



## Regional Survey of Domestic Gas/LNG Trends

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The last several years have witnessed a shift in gas use for many SE Asian countries. Countries like Singapore and Philippines that do not have a significant domestic gas industry are importing LNG or looking to import. Even more surprisingly, Thailand, Malaysia, and Vietnam – all major domestic gas producers – have built LNG regasification capacity or are in the process of building capacity. Also Indonesia – once a major regional exporter – is looking to import. Even Myanmar, another exporter, is considering importing LNG. How will these economies absorb LNG priced at \$15-16/mmbtu? And why are some of these countries – like Vietnam with Chevron's B&52 block – stalling on contracting domestic gas at \$9-10/mmbtu while plowing forward with plans to develop regasification facilities and import LNG at much higher prices? This talk will discuss the developments, county by county, and will attempt to explaining the rationale behind seeming gas purchasing conundrums.