Al-Kuwari, Chief Operating Officer – Administration, Qatargas, who officially presented the Company’s sponsorship cheque to Mr. Nasser Ghanim Al Khelaifi, President of Qatar Tennis Federation, said: Qatargas has partnered with Qatar Tennis Federation during many major events over the past years and we are very proud to have been

associated with the QTF in raising popularity of Tennis in the country.” WTA Championships “Doha 2010” is the culmination of the Women’s Tennis Association (WTA) Tour. The world’s top eight single players and top four double teams from 2010 WTA Tour season competed in this event that had a total prize money of 4.55 million US Dollars. Kim Clijsters was the winner beating Caroline Wozniacki in the final.

GAME, SET AND MATCH.... ‘SAFETY’

Qatargas organized a road safety awareness drive at the Khalifa International Tennis Complex on the sidelines of the WTA Championship. Hundreds of tennis fans who thronged the stadium to watch their favourite stars in action, made it a point to visit the Qatargas pavilion at the complex. The pavilion featured a roll-over simulator which helped the visitors understand how using seat-belts can save lives in the event of a vehicle rolling over.

Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa Al Thani, Chief Executive Officer, Qatargas, said: “We have identified and incorporated road safety awareness programmes as one of the key CSR initiatives, undertaken by the company on a regular basis. We want to be actively involved in our community and support initiatives that are aimed at accomplishing the general

well-being and welfare of the community members.” He added that the company, under the guidance and direction of His Excellency Abdullah bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy and Industry, has been maintaining an outstanding safety track record thanks to its well-defined safety

policies and procedures. Printed materials, aimed at educating the public on the importance of driving safely, were also distributed at the QG pavilion in order to reinforce the importance of road safety. ■



Sheikh Khalid Bin Khalifa Al-Thani presenting a memento to Brig. Gen. Mohamed Saad Al-Kharji, Director of Traffic Department. Also seen are Ghanim Al-Kuwari, Chief Operating Officer – Administration, Qatargas (far right), Mansour Rashid Al-Naimi, Qatargas Public Relations Manager (far left) and Lt. Col. Abdullah Khalifa Al-Muftah, Public Relations Manager, Ministry of Interior.



SPREADING THE MESSAGE OF **SAFE DRIVING** ON QATAR'S ROADS

QATARGAS HELPED DELIVER THE MESSAGE OF SAFE DRIVING TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ACROSS QATAR BY SUPPORTING AND SPONSORING THIS YEAR'S RAMADAN ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN.

The campaign, held for a month from the first day of the holy month of Ramadan (August-September) was spearheaded by the Ministry of Interior, Traffic Department as part of the National Awareness Campaign for Road Accident Prevention. The objective of the campaign was to reduce the number of accidents and casualties on Qatar's roads by creating awareness of safe driving habits in the community.

The slogan of the campaign was "Driving

is a privilege... Be responsible". Various activities targeted at people of all ages were held as part of the campaign with prizes and rewards offered to participants.

Commenting on Qatargas' involvement in the campaign, Sheikh Khalid Bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Qatargas Chief Executive Officer said; "Safety is a core value in Qatargas and we value the direction and support of H.E Abdullah Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah, Deputy Premier, Minister of Energy and Industry in our

initiatives. We take pride in taking our safety messages and knowledge on to the roads and sharing it with the Traffic Department and the community. We are pleased to be supporting this campaign. Our joint collaboration will be one of many initiatives that educate and encourage a safe driving culture in our community."

Ghanim Al-Kuwari, Chief Operating Officer – Administration at Qatargas said; "The Ramadan Road Safety campaign has been

on Qatargas' corporate citizenship activities calendar for the past few years. Qatargas is very keen on being actively involved in such programs that benefit the whole community. Road safety is an integral part of the Company's corporate citizenship initiatives."

Brig. Gen. Mohammed Saad Al-Kharji, Director of Traffic Department expressed his happiness at the collaboration of Qatargas in this dynamic campaign, saying: "the objectives of this Campaign are to raise the

public awareness of the importance of road safety. Qatargas' support to the awareness programs, and education lectures created by the Ministry of Interior as part of the Campaign will contribute to reducing road accidents and promote safety among all road users."

The campaign included many activities over the period of the holy month of Ramadan including the distribution of dates and light refreshments during the break of fast (at

Iftar time) along with a pack of safe driving messages and tips at major intersections in Doha and nearby cities. Activities tailored for children were also organized during the Garangao festival. Discussion forums regarding road safety were also organized at the Ministry of Interior Ramadan tent. ■

AND THE WINNER IS... QATAR

وفازت قطر!!!

Qatar made history, defying all odds to win the honour of hosting the FIFA World Cup in 2022. The whole nation erupted with joy when the announcement was made on 2nd December by FIFA President Sepp Blatter in Zurich.

HH the Emir Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani and HH Sheikha Mozah Nasser al-Missned were present when Blatter made the announcement. Among others attending the event were HE the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Hamad bin Jassem bin Jabor al-Thani, chairman of the Qatar 2022 Bid Committee HE Sheikh Mohamed bin Hamad al-Thani and several other officials.

On the following day, thousands of people, citizens and residents alike, thronged the beautiful Doha corniche to celebrate Qatar's victory and give a heroic welcome to the Qatar 2022 bid delegation upon their return.

It was a carnival atmosphere and the festivities continued late into the night. Qatargas also joined the celebrations, with employees holding up a huge banner congratulating the leadership, government and people of Qatar on this extraordinary achievement.

Qatar is ending the year 2010 on a high note. While the national wave of pride and happiness set off by World Cup 2022 is still very much in motion, the country is all set to celebrate yet another historic milestone on December 13 – achieving a production capacity of 77 million tonnes per annum of LNG. These and other remarkable achievements made in 2010 will no doubt give a new dimension to the National Day celebrations on December 18.

Qatar staging the 2022 tournament will be a first both for the Middle East and for an Arab country. It will also be the smallest nation ever to host the World Cup. Qatar has proved yet again that there is no such thing as an impossible task. Qatar has dared to dream and shown the world that with wise leadership, determination and sustained efforts, dreams can be turned into reality. ■

صنعت قطر التاريخ بتحديها كل الصعاب ونيلها شرف استضافة نهائيات كأس العالم لكرة القدم عام ٢٠٢٢. وقد غمرت دولة قطر كلها فرحة عارمة في الثاني من ديسمبر الماضي فور إعلان رئيس الاتحاد الدولي لكرة القدم جوزيف بلاتر من مقر الإتحاد الدولي لكرة القدم بمدينة زيوريخ فوز دولة قطر بشرف استضافة مونديال ٢٠٢٢.

وقد تواجد سمو الشيخ حمد بن خليفة آل ثاني أمير البلاد المفدى وسمو الشيخة موزة بنت ناصر المسند في مقر الإتحاد الدولي لكرة القدم لحظة قيام بلاتر بالإعلان عن استضافة دولة قطر لمونديال ٢٠٢٢. كما كان من بين الحضور سعادة الشيخ حمد بن جاسم بن جبر آل ثاني، رئيس مجلس الوزراء وزير الخارجية، وسعادة الشيخ محمد بن حمد آل ثاني، رئيس لجنة ملف قطر ٢٠٢٢، وأعضاء اللجنة ومسؤولين آخرين.

وفي اليوم التالي، خرج الألاف من المواطنين والمقيمين على حد السواء في مسيرة على امتداد كورنيش الدوحة للاحتفال بانتصار دولة قطر والترحيب ببعثة ملف قطر ٢٠٢٢ لدى عودتهم إلى البلاد.

لقد كانت الأجواء كرنفالية للغاية وامتد الاحتفال بالنصر حتى ساعات متأخرة من الليل. وقد انضمت قطرغاز أيضاً للمجموع التي احتشدت للاحتفال، حيث قام مجموعة من الموظفين برفع يافطة تحمل عبارات تهنئة للقيادة والحكومة والشعب القطري بهذا الإنجاز الغير مسبوق.

وها هي دولة قطر تودع عام ٢٠١٠ بمجموعة من الإنجازات المتميزة. فأجواء السعادة والفخر والروح الوطنية التي سادت البلاد بعد الفوز بتنظيم نهائيات كأس العالم ٢٠٢٢ لا تزال في أوجها، في الوقت الذي تستعد فيه البلاد للاحتفال في ١٣ ديسمبر القادم بإنجاز تاريخي آخر وهو وصول القدرة الإنتاجية لدولة قطر من الغاز الطبيعي المسال إلى ٧٧ مليون طن سنوياً. ومما لا شك فيه أن هذه الإنجازات الهامة وغيرها من الإنجازات التي حققتها الدولة في عام ٢٠١٠ تعطي بعداً جديداً لاحتفالات العيد الوطني في ١٨ ديسمبر القادم.

وباستضافة دولة قطر لمونديال ٢٠٢٢ ستكون أول دولة عربية وكذلك أول دولة في الشرق الأوسط تحظى بشرف احتضان نهائيات كأس العالم، هذا بالإضافة إلى كونها أصغر دولة تستضيف كأس العالم. وقد أثبتت قطر مجدداً أنه لا شيء مستحيل. لقد حققت دولة قطر حلمها كان يبدو بعيد المنال وأظهرت للعالم أجمع أن القيادة الرشيدة والعزيمة والجهود المخلصة هي السبيل لتحويل الأحلام الكبيرة إلى حقيقة ماثلة. ■

