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## Work on commissioning the Reckrod 2 compressor station continues

Temporary use of a hot torch as part of a safe technical process.

**Kassel/Reckrod.** Since the end of September, GASCADE Gastransport GmbH has been gradually commissioning the new Reckrod 2 compressor station in the market town of Eiterfeld. The first phase has now been completed, and the second phase will start on Monday, November 24, 2025.

Individual station areas will be gradually filled with natural gas. A so-called hot flare will be used regularly during this work. This is a controlled open flame that will be visible on the site. The flare is used for the safe discharge and combustion of natural gas during the gas filling process. Phase 2 is scheduled for completion by mid-December 2025 with the commissioning of the first compressor unit.

All work is carried out in accordance with the highest safety standards. The visible flame is no cause for concern, but rather part of a proven technical process.

Once fully operational in 2026, the compressor station will increase security of supply in the natural gas market and enable larger quantities of natural gas to be transported to Baden-Württemberg. In addition, the modernization of this central network hub creates important prerequisites for the future transport of hydrogen in the German transmission network.

## **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.