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## Feasibility Study on the extension of the existing natural gas trunk pipeline "Shin Tokyo Line" (Japan)

INPEX CORPORATION (INPEX) is pleased to announce today that INPEX has commenced a feasibility study on the extension of "Shin Tokyo Line," its existing natural gas trunk pipeline, in view of a steadily growing gas demand in the North Kanto Area, Japan.

"Shin Tokyo Line" is 213 km long from Joetsu City, Niigata Prefecture to Fujioka City, Gunma Prefecture. The feasibility study focuses on the potential pipeline route and pipeline specifications to extend Shin Tokyo Line southward for approximately 16km from its current end Fujioka City, to reach Honjo City, Saitama Prefecture. Based on the results of the feasibility study, the final investment decision is expected this year.

INPEX continues to work on "reinforcing its Gas Supply Chain" aligned with INPEX Medium-to Long-Term Vision and make efforts to supply natural gas, an environmentally friendly fuel, in a stable manner by maintaining safety management of the pipeline system.

## [Outline of the extension of Shin Tokyo Line ]

Location: From Otsuka Area, Fujioka City, Gunma Prefecture to Shihoden Area,

Honjo City, Saitama Prefecture

Length: Approx.16km

Schedule:

Design: 7.0Mpa of design pressure and 508mm (20 inches) of pipe diameter

Planned Start of Feasibility Study February 2014

End of Feasibility Study June 2014

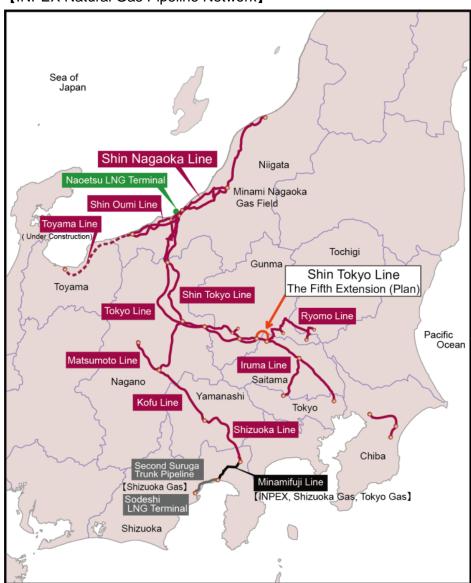
Final Investment Decision In 2014

Starting Operation End of 2017



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## [INPEX Natural Gas Pipeline Network]



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