



Minister for Resources, Energy and Northern Australia

Mr Glenn Corrie
Managing Director
Sino Gas and Energy

Dear Mr Corrie

As the newly appointed Minister for Resources, Energy and Northern Australia, I would like to congratulate Sino Gas and Energy Holdings Limited (Sino Gas) on commissioning the Linxing Central Gathering Station in China and delivering its first supply of gas to Chinese consumers.

I especially congratulate Sino Gas on being the first Australian company to produce natural gas in China for its domestic market. This project represents a major foreign investment in China's energy sector and highlights more broadly the great potential for Australian investment in China, particularly under our newly forged China Australia Free Trade Agreement. It also demonstrates Australia's ongoing commitment to enhancing energy security in the region and builds on our strength as a reliable and competitive energy supplier.

Not only is Australia supporting the development of gas in China, but are we also playing a pivotal role in meeting China's growing LNG demand. China is expected to be the main driver of future LNG demand in the region and will grow as a market for Australia's LNG exports. Australia will support this growth through increasing supply to China to around 18 million tonnes a year by 2020.

The outlook is clearly bright for future trade and investment in natural gas between Australia and China. Sino Gas' project will be an important contributor to future successes. I look forward to seeing Sino Gas cement its reputation as a reliable supplier and partner in helping China deliver energy.

Congratulations again to all involved and I wish Sino Gas every success in its future endeavours in China's natural gas sector.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Frydenberg', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

JOSH FRYDENBERG

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