

Aragón Regional Government's Industry and Innovation Minister visits new Enagás Data Processing Centre in Zaragoza

- **He was accompanied by the Chief Executive Officer of Enagás, Marcelino Oreja**

The Aragón Regional Government's Industry and Innovation Minister, Arturo Aliaga, visited the new Enagás Data Processing Centre (DPC) in Zaragoza today with Enagás' Chief Executive Officer, Marcelino Oreja.

The Zaragoza Data Centre, which came into operation in 2013, "is an international benchmark in terms of energy efficiency and IT system security," said Marcelino Oreja. Arturo Aliaga, meanwhile, praised "the key role played by Enagás in the Spanish gas system and the importance of this type of fuel to industry, households and the transport sector".

This is Enagás' second Data Processing Centre and is interconnected with the Madrid DPC, with which it shares data through a high-capacity fibre-optic loop running along the gas pipeline between the two cities. The two DPCs work together to strengthen the operations of the gas system and to further guarantee the security of the natural gas supply.

In keeping with the Enagás Sustainable Management Model and its Environmental Strategy, the facility has a tri-generation plant powered by natural gas, reducing energy consumption by 30% in comparison to similar facilities, and slashing annual CO₂ emissions by more than 40%.

Part of the residual heat energy generated in gas combustion is used to fuel the high-pressure meter laboratory's heating system, while the remainder is transformed into the cooling energy needed for the IT equipment.

Enagás' efforts in terms of innovation, safety and sustainability on the new DPC project have won the company national and international recognition.

Among others, the company now holds a TIER IV certificate attesting to maximum levels of safety and reliability, and also LEED certification, one of the world's most prestigious sustainable building standards. The Zaragoza DPC is the first in Spain to receive this distinction, and it is a trend-setting centre in Europe.

The Aragón Government's Industry and Innovation Minister and the Enagás CEO also visited the Central Laboratories and R&D Centre, where the company focuses on innovation and development.

Enagás in Aragón

In addition to the new DPC, the Central Laboratories and R&D Centre, Enagás' Aragón operations also include a strategic natural gas storage facility at Serrablo, 640 km of high-pressure gas pipelines, a compressor station in Zaragoza, and three transmission centres in Caspe, Serrablo and Zaragoza. These facilities are essential for a secure energy supply, not only in Aragón but also throughout Spain.

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