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A METHOD OF ESTIMATING A CHARACTERISTIC OF A LOAD OF
LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS

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A method of estimating a characteristic (Q_n' , Q_1') of
a load of liquefied natural gas being transported by a
tanker at any point on a route (401, P; 501, 502, 503),
the method being characterized in that the estimation is
10 made by integrating, over the route (410, 411, 412, 420;
510, 511, 512) from a reference point (400, P; 500) at
which said characteristic is known (Q_n , Q_1), a
relationship associating the instantaneous transformation
of the load with instantaneous navigation conditions.

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