ASAP

Alaska Stand Alone Gas Pipeline

Senate Finance Committee

Tariff Model Presentation

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Tariff Model - Purpose

- Estimate the cost of building, owning, and operating a gas pipeline over its useful life
- Estimate tariff rates that need to be charged to recover the cost of service
- Assure that financial commitments obtained during the open season will cover all required costs



Primary Factors Impacting Tariff Rates

- Capital costs
- Operating costs
- Volume (throughput)
- Currently all are estimates and in the early phases of engineering



Tariff Model Structure

- Cost of service model
- Capital cost estimates input into FERC code of accounts and broken down by segment
 - Industry standard
 - RCA familiar with cost categories & FERC accounts
- Operating cost estimates based on industry standards
- Gas volume/usage and allocated based on instate demand study (2010)



Key Financial Assumptions

- Depreciation methodology and depreciable life
- Capital structure: % debt and % equity
- Cost of capital components



Model Outputs

- Revenue requirements calculated for each segment
- Volume (billing units) estimated for each segment
- Recourse tariff calculated



Recourse Tariff

- Initial tariff that is based on Class III estimates for gas conditioning facility/compressor and pipeline
- Sticker price
- Ceiling not floor
- Shippers can negotiate for better rate
- Who would use recourse tariff
 - ✓ Small volume shipper
 - ✓ Shipper with short term need





Updated ASAP Tariff Assumptions

- Longer term
 - 30 year levelized vs. original 20 years
- Updated capital cost estimates
 - Now \$7.70 Bn
 - was \$7.52 Bn (all estimates +/- 30%)
- More appropriate contingency
 - Pipeline now 10% vs. 5% (facilities 30%)



Update ASAP Tariff Assumptions

- Equity share and return on equity adjusted
 - Debt/equity split now 75/25 vs. 70/30
 - ROE 11% vs. 12%
- Year delay (\$2011 -> \$2012)
 - 2.5% inflation per year (\$200 mm)
- Fewer billing units (MMBTUs)
 - 523 MMBTUs vs. 584 MMBTUs





Updated ASAP Tariffs

2012 Tariff Comparison Original Project Plan vs. Optimized Project Plan		
	ASAP 2011 Project Plan \$/MMBtu	Optimization Update \$/MMBtu
\$ Levelized at Project Startup (Uninflated/Constant)	\$2011	\$2012
Fairbanks	\$6.45	\$4.25 to \$6.00
Big Lake	\$5.63	\$5.00 to \$7.25
Dig Lune	\$3.03	\$3.00 to \$7.25
\$Levelized at Project Startup (Inflated/Nominal)		
Fairbanks	\$8.99	\$4.75 to \$6.50
Big Lake	\$7.75	\$5.75 to \$8.00
Cost Drivers		Tariff Impact
Capital cost : +/- \$1 Billion for pipeline	Fairbanks Big Lake	+/- \$.50/MMBtu +/- \$.80/MMBtu
State of Alaska Contribution: +\$1 Billion		- \$.45/MMBtu
Rate of return on equity (ROE): +/- 1%		+/- \$0.20/MMBtu
Useful life (bond length): + 10 years		- \$0.75/MMBtu
Cost of 1 Yr. Delay to Entire Construction Schedule		+\$0.20/MMBtu





Thank You

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