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Japan's nuclear power revival remains on track despite January's earthquake in the north-western Noto Peninsula, leaving the downward outlook for the country's LNG consumption unchanged. Last year saw Japan's LNG imports fall to their lowest level since 2009, meaning it relinquished its spot as the world's top LNG buyer to China for the second time. Although LNG has embarked on a long goodbye in Japan, energy transition challenges could make it stay in the country's energy mix longer than expected, with synthetic methane one of its potential successors.



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