

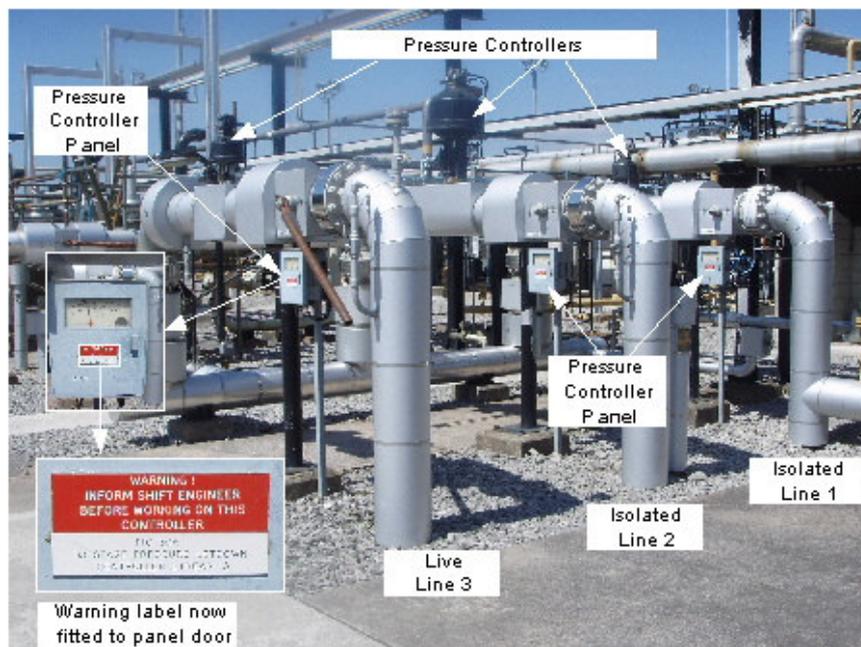
## Incident Investigation Summary

Responsible Manager: Tony Robinson      Incident Reference No: 12196/09/NG  
Person Responsible for National Implementation: Paul Green

### Relief valve venting during instrument maintenance - LNG Storage

An Instrument Technician was carrying out a non-intrusive planned maintenance activity on a pressure controller in the Pressure Let Down area at Partington LNG Site. The work was being carried out under a form of authority.

Unbeknown to him, one of the three pressure controllers was feeding fuel gas to the site. The Instrument Technician began to perform the function test by “stroking the valve” and because the system was live, this inadvertently lifted the downstream relief valves (RV 304A and 306A) resulting in the venting of natural gas to atmosphere.



### Recommendations

1. A work procedure should be produced for this and similar tasks
2. The Maximo work order should clearly state the task to be carried out
3. Always ensure that people have the required competencies to carry out the work they are asked to perform

### Work Control Documentation

- a) If items 1 and 2 above in place then a Control of Routine Work form should be used
- b) If items 1 and 2 not in place then a General Permit to Work should be used