

# Alaska LNG State Gas Team Project Update

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Audie Setters General Manager State Gas Team

Dona Keppers
Deputy Commissioner
Department of Revenue

## **Agenda**

- > Introduction: Audie P. Setters
- Organizational Issues
- TransCanada Reimbursable Costs Update
- Overview of the Municipal Advisory Gas Project Review Board Activity
- Status of Department of Revenue's Alaska LNG Financing Work

## State of Alaska's Alaska LNG Gas Team

#### **General Manager, State of Alaska Gas Team:**

#### **Audie P. Setters**

- Took early retirement from Chevron in July 2014 after 34 years with Chevron and Texaco.
- Experience includes new ventures, mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, project development and gas/LNG development, transportation & marketing.
- Recent roles include:
  - VP and GM, Business Development, Asia Pacific (Singapore);
  - VP, LNG Marketing and Trading
- Global Perspective: based 6 years in Singapore, 2 years in Perth, 7 years in London and over 15 years in Calgary/Houston;
- Directly involved in the development of 3 greenfield LNG projects:
  - Gorgon LNG (Australia) 15 MTPA
  - Wheatstone LNG (Australia) 9 MTPA
  - Angola LNG 5 MTPA
- By 2018 when Gorgon reaches full capacity, Chevron will have moved into the top 5 LNG producers (from the 20<sup>th</sup> largest LNG producer) according to Wood Mackenzie.
- Was hired by the Parnell administration in September 2014 to work as the lead marketing manager on the State Gas Team with additional expertise provided on upstream issues.

## Structure of the State's Gas Team

#### State LNG Project Organization

Office of the Governor

Department of Revenue

Department of Natural Resources Audie Setters General Manager State Gas Team

Department of Law

Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC)

## Structure of the State's Gas Team

#### State Gas Team Project Roles

- Work Streams:
  - Gas Production/Upstream
  - Lease Modifications
  - Governance
  - Expansion
  - Fiscals
  - Property Tax
  - Financing
  - Regulatory
  - External Affairs/Government Relations
  - Marketing / Shipping

#### **SOA Stakeholders**

- > AGDC
- State Gas Team
- Dept. of Natural Resources
- Dept. of Revenue
- Dept. of Law
- Legislature
- Regulatory Agencies
- Potential Lenders
- Alaskans

#### Success

- "One Team"
  - Continue to build a high performing Team
  - Clearly defined roles and responsibilities
  - Streamlined, empowered negotiating teams with clear authority to negotiate
- Negotiate the suite of agreements and obtain stakeholder agreement to enter FEED in 2016
- Encourage the training and development of Alaskan residents for jobs related to the Alaska LNG Project

### **Immediate Priorities**

- Align our Stakeholders;
- Consolidate and integrate the various project Stakeholders involved in negotiations and the decision process;
- Establish processes to ensure State negotiating teams are armed with a clear authority to negotiate;
- Negotiate the suite of agreements required to support a legislative special session in the fall of 2015, which will enable a FEED decision in 2016;
- Develop commercial agreements and economic analysis that will inform the RIK vs. RIV determination by DNR Commissioner; and
- Build the LNG marketing organization required to promote market awareness and support our marketing requirements.

# **SOA AKLNG 3rd Party Cost Forecast**

Through the State of Alaska's agreements with TransCanada pertaining to the AKLNG Project, SOA is accruing costs associated with TransCanada's work on the Project as follows:

>	Est. Total TC Reimbursable Pre-FEED Costs	\$108M
>	Add'l SOA Pre-FEED Forecast (Jan-June, 2016)	<u>\$ 22M</u>
	Estimated Total SOA Obligation to TC for 2014-15	\$ 86M
	Estimated TC Reimbursable Costs for rest of 2015	<u>\$ 60M</u>
	Actual TC Reimbursable Costs for 1/2014–3/2015	\$ 26M

# Department of Revenue Legislative Update

June 16, 2015 Municipal Advisory Gas Project Review Board AK LNG Finance Work

Commissioner Randall Hoffbeck
Deputy Commissioner Dona Keppers

## **MAGPRB Major Achievements**

- Simplified proposed methodology for Property Tax levied on the AK LNG project
- Garnered input and feedback on potential legislative changes (SB 100/HB183) and subsequent drafts
- Initiated work plan to utilize data from the FERC NEPA process to identify alternatives for Impact Payments During Construction

## **Simplified Methodology**

- MAGPR Board considered various conceptual mechanisms during February and March 2015
- Set of easily defined/clearly understood parameters, including
  - Cost of the facility
  - Flow rate
  - Escalation/inflation
  - Tax Rate
  - Depreciation
- Board considered alternative formulas and financial outputs
- Feedback sought from the AK LNG producers
- Formula refined

Resulting formula has formed the basis for subsequent discussion around legislation and project negotiations.

# **Property Tax Legislation**

- Proposed legislative approach
  - Policy drivers/blend of Statute/Contract
  - Methodology
- Communicated with Board on proposed legislation
- SB 100/HB 183 introduced during 2015 session
- Continued communication with MAGPRB to further develop legislation

## **Impact Payments During Construction Framework**

- Board reviewed historical precedents/methodology under SGDA
- MAGPRB received extensive briefings on FERC NEPA process
  - FERC Resource Report #5 Socio Economic Impacts
  - Scoping meetings with affected communities during 2015 and early 2016
- Discussed mechanisms for collection and distribution of Impact Payments During Construction

# **Next Steps**

- Momentum and engagement significantly increased during Q1/Q2 2015
- Meetings now scheduled every two weeks to reflect project timing/importance
- Board positioned to support overall project timeframe with timely discussion/input
- Continue to be supportive of a globally competitive Alaskan LNG project

## **Update on AKLNG Finance**

- Pursuant to SB 138, Section 76, Department of Revenue has contracted with Lazard Freres and First Southwest to progress the Finance workplan
- Launched Phase II of the workplan to coincide with AKLNG Project timeline
- Initiated outreach plan for municipalities, regional corporations, and individuals for scoping options to invest in a North Slope natural gas pipeline
- Currently modeling a range of potential financial options and impacts on State credit ratings, borrowing costs, and borrowing capacity
- On target to deliver to the Legislature a final financing recommendation report when the DNR commissioner submits a contract for approval