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Japan's ministry of economy, trade and industry (METI) believes that LNG imports will fall by over 30% by 2030, as the country pares back gas-fired power in favour of nuclear and renewables. Indeed, Japan's nuclear programme could be the key determinant of its future LNG demand and global LNG flows in the wider region. But with the extent and timing of the nuclear restart in doubt and power sector deregulation due to shake up Japan's electricity market, Gas Matters asks whether gas-fired power is really about to relinquish its market share.

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