


## CNG from CBM blocks comes on-stream

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-  Great Eastern Energy Corporation Ltd (GEECL), India's first commercial producer of Coal Bed Methane (CBM), sells Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) produced from its CBM blocks and brought to its first CNG station at Shamdih in West Bengal to a glass factory and a bakery. The second CNG filling station, projected to start its operations by mid this month, is located at Burnpur in West Bengal. Due to the good road infrastructure and high vehicular traffic, GEECL is optimistic on the sales from this station. The station will sell 250 cubic metres CBM every hour, the same as the first CNG station inaugurated on July 14, 2007. Once the Burnpur CNG station opens for business, GEECL plans to open a third station soon after.
- Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL), also awarded CBM blocks in the bidding rounds, is close to issuing a global tender to hire a contractor to design and commission a 'mother' CNG station in the Shahdol district of Madhya Pradesh, site of its Sohagpur East and Sohagpur West CBM blocks. Reliance has been flaring gas from the blocks for over a year and there is enough gas to run a CNG station with a capacity to handle 6000 cubic meter per day.

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