



GAIL (INDIA) LIMITED

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR TIME CHARTER OF VERY LARGE ETHANE CARRIERS (VLECs) TO GAIL (INDIA) LIMITED

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1.0 Introduction

GAIL intends to explore the opportunities for **Time Chartering of Very Large Ethane Carriers (VLECs)** to cater petrochemical production requirements in India. In a bid towards diversification of the feedstock, GAIL is looking to import ethane from ethane-surplus countries with matured export terminal infrastructure through water borne transportation to India and transport it further through GAIL's pipeline systems to demand centres.

2.0 Expression of Interest (EOI)

Expression of Interest is sought from Ethane VLEC Owners (sole/ in consortium/ special purpose vehicle) (hereinafter referred to as "**Bidder**") for time chartering of one (1) VLEC for a contract period of Twenty (20) years from mid-2026 (tentatively) with an extended term option available for further five more years with prior notice of one year with mutually agreed terms and conditions.

3.0 Brief Scope

Brief scope of time chartering is given below:

Sl. No.	Scope	Details
1.	Charterer	GAIL (India) Limited
2.	Capacity of the vessels (m3)	80,000 to 99,000 m3
3.	Delivery port	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marcus Hook, USA• Nederland, USA• Morgan's Point, USA• Beaumont, USA• Any other US Port
4.	Primary Terminals	Gujarat Chemicals Port, Dahej India, PLL Dahej, Shell Energy Terminal Hazira, KLL Terminal Dabhol- India <i>Though the above mentioned are primary terminals for the purpose of compatibility of vessels, the Charterers' intention is to use the vessel for worldwide trading as per trading needs.</i>



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5.	Chartering Period	Twenty (20) years with an extended term option available for further five more years with prior notice of one year with mutually agreed terms and conditions.
6.	Re-Delivery point	Worldwide
7.	Earliest availability of the vessel	To be filled in by bidder in Form-II.
8.	Co-transportation of LNG and ethane	GAIL is desirous of co-transportation of ethane and LNG through same vessel loaded in separate compartments. Bidder may indicate whether the vessel offered for time-charter is compatible for part loading of ethane and LNG. In case of co-transportation the primary and secondary fuel options may necessarily be indicated.

- 4.0** EOI should contain duly filled-in and signed **FORM-I and FORM-II** as per the enclosed formats. EOI should be submitted (within last date of submission of EOI) through e-mail at ethane_timechartereoi@gail.co.in
- 5.0** Clarification, if any, can be obtained through Telephone: 011-26182955-2719 and E-mail: swaminathan@gail.co.in
- 6.0** GAIL reserves the right to terminate EOI process at any point of time without assigning reason.
- 7.0** The objective of the EOI is to gather information and inputs from vessel owners on time chartering for ethane transportation, based on which detailed enquiries shall be floated and binding offers shall be solicited from vessel owners who have evinced interest and responded to the EOI. However, GAIL reserves the right to follow open bidding process depending on the outcome of EOI.
- 8.0** The EOI is non-binding and the inputs/data provided by prospective bidders will be kept confidential. However, in case the bidder recognises that the data provided by them is confidential and commercially sensitive, the same may be indicated against the relevant queries.



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FORM - I

FORMAT FOR THE COVERING LETTER

(The letter is to be submitted by the Bidder on its letter head)

GAIL (India) Limited

GAIL Bhawan

16, Bhikaiji Cama Place

R. K. Puram

New Delhi-110 066

India

**Subject : Expression of Interest (EOI) for Time Chartering to GAIL(India)
Limited**

Dear Sir,

This has reference to your EOI document no. GAIL/ND/BD/EOI/Time Charter/2022--23 dated 25.01.2023 on the subject.

_____ (Name of the Bidder), hereby submit its Expression of Interest (EOI) for Time Chartering of Very Large Ethane Carriers (VLECs) to GAIL(India) Limited in accordance with the conditions stipulated in the EOI document.

(SIGNATURE)
(NAME AND DESIGNATION OF AUTHORISED PERSON)

*The Authorised Person should be a Director on the Board / C&MD / Chairman / MD / CEO / CFO.
In case of any other person the person should be authorised by the Board of bidder and the corresponding Power of Attorney (PoA) to be enclosed.*



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FORM - II

INFORMATION ABOUT THE BIDDER

General:

- 1) Name of the Bidder/ Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV):
- 2) Country of Incorporation
- 3) Registered Address
- 4) Date of Incorporation
- 5) Brief description of the Company including details of its main lines of business
- 6) Details of individual(s) who will serve as the point of contact/communication for the Bid
 - a) Name
 - b) Designation
 - c) Company
 - d) Address
 - e) Telephone and Mobile Number
 - f) Email Address

Time Chartering

- 7) Name of the Owner of the Vessel:
- 8) Flag & IMO No (if available):.
- 9) Status of the vessel (In Service / Under Construction/ In Queue to be Constructed):
- 10) Co Transportation of LNG and ethane available (Yes/ No):
- 11) Period of Time Chartering to GAIL for: _____ (no. of years)
- 12) VLEC particulars:
 - Capacity(m3):
 - Length Overall (LOA) (m):
 - Breadth (m):



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- Depth (m):
- Draft (m):
- Speed (Knots):
 - Laden:
 - Ballast:

- Fuel (Ethane/LSMGO/LSHFO):
- Boil- Off rate (% of storage capacity per day) :
- Boil-off gas utilisation as fuel (**Yes/ No**):
- In case of co-transportation (ethane + LNG) primary and secondary fuel may be indicated:
- Any particular ship-shore compatibility requirement:

13) Earliest availability of the vessel:

14) Equity Participation options for GAIL (**Yes/ No**) in the SPV, if any:

15) Any other suggestions / inputs which

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(Signature of the Authorized Person)

Name :

Designation :

Date:

Place:

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