

ADIABATIC-LIQUEFACTION TEMPERATURE OF LNG MAIN CRYOGENIC HEAT EXCHANGER APPLYING FIRST LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS

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ABSTRACT

This research centered on the development of thermodynamic model equations to simulate the adiabatic-liquefaction temperature of natural gas (methane 86%) into liquefied natural gas. The thrust model is derived from the first law of Thermodynamics maintaining adiabatic process operation; the model predicted perfectly the liquefaction temperature of natural gas as $-159\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, and was validated with plant data to a maximum deviation of -3.91 . This study gave industrial applicability of first law of thermodynamics to real plant operations.

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