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Corinth Pipeworks Secures Rovuma LNG Phase One Linepipe Supply Contract

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Greek steel pipe manufacturer Corinth Pipeworks (CPW), the pipe business of Cenergy, has been awarded a contract to supply linepipe for phase one of the Rovuma LNG project located in Cabo Delgado, Mozambique. The award signals continued procurement momentum for one of Sub-Saharan Africa's most strategically significant LNG developments, despite the project's well-documented security and force majeure challenges in recent years.

Rovuma LNG phase one represents a major milestone in Mozambique's ambition to become a leading global LNG exporter, drawing on the vast offshore gas reserves in the Rovuma Basin. The linepipe supply contract awarded to CPW is a foundational infrastructure element, covering the pipeline systems required to move gas from production facilities toward the LNG processing and export terminal. The award of such a contract is a marker that project engineering and procurement activities are advancing, even as broader questions about the project's restart timeline have persisted in the industry.

For Norwegian oil and gas service companies monitoring Mozambique, the Corinth Pipeworks award is a useful signal. Pipeline and linepipe procurement typically precedes or runs parallel to the mobilisation of subsea installation vessels, FPSO-related marine work, and downstream LNG construction contracting. Norwegian firms with competencies in subsea pipeline installation, tie-in technology, and

offshore construction are well positioned to track upcoming EPCI and installation tenders that logically follow linepipe supply agreements of this nature.

Cabo Delgado has been a source of concern for the investment community following insurgent activity that forced TotalEnergies to declare force majeure on its Mozambique LNG project in 2021. While the Rovuma LNG project — backed by a separate consortium — has its own structure and timeline, regional security conditions in northern Mozambique remain a key risk variable that Norwegian partners should factor into their contracting and mobilisation planning. Any engagement in the region warrants close coordination with security advisors and a clear understanding of local content requirements under Mozambican law.

Nevertheless, the procurement activity now visible at Rovuma LNG phase one suggests that project sponsors and their EPC contractors are pressing forward with supply chain commitments. For service companies, this is the phase where early positioning — through teaming agreements, local partner identification, and pre-qualification submissions — can determine whether a firm captures work when installation and commissioning contracts are formally tendered. Norwegian companies that have not already initiated dialogue with the Rovuma LNG project structure should consider doing so promptly, as the linepipe award indicates the procurement cycle is live.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

The linepipe supply award indicates that Rovuma LNG phase one procurement is active, making this the right moment for Norwegian subsea installation, pipeline construction, and LNG marine services firms to pursue pre-qualification and teaming arrangements. Companies should monitor upcoming EPCI and offshore installation tenders that typically follow linepipe contracting, while maintaining a realistic view of security risks in Cabo Delgado that could affect mobilisation schedules.

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- **Pipeline:** Pipeline installation and tie-in specialists should track the Rovuma LNG procurement cycle closely, as linepipe supply awards typically precede offshore and onshore pipeline installation tenders.

- **Subsea/FPSO:** Subsea contractors and FPSO marine service providers should initiate pre-qualification efforts now, as the active procurement phase suggests offshore installation scopes will be tendered in the near term.
- **LNG:** LNG construction and marine loading specialists should assess Rovuma phase one for terminal and jetty-related service opportunities that run parallel to upstream pipeline procurement.
- **Drilling:** Drilling service companies with Mozambique basin experience should monitor project restart signals at Rovuma, where development well programmes will be required ahead of first LNG production.
- **Service:** Well services and project logistics firms should identify local Mozambican partners now to meet local content obligations and be ready when installation and commissioning contracts are awarded.

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