



Tankterminal N.V. is preparing the construction of a third Belgian LNG fuel station in Lokeren

Breda based LIQAL has been awarded a contract by Tankterminal N.V. (Begoos Group) for the design and turnkey supply of a state-of-the-art LNG refuelling station for trucks in Lokeren, Belgium.

Tankterminal N.V. owns and operates tankcleaning facilities, including truck fuel stations in Lokeren, Ghent and (at Unidet N.V.) in Meer, where diesel and AdBlue are offered to transport companies. Because LNG is considered as the most promising replacement fuel for diesel in heavy duty transportation, the company decided to invest in an installation to supply LNG at the truck lanes of its Lokeren site. This site is strategically located alongside highway E17, the main corridor between The Netherlands and France through the highways A16-E19 (Rotterdam-Antwerp) and A1-E17 (Paris-Lille-Ghent).

After an extensive comparison of station builders, Tankterminal N.V. contracted LIQAL for the design and turnkey supply of the LNG fuel station, which will be equipped with a seventy three cubic meter (73m³) storage capacity, 'on the fly' saturation and, initially, two LIQAL MID LNG dispensers with patented heated and purged nozzle docking bay. This multi-card LNG fuel station is designed for in total four LNG dispensers and to sell CNG in the future.

LIQAL fitted its 'Micro Liquefaction' technology in its design which ensures unlimited holding time of LNG without the use of liquid nitrogen (N₂), and enables Tankterminal to provide end-users with cold as well as saturated LNG and effectively serve all truck brands that are available on the market.

Olivier Willekens, Business Development Manager at Tankterminal N.V.: "We selected LIQAL as our partner because of its hands-on experience in the small-scale LNG industry, its intelligent solutions and they proved to be capable in assisting us in all aspects that are involved in development, realisation and operation of a state-of-the-art LNG fuel station".

Jorg Raven, CEO at LIQAL, said: "We are very pleased to have the opportunity to cooperate with Tankterminal N.V. and, together with other stations that we have in preparation, get a firm foothold in Belgium. Another great proof of the market seeing the benefits of working with our company and our high-end LNG fuelling technology".

The station in Lokeren will be commissioned by the end of 2017. After commissioning, LIQAL will be responsible for technical operation and maintenance of the system.