

RNG JSC Started Commercial Operation of a Field in Yakutia

On August 29 an official ceremony was held for commissioning of the Eastern blocks of Srednebotuobinskoye oil and gas condensate field BY RNG. The event was timed to coincide with the First Oil&Gas Forum held in Mirny at that time.

The field is located to the south-east of Yakutia, 130 km away from the capital of this diamond region. Confirmed recoverable reserves at the Eastern blocks are 28 million tons of oil, 14.3 billion m³ of gas and 168 thousand tons of condensate.

The ceremony was attended by Aisen Nikilayev, Head of Yakutia, members of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic, people's deputies, management and employees of RNG JSC, public men and ecologists.

Aisen Nikolayev noted that RNG significantly contributes to the social and economic development of Mirny district.

“We are witnessing as the oil industry is developing in Yukutia. Just recently it was concentrated in Lensk district only, but now Mirny district is becoming oil producing as well. RNG production is quite significant. It has produced about 900 thousand tons of oil this year. And the plans for the next year provide for reaching the production level of 1 million 200 thousand tons. These indicators will allow the company to become the third largest oil producer in Yakutia. At the same time, the company cooperates very closely with the local population and develops infrastructure here. I am sure that rise of such large oil companies will contribute to development of the villages of Mirny district into model ones,” said the Head of the Republic.

RNG JSC started pilot operation of the field in 2018. Produced oil is directed to the Eastern Siberia – Pacific Ocean (ESPO) pipeline system.

All required infrastructure has been created to ensure hydrocarbon production at the field: high-voltage power lines, central oil gathering facility, oil gathering networks, water conduits and reservoir pressure maintenance systems, as well as the network of process passages with a length of over 150 km. Construction of production facilities for preparation to oil production is completed, development drilling is carried out with seven rigs. Next year the production volume is planned to reach over one million tons of oil per year.

It should be noted that RNG JSC, an enterprise of the oil and gas industry in the Far Eastern Federal District of Russia, is part of EASTSIB HOLDING Group. The company participated in the construction of the bridge of Friendship over the Taas-Yuryakh River, two more bridges in Mirny district are under construction now, several streets in Tas-Yuryakh village have been repaired, a kindergarten has been built, the company also supplies the village's budgetary institutions with

purified water free-of-charge, and a movable asphalt-concrete plant for construction of roads in Yakutia has been purchased.

RNG JSC pays attention to environmental problems as well. The company has purchased filters for the water treatment plant in Syuldyukar village, which suffered from water pollution in the rivers of Irelyakh and Vilyuy. A water intake facility was constructed for auxiliary production needs of RNG JSC. It fully covers all technical demands, so there is no need to use water from rivers, and there is no risk of their pollution. Within the framework of the program for replenishment of fishery resources in 2018-2019, the company released more than one million juvenile fishes of syrok (salmon family) into the rivers of Yakutia.