

Joint venture companies



## **OUR RESPONSE TO POTENTIAL COVID-19 RISKS**

We have received a number of questions about preparations LNG Canada and JGC Fluor (JFJV) are taking with respect to potential novel coronavirus (COVID-19) risks, at our worksite and the off-site worker accommodations we use throughout the region, and in the local community. We can assure you that together we are taking prudent measures to help reduce the potential spread of the virus.

### **Travel Restrictions**

Business travel between our construction sites in Kitimat and all other regional and international locations is heavily restricted and in most cases is suspended. As well, we have for the past month, heavily restricted travel for our staff and secondees between the project site in Kitimat and China, South Korea, Japan, Italy (and other countries with a high incidence of COVID-19 cases). At present, site sub-contractors and their staff (largely from BC and Canada) continue their work rotations at site. We're linking our approach to the [Government of Canada's active travel health notices](#). We will provide you with updates should this situation change.

### **If Staff Report Symptoms of COVID-19**

Should anyone at our site report [symptoms consistent with a COVID-19 diagnosis](#), they will be tested and quarantined in accordance with protocols provided by local health authorities. Where possible, staff will self-quarantine for 14 days at home. Where that isn't possible, they will quarantine at one of the worker accommodation centres. Any worker or visitor returning from a named travel-restricted COVID-19 country is required to self-quarantine themselves for 14 days (from their date of return) before returning to the project site or any of our offices or a work event. We have asked contractors to manage this quarantine outside of the Terrace/Kitimat region. We are strongly encouraging others to adopt similar policies.

### **Worker Accommodations**

We are working closely with all Workforce Accommodations Providers and with Northern Health to understand the potential threat of COVID-19 on the worker population, with a focus on promoting robust hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette while preparing for any potential COVID-19 impacts. Our goal is to prepare a joint approach with operators to mitigate risks. Should a worker contract COVID-19, our response will take into account their individual circumstances and travel considerations (with the help and oversight of local health authorities), and isolation will occur where necessary. All accommodation operators have increased cleaning and sanitizing regimens, and hand washing is mandatory before people enter any dining room and lunch room areas. We are encouraging social distancing and limiting the cafeteria population below 250 at all times.

We note that some community members in Terrace and Kitimat have raised concerns about the potential for food shortages and perishables (fruits and vegetables) in the region. We can assure the community that we purchase the absolute majority of the food supplies – including perishables –

through large regional and global suppliers, such as Sysco and GFS. Community food supplies are not at risk.

We continue to meet with our project partners and with the Northern Health authority to ensure we are aligned and effective in our approach to the COVID-19 outbreak.

### **Our Contractor Workforce**

We have formally communicated to the site workforce the risks of COVID-19, and continue to provide daily situational updates, linking our collective approach to the Government of Canada's active travel health notices, emphasizing strong reporting and full compliance to our travel policies. Teams have been asked to reduce in-person meetings whenever possible and to promote the use of remote communications technologies. We have also strongly advocated that all personnel must report immediately any associated symptoms of COVID-19 to their supervisor and on-site medical professionals.

### **Marine Shipments Between Asia and Project Site**

We have received questions about the movement of international marine shipments and their crews to Kitimat. The LNG Canada team is closely following Transport Canada guidelines for foreign-flagged shipping. We are adhering to the federal government's directive, ensuring that crews and shipments travelling between Asia and our project site do not put communities and workers at risk.

Foreign crews arriving at Terminal B do not disembark from the cargo ship when they are in the Port of Kitimat (only exceptions being humanitarian and other events per international conventions, ie: if a crew person needs to see a dentist or has to fly home on humanitarian grounds, etc.). Foreign crews to our site are not undertaking crew changes and they are not disembarking from their ship for sightseeing or recreational purposes. This approach mitigates the risk of any potential transmission (of COVID-19 or another virus). Long-established protocols for visiting ships require them to declare any sick persons onboard, before they arrive in Canada. They must also officially inform government authorities through the 96 Hour PAIR (Pre-Arrival Information Reporting) when seeking permission to enter and berth at a port in Canada. For more information please read [Transport Canada's updated guidelines](#) for health reporting.

### **Prevention & Care is the Primary Focus**

Preventing the spread of infection and protecting the health, safety and wellbeing of our staff and our communities is our primary focus. We have launched hygiene campaigns across the project; these include information about effective hand washing practices and cough etiquette, and good workplace practices including the frequent cleaning of common touch points such as door knobs, handles, tabletops, etc. We have reviewed our health and medical supplies at the project to ensure our front-line medical staff have appropriate and sufficient personal protective equipment (PPE) in the event they are required to respond to a COVID-19 outbreak. In addition, we continue to train and educate our project personnel on proper protocol for safely managing a suspected illness at site.

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