

# State/TransCanada Memorandum of Understanding

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# **AKLNG** Infrastructure Components

In order to understand the context of the MOU, we need to return to the Heads of Agreement (HOA) and State participation in the project as outlined in Articles 5 and 6 of the HOA.

The HOA describes how the parties intend to cooperate in the joint pursuit of the Alaska LNG project – which is comprised of the gas treatment plant (GTP), Pipeline, and LNG Plant.

**GTP** 



**LNG Plant** 



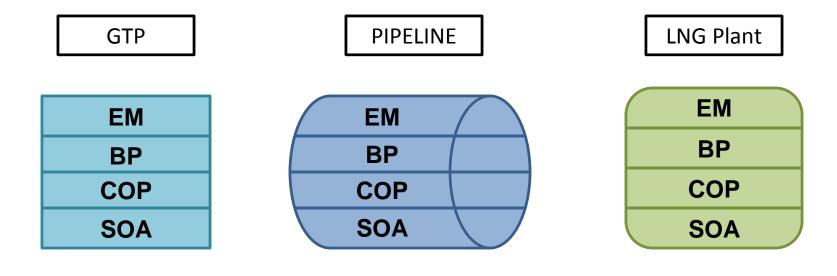




# **Equity Interest in Infrastructure**

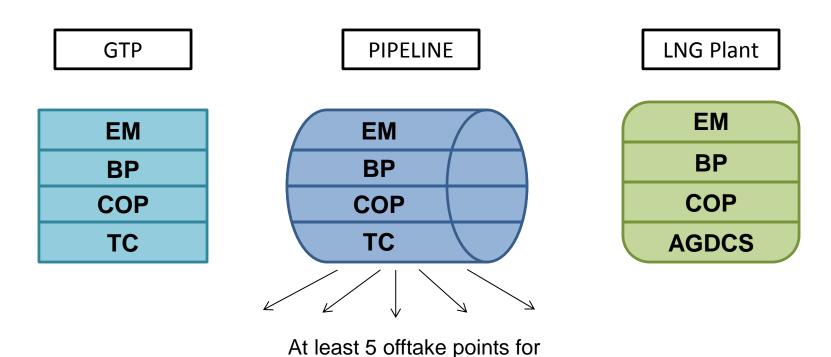
The overall structure of the HOA contemplates an alignment of the State's tax and royalty interests in the gas with an equity interest in each component of the infrastructure.

Each of the Parties will be responsible for the financing and set the terms for access to their share of the project.



# Transporting Alaska's Gas:

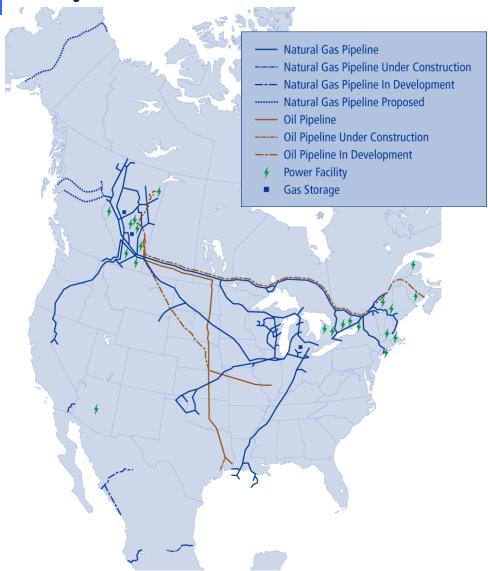
The MOU details TransCanada's terms of service for transporting Alaska's State Gas Share via the GTP and Pipeline. It is further contemplated that a subsidiary corporation of AGDC will be established to carry the State's interest in the LNG plant.



TransCanada will create an affiliate, TransCanada Alaska Development Inc. ("TADI"), for the AKLNG project

local markets

# Why TransCanada?



- Pre-eminent pipeline builder in North America.
- Aligned to operate and expand on terms that are in Alaska's interest.
- The commercial terms provide economic benefits to Alaska and Alaskans.
- Arctic experience, data, and engineering studies will be brought to the new project through transition.
- Provides seamless transition out of AGIA with no impact on the aggressive timeline to get Alaska gas to market.

Photo courtesy of TransCanada 5

# What is an "MOU"? Memorandum of Understanding

According to one definition:

"A legal document outlining the terms and details of an agreement between parties, including each parties' requirements and responsibilities. The MOU is often the first stage in the formation of a formal contract. An MOU is far more formal than a handshake and is given weight in a court of law should one party fail to meet the obligations of the memorandum."

www.investopedia.com

The MOU outlines the terms of the State of Alaska's relationship with TransCanada in the Midstream component of the Alaska LNG Project; however, the MOU will not be binding until the Legislature enacts "Enabling Legislation".

# The Timeline<sup>1</sup>

# Enabling Legislation

"Enabling Legislation" as defined on page 5 of the MOU describes legislation that, among other things, authorizes negotiations for the Transition Agreements and provides funding for development cost reimbursement.

April 2014: Legislature passes enabling

legislation.

July 2014: Administration and TransCanada

develop and execute a Precedent

Agreement (PA) and Firm Transportation Services

Agreement (FTSA).

2015: Administration and

TransCanada submit FTSA for public review and legislative

approval.

Equity Option available until

December 31, 2015.

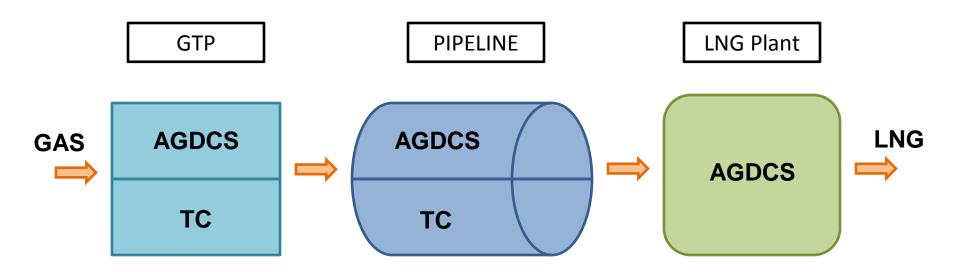
2015-2016: Parties decide whether to

advance to FEED.

<sup>1.</sup> The timeline above assumes a success case.

#### Exhibit B of the MOU:

Contains a term sheet for the State to exercise an equity option up to 40% of the partnership established by TransCanada for the relevant portion of the midstream.



## Key Terms of the MOU

Exhibit C is the Alaska LNG
Midstream Services
Agreement, which sets out the
commercial terms under which
TADI shall operate and expand
the midstream components of the
AKLNG project.

## Key Terms of Exhibit C:

#### 1. Favorable Debt to Equity Ratio

- 75/25 ratio for rate-making purposes reduces the State's tariff.
- Lower tariffs improve the State's overall cash flows.

#### 2. Cash Contributions by TransCanada

 TransCanada as project developer reduces the State's exposure to cash calls and obligations until the pipeline is in service.

#### 3. Improved Value to the Treasury

• When you consider the opportunity cost of utilizing the State's capital (which earns 6% in the treasury), our NPV is improved overall.

#### 4. Expansions

• TransCanada committed to 70/30 capital structure for expansions.

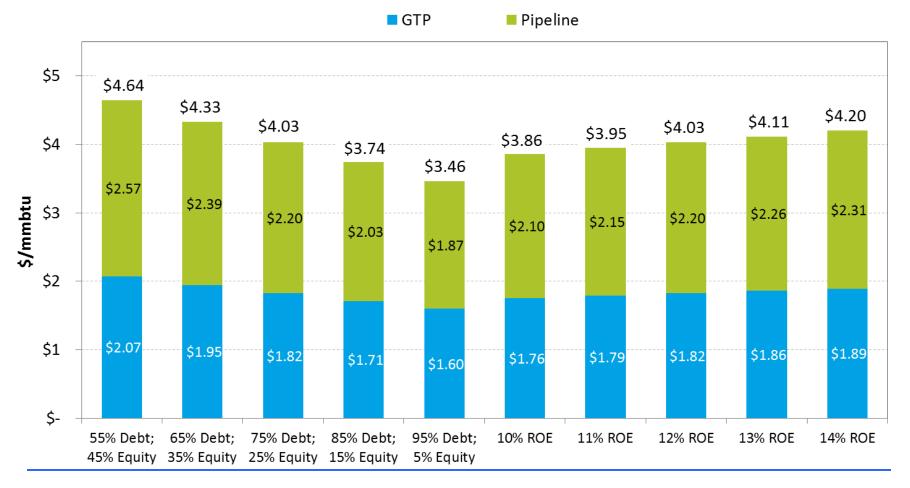
#### 5. Gas to Alaskans

- At least 5 offtake points
- Distance sensitive rates with three zones for delivery

# Key Terms of Exhibit C: Favorable Debt to Equity Ratio

TARIFF ON GTP AND PIPELINE INCREASES BY ~\$0.30/MMBTU FOR EACH 10% INCREASE IN EQUITY WHILE INCREASING BY ~\$0.08/MMBTU FOR EACH 1% INCREASE IN ROE

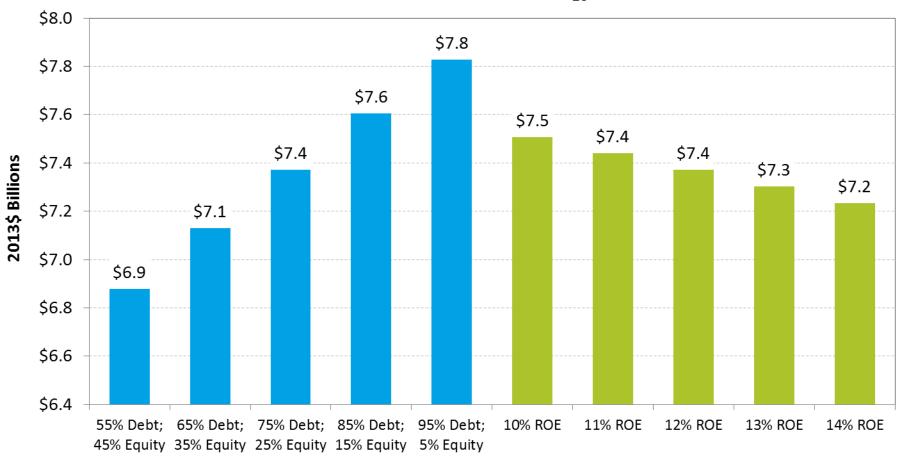
#### TransCanada GTP + Pipeline Tariff



# Key Terms of Exhibit C: Favorable Debt to Equity Ratio

# NPV TO THE STATE DECREASES BY ~\$300MM FOR EACH 10% INCREASE IN EQUITY WHILE DECREASING BY ~\$100MM FOR EACH 1% INCREASE IN ROE

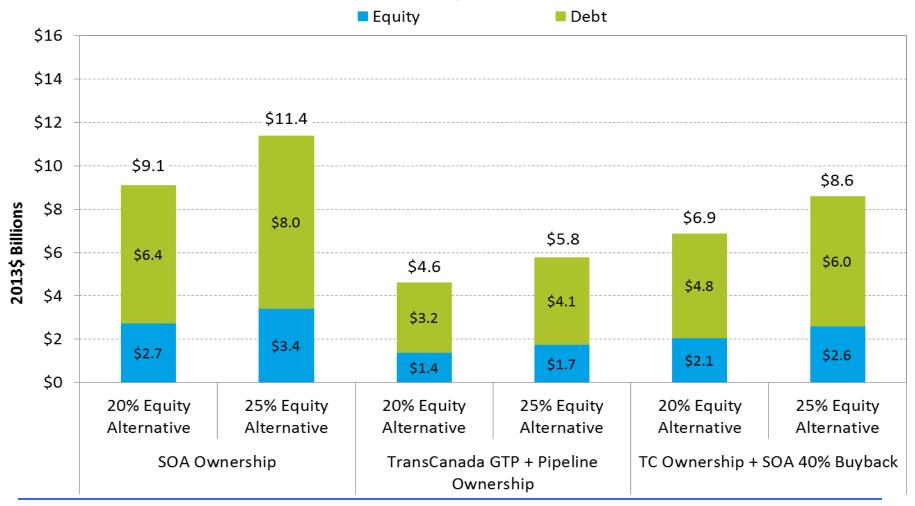
#### State of Alaska NPV<sub>10</sub>



### Key Terms of Exhibit C: Cash Contributions by TransCanada

## STATE OF ALASKA TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT (IN 2013\$)

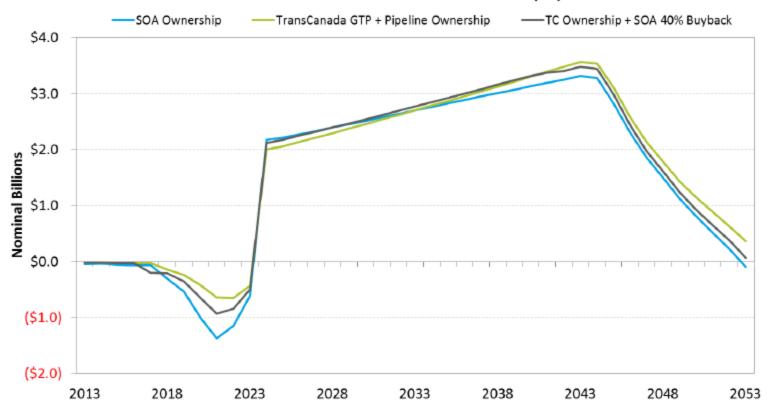
#### **SOA Total CapEx in Real Dollars**



## Key Terms of Exhibit C: Cash Contributions by TransCanada

# STATE OF ALASKA ANNUAL CASH FLOWS ASSOCIATED WITH THE 25% EQUITY ALTERNATIVE\*

#### State of Alaska Annual Cash Flows Associated with 25% Equity Alternative

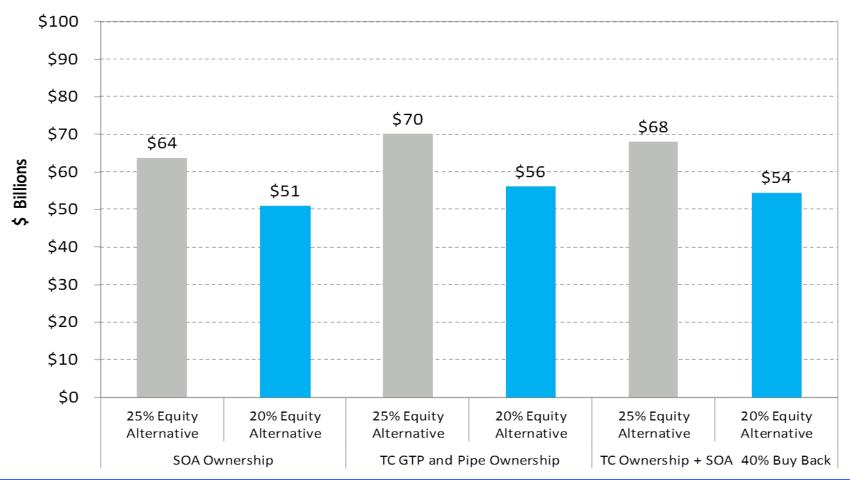


<sup>\*</sup> Annual cash flows over initial 30 years. Cash flows exclude additional revenues to the State from the AKLNG Project such as upstream property and income taxes that are not impacted by TC participation. Values include the estimated impact of opportunity cost to the State which may not be a cash flow element.

## Key Terms of Exhibit C: Improved Value to the Treasury

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Total Cash Flows to State of Alaska Associated with Equity Alternative

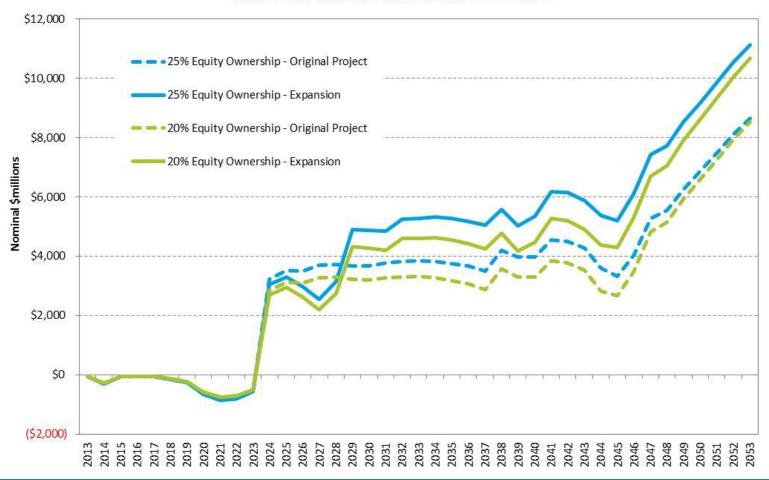


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# Key Terms of Exhibit C: Expansions

# ANNUAL CASH FLOWS TO STATE OF ALASKA INCREASE WITH AN EXPANSION OF THE AKING PROJECT\*

#### State of Alaska Cash Flow Forecast

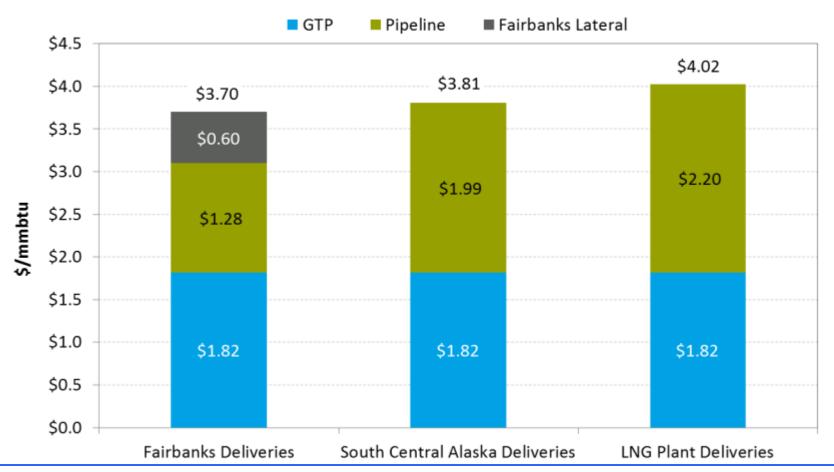


<sup>\*</sup> Expansion analysis assumes one additional LNG train and equivalent capacity at the GTP Plant and pipeline are added to the project five years into its operation.

# Key Terms of Exhibit C: Gas for Alaskans

#### **ESTIMATED TARIFFS FOR IN-STATE GAS DELIVERIES**

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"While North Slope gas commercialization is challenging, working together, we can maintain the momentum toward our shared vision for Alaska."



# THANK YOU

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