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### **Six Companies Respond to First Stage RFPs for LNG Supply**

The LNG Steering Committee has received six submissions in response to the First Stage Request for Proposal (RFP) for the supply of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) to Jamaica.

Submissions were received from:

- Shell International Trading Middle East Ltd.
- Pace Global
- Marubeni Corporation
- Morgan Stanley
- Gas Natural Aprovevisionamientos, SDG, S.A.
- Repsol Comercializadora de Gas, S.A.

Explaining that this is the first part of a two-stage RFP process that is designed to achieve the lowest costs for the supply of LNG to Jamaica, Chairman of the LNG Steering Committee Mr. Christopher Zacca said the Committee was very encouraged by the level of participation from the international bidders.

He said that the LNG committee expects to complete “the evaluation of the submissions over the next couple of weeks and developing a shortlist of companies who will be invited to participate in the Second Stage RFP for LNG Supply in Jamaica.”

The introduction of LNG as a fuel alternative is consistent with the Government of Jamaica’s Energy Policy which is in part aimed at fuel diversification and the achievement of greater security in Jamaica’s energy supply.

This first stage RFP for LNG Supply was issued on August 31, 2011. The tender opening was held on Friday morning, November 11, 2011 and was attended by representatives of the bidders, the public and the Office of the Contractor General (OCG).

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