

COVID-19 Force Majeure Under Long-Term LNG Contracts

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In their March 3, 2020 Law 360 [article](#), our colleagues, Rob Patterson and Shu-Shu Wong, commented on the trend of certain buyers evaluating the feasibility of invoking *force majeure* as an excuse for not performing their purchase obligations under their liquefied natural gas long-term sale and purchase agreements (**LNG SPAs**) due to the COVID-19 outbreak. That article looked at the situation from an English perspective; this article will focus more on contracts governed by New York or Texas law, based on our experience with many U.S.-based LNG projects that have come online in recent years.

Read the full alert [here](#).