

Petrobras starts operating the second module of the Natural Gas Processing Unit (UPGN) in Rio de Janeiro

Rio de Janeiro, May 5, 2025 – Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. – Petrobras, following up on the communication of November 11, 2024, informs that the second module of the Natural Gas Processing Unit (UPGN) of the Boaventura Energy Complex, located in Itaboraí (RJ), went into commercial operation. Added to the first module, inaugurated last year, the unit's total processing capacity reaches 21 million m³/day.

The UPGN is part of Petrobras' Route 3 Integrated Project, through which natural gas from pre-salt fields in the Santos Basin is transported. This is a rich gas which, after processing, generates three products for the market: Natural Gas (NG); Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG or cooking gas); and C5+ (a raw material in the petrochemical industry and fuel production).

Since November 2024, Petrobras has been commercially operating the UPGN of the Boaventura Energy Complex, contributing to increasing the supply of natural gas to the domestic market and reducing dependence on imports.

Boaventura Energy Complex

In addition to the natural gas pipeline and the UPGN, Petrobras is working on projects in the Complex, such as two gas-fired thermoelectric plants to take part in the auctions planned by the electricity sector and plans to build other refining units to produce fuels and lubricants.

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