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"Ostsee Anbindungsleitung" fully approved

Pipe-laying in the second sea section between kilometer point 26 and Mukran can start. Backfilling of the pipe trench on first sea section has started.

Kassel. Today, GASCADE Gastransport GmbH (GASCADE) received approval from the Bergamt Stralsund for the second sea section of the Ostsee Anbindungsleitung (OAL). This is the basis for carrying out the pipe-laying work from kilometer point 26 to Mukran. On September 29, 2023, the Bergamt Stralsund had already granted permission for dredging work to construct the pipe trench on this section. On the basis of today's final approval, the pipe can now also be laid in this section.

"The pipe-laying on the first sea section from Lubmin to kilometer point 26 will be successfully completed in the coming days. We hope that the work on the second sea section to Mukran will also be completed within the planned time frame despite the rougher season. Our goal is to finish the pipe-laying this year and to achieve mechanical completion of the OAL by the end of 2023," explains GASCADE Managing Director Ulrich Benterbusch.

After the pipeline has been laid, the previously excavated pipe trench will be backfilled. This work has already started in mid-October. As far as possible, the temporarily stored dredged material will be returned to the same place from which it was taken.

About GASCADE

GASCADE Gastransport GmbH operates a gas pipeline network throughout Germany. The Kassel-based transmission system operator offers its customers modern and competitive transport services for natural gas and, in future, other gases in the heart of Europe via its own high-pressure pipeline network, which is around 3,700 kilometres long. GASCADE is pursuing the goal of successively converting its pipeline network to the transport of hydrogen and is therefore active in several onshore and offshore hydrogen projects.