# ALASKA LNG (AK LNG) SEMINAR

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AK LNG is a major project to commercialize North Slope gas; it consists of four major components:

- . Gas production from Prudhoe Bay (~75% of the total) and Point Thomson (~25%)
- . A gas treatment plant (GTP) on the North Slope to remove impurities and make gas ready for transport
- . A large scale gas pipeline to Nikiski, with at least five off-take points for gas use within the state
- . A 15-18 million ton per annum liquefaction facility at Nikiski to cool the gas and make it ready for export

Segment	Approx. Cost (% Total)
Upstream	10-15%
GTP	20-25%
Pipeline	20-25%
LNG	<b>40-55</b> %

Approximate cost estimate is \$45 to \$65 billion





### AK LNG path set in three agreements: a Heads of Agreement, a Memorandum of Understanding and SB 138. Heads of Agreement (HOA)

The HOA envisioned that the state would take physical possession of 20-25% of the gas and the same share of the infrastructure associated with this project.

### Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The state assigned to TransCanada (TC) its 25% equity in the GTP and pipeline. TC bears the state's share of the pre-construction and construction costs, and the state pays TC a tariff to use these facilities. State has an option to buy back 40% of its original 25% share in the pipeline and GTP from TC (up to 10% of the total). Senate Bill 138 (SB 138)

SB 138 provided changes to the tax code and other key areas of statute, authorized the executive branch to negotiate a range of subsequent agreements that would be required to move the project to the next phase of development, and established a broad roadmap for how the Legislature will oversee and consent to these negotiations.



## PROJECTS NEED TO MOVE ON MANY PARALLEL FRONTS

Delineate resource base, certify reserves, define production plan Upstream Midstream Define pipeline path, secure right-of-way, environmental permits Liquefaction Define project size, processing / gas quality, project structure Decide whether to own, lease or outsource shipping to buyers Shipping Define commercialization plan, secure buyers, sign contracts Marketing Financing Define financing plan, secure in-house and third-party lending Permitting Secure permits to construct facility, export gas **Partners conduct front-end engineering and design studies (pre-FEED and FEED)** 

They then sign engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contracts

Construction starts with final investment decision (FID); usually less than 10% of CAPEX spent before FID



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### **PROJECTS EVOLVE: QC LNG (AUSTRALIA) CASE STUDY**

FIRST CARGO (JULY 2015)	<b>FID (OCTOBER 2010)</b>	<b>FEED (JULY 2008)</b>	
Two trains 8.5 mmtpa	Two trains 8.5 mmtpa	One train: 3-4 mmtpa Expandable to 12 mmtpa	Size
Third-party gas (AP LNG); Gas storage CNOOC up to 25% in Surat & Bowen Basin BG 74% of resource base	CNOOC 5% in parts of Surat Basin Tokyo Gas 1.25% in parts of Surat Basin Remainder was BG	Queensland Gas Company (QGC) gas BG owned 9.9% of QGC and 20% of QGC's coal-bed methane in Surat Basin	Upstream
T1: BG 50%, CNOOC 50% T2: BG 97.5%, Tokyo Gas 2.5% T3: CNOOC option for 25% BG: 100% of common facilities	T1: BG 90%, CNOOC 10% T2: BG 97.5%, Tokyo Gas 2.5%	T1: BG 70%, QGC 30%	Liquefaction
CNOOC: 8.6 mmtpa* Tokyo Gas: 1.2 mmtpa* Chubu Electric: ~0.6 mmtpa*	CNOOC: 3.6 mmtpa* Tokyo Gas: 1.2 mmtpa* BG Group: balance	BG Group: 100%	Off-take*
JBIC: 175 mn to Tokyo Gas US EX-IM: \$1.8 billion			External Financing

\* Off-take is supplemented by BG's global portfolio-not all LNG will come from Australia

SOURCE: BG GROUP DATABOOK 2008-2013 EDITIONS, INDUSTRY PRESS



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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	<b>2021</b>	2022	<b>2023</b>	2024	2025	2026
Project Stage	Pre	FEED		FEED			C	onstruc	tion			Online	
Investment (Entire Project)	\$ <b>400</b> n	-\$ <b>500</b> nm	\$1, <b>5</b> 0	0—\$2,0 (Equity	00 mm 1)		\$4 (De	5–65 b bt and e	illion quity)		Met	0&M from cas	sh flow
Investment (State of Alaska)	\$50 <sup>.</sup> n	-\$125 nm	\$ <b>2</b> (	10—\$50 (Equity	0 mm 1)		ŞE (De	6—\$15 bi bt and e	illion quity)		Met	0&M from cas	sh flow

### **FROM PRE-FEED TO FEED**

TechnicalConceptual design, route selection, narrowing of cost estimate, risk managementRegulatoryExport approvals, FERC permitting and input process from stakeholdersCommercialDomestic gas, off-take and balancing, transportation services, LNG disposition, financingOrganizationalFEED-stage JV agreements & governance, lease modifications, RIK determinationFiscalFiscal agreement, property tax, method of stabilization



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### UNLIKE OIL, LNG DOMINATED BY MIDSTREAM COST

Fixed nature of tariff in 'in value' alternative amplifies impact of price movement on state returns

INDICATIVE LNG VALUE CHAIN In Alaska	OIL (\$/BBL)	GAS (\$/BOE)	GAS (\$/BOE)	GAS (\$/BOE)
<b>RESOURCE PRICE</b>	\$100.00	\$81.00	\$75.00	\$70.00
LESS: MARINE TRANSPORT	\$3.46	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00
LESS: PIPELINE & LNG TARIFF	\$6.58	\$60.18	\$60.18	\$60.18
GROSS VALUE At Point of Production	\$89.96	\$14.82	\$8.82	\$3.82



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### 25% OF PROJECT, BUT MORE THAN 25% OF VALUE

With equity ownership, SOA takes a disproportionate share of the cashflows, especially at lower prices

Physical ownership of gas (royalty in kind, tax as gas) aids state, producer and project economics PERCENT OF CUMULATIVE CASH FLOWS OVER PROJECT LIFE



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### FINANCIALLY, TRANSCANADA DEAL IS AKIN TO A LOAN

TransCanada shoulders a share of SOA's capital commitments and Alaska repays over time with tariff

SOA cash outlays fall by \$1.7 bn (no buyback) to \$1 bn (buyback) during development period



#### STATE OF ALASKA: CASH FLOWS FOR ALASKA LNG (70% DEBT / 30% EQUITY)



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## IN ABSENCE OF GLOBAL GAS PRICE, MARKETING MATTERS

Oil is priced globally, but gas is priced regionally or locally; no "global" gas price; marketing matters Idiosyncratic factors more important than global fundamentals in driving gas pricing In oil, SOA can take a "step back" in terms of marketing; in gas, SOA has to be engaged



SOURCE: EIA, IMF, INTERCONTINENTAL EXCHANGE (ICE), TRADE STATISTICS OF JAPAN, BUNDESAMT FÜR WIRTSCHAFT UND AUSFUHRKONTROLLE (BAFA), ST LOUIS FRED



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### **EVEN IN SAME MARKET, OIL LINKAGE = DIFFERENT PRICES**

Oil indexed prices show different patterns in Japan; timing and formula matter a great deal



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### LNG PROJECTS ALL ABOUT MANAGING LONG-TERM RISK

LNG projects take many years (often decades) to "arrange" but most money is spent during construction

LNG consists of making big upfront investments (for 4-5 years) that repay capital over 20+ years

Risk management across the board (technology, commercial, fiscal, political, etc) is key to success



LNG PLANT CASH FLOW: TYPICAL PLANT



## AK LNG IS A TOUGH PROJECT IN A WEAKENED MARKET

### Lower oil prices

Lower oil prices limit CAPEX budgets, they limit demand upside (where gas competes with oil) and they put pressure on prices

Market is already feeling loose and the boom in supply hasn't hit yet

Supply growth and weakening demand are already creating a sense of oversupply in physical market; and LNG capacity will grow by 150 mmtpa in 2015–2019 (LNG in 2014 was 241 mmtpa)

LNG buyers believe they have ample choice

From the L48, to Western Canada, to Eastern Africa and new projects in Pacific (Indonesia, Russia, Malaysia, Australia), buyers have many choices; and that's before adding Iran to the mix

### Cost structure has come down

The era of super-expensive LNG projects has passed; new projects far cheaper than the headline cost of AK LNG

.... but AK LNG project start-date is beyond current negotiation window; fighting for a place in next tranche



## HOW DO COUNTER-PARTIES JUDGE A PROPOSED PROJECT?

WILL THE GAS SUPPLY BE Reliable?	How much gas do the sponsors have? What is the technical complexity of the resource? What is the gas quality (level of processing needed)? What factors might interrupt supply (technical or political)?
ARE THE SPONSORS CREDIBLE And committed?	Do they have the technical capacity to execute project (track-record, complexity)? Do they have access to sufficient internal and/or external funds? Are they organizationally committed within their portfolios? What partnerships or commitments do they have (buyers, financiers, contractors)?
IS THERE STAKEHOLDER Buy-in?	Does the sovereign support this project? Is the support durable and demonstrated tangibly? Does the local community support it (project footprint, engagement, NGO activity)? Is there a clear, speedy, and transparent regulatory and judicial review?
DOES THE ECOSYSTEM SUPPORT Development?	Can the government manage approvals and negotiate contracts (e.g. level of corruption)? Is there a physical risk to the infrastructure (personnel and assets)? Is there sufficient existing infrastructure (roads, ports, pipelines)? Is there a strong labor pool (visa restrictions) and auxiliary industries (local content)?
IS THE PROJECT COMMERCIALLY VIABLE?	What is the project's estimated cost relative to price expectations? What is the fiscal burden (government take and fiscal stability)? At what stage of development is the project? Do the project rewards offset the project risks?



## HOW TO JUDGE AGREEMENTS THAT COME TO LEGISLATURE?

Wearing a project hat

**Project timeline** Does this agreement push the project forward or does it delay it?

**Competitiveness** Does this agreement make AK LNG more competitive in the market?

Ability to change Is this a "final" decision or is there opportunity to revisit / adjust later?

Wearing an owner hat

**Risk and reward** To what risks does this agreement expose the state over time? What's the upside?

**Risk management** What tools can the state employ to manage this risk? What's the cost of those tools?

**Risk tolerance** How much of this risk is the state willing to take?

Wearing a sovereign hat

**Organization** How to set up environment, structure and responsibilities to manage project?



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## **DELIVERABILITY IS KEY TO LNG PROJECTS**

Projects underpinned by 15-20 year contracts with binding minimum supply and purchase commitments Deliverability risks by phase include:

Ramp-up Can we reach target peak production quickly and without difficulties?

PlateauWill the plateau last long enough to meet our supply commitments reliably?

**Decline Once decline sets in, how predictable will production be?** 





### **UPSTREAM STRUCTURE BOTH ASSET AND COMPLICATION**

Prudhoe BayExceptionally well understood - gas has been produced multiple times overSignificant upward production flexibility - very rare in LNG projects

Point ThomsonTechnically complex, not yet produced at volume - ramp-up deliverability risks

Prudhoe Bay upward flex could mitigate Point Thomson deliverability risks - unusually low ramp-up risk





## UPWARD FLEX CAN SHIFT RISK FROM RAMP-UP TO PLATEAU

Producing any reservoir at a faster rate reduces plateau length and brings forward decline phase For producers with equal exposure to Prudhoe Bay and Point Thomson, this can be balanced Producers with differential exposure among the two fields face different impacts





## DIFFERENT FIELD OWNERSHIP CREATES DIVERGENCE

One partner has minimal exposure to Point Thomson risks, while another has outsized PT exposure Over-lifting Prudhoe entails a 'loan' of gas from Prudhoe-concentrated partners to PT-concentrated ones Can this loan be paid back during the reliably deliverable plateau phase?

From which field? How does that impact questions of control over production in meeting commitments? How does it impact length of supply obligations that can be incurred?

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CONOCOPHILLIPS	<b>36.08</b> %	BLENDED SHARE	%
BP	<b>26.36</b> %	EXXONMOBIL	32.1%
OTHERS	<b>1.16%</b>	STATE OF ALASKA	<b>25.0</b> %
POINT THOMSON	W. I.	CONOCOPHILLIPS	21.2%
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OTHERS	1.73%		



### MARKETING APPROACH ALSO IMPACTS UPSTREAM RISKS

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\* NOTE: BLENDED SHARE IS APPROXIMATE AND HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED YET



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## **GAS SUPPLY/BALANCING IS AKLNG FOUNDATION**

**Partner balance** Sales commitments may deviate from agreed share (lower demand/ sales) Working interest partners may lift more/less than their working interest share Cross-field balance If PTU or PBU suffers production outage, other field may need to boost supply If there is long-term underperformance, PTU or PBU may need to supply more gas **SOA** gas sales In equity marketing, and assuming RIK determination, SOA must sell its gas **SOA derivative share** State of Alaska will have sales commitments but no control of upstream decisions How will balancing work between and within fields? Over what time frame will balancing occur? How can the project ensure that balances do not grow to unsustainable levels? Can state achieve sufficient supply certainty through supply contract? Can state instead achieve sufficient control through upstream governance arrangements?



### NEW PROJECTS TYPICALLY PRE-SELL 90% OF OUTPUT

#### CONTACT STATUS OF LNG PROJECTS SANCTIONED AFTER 2012 (THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2015)

	COUNTRY		CAPACITY	CONTRACTS	0/6 <b>COLD</b>
	GUUNINY	SANGTION DATE	(MMTPA)	(MMTPA)	%0 <b>30LD</b>
ICHTHYS, TRAINS 1-2	AUSTRALIA	JAN-12	8.4	8.3	<b>99</b> %
CARIBBEAN FLNG	COLOMBIA	MAR-12	0.5	0.5	100%
PFLNG 1	MALAYSIA	JUN-12	1.2	0.0	<b>0</b> %
AUSTRALIA PACIFIC, TRAIN 2	AUSTRALIA	JUL-12	4.5	4.3	<b>96</b> %
SABINE PASS, TRAINS 1-2	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	JUL-12	9.0	8.0	<b>89</b> %
MALAYSIA LNG, TRAIN 9	MALAYSIA	MAR-13	3.6	0.0	<b>0</b> %
SABINE PASS, TRAINS 3-4	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	MAY-13	9.0	8.0	<b>89</b> %
YAMAL, TRAINS 1-3	RUSSIA	DEC-13	16.5	14.3	<b>87</b> %
PFLNG 2 (ROTAN)	MALAYSIA	JAN-14	1.5	0.0	<b>0</b> %
CAMERON, TRAINS 1-3	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	AUG-14	12.0	12.0	100%
COVE POINT	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	OCT-14	4.6	4.6	100%
FREEPORT, TRAINS 1-2	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	NOV-14	9.3	8.8	<b>95</b> %
FREEPORT, TRAIN 3	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	APR-15	4.6	4.4	<b>95</b> %
CORPUS CHRISTI, TRAINS 1-2	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	MAY-15	9.0	7.5	<b>83</b> %
<b>SABINE PASS, TRAIN 5</b>	<b>UNITED STATES</b>	JUN-15	4.5	3.8	<b>83</b> %
TOTAL			98.2	84.5	<b>86</b> %
TOTAL EX. PETRONAS			91.9	84.5	<b>92</b> %

SOURCE: ENALYTICA BASED ON COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENTS, INDUSTRY PRESS AND REPORTS



DELIVERABILITY > GAS BALANCING > LNG MARKETING > SOA LNG MARKETING LNG contracting from new projects > trends in new project marketing > SPA basics > mitigating volatility in pricing

### **SELLING LNG: PATTERNS FROM RECENT PROJECTS**

Reliance on LTNumber of changes in what contracts companies sign these daysMore portfolio contracts, more flexibility, shorter duration, new pricing systems etc.But new projects still overwhelmingly get sanctioned on back of LT contracts

Share to pre-sellOver 85% in long-term (20-years) contracts before or soon after taking FIDCounter-partiesAverage 3 buyers per project (range from 1 to 6)Price exposureUS projects linked to Henry Hub; others mostly oil-linkedContract sizeRange from 1 million tons per annum (mmtpa) to 4+ mmtpa (132–530 mmcf/d)Transfer pointNo trend between FOB/DES; increasing tendency to destination flexibilityEquity partnersAbout a third (30%) of the buyers had equity in the project



### WHAT'S IN A SALES AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT (SPA)?

Most SPAs are over 100 pages and are customarily confidential (with limited details released)

Pricing	Formula, usually oil link, but also Henry Hub; fixed and variable parameters; inflation
Term	Usually 20-year for new projects; date of first cargo; treatment of delays
Volume	Average contract quantity plus any flexibility ( $\pm$ 10-20%); make-up gas
Title transfer	Delivery point; destination restrictions; profit sharing for diverted cargoes
Logistics	Delivery schedule; tanker/facility specs and approvals; measurement
Gas quality	Gas specs (molecular breakdown / heating value); provisions for off-spec gas
Financial	Invoicing process; payment terms; guarantees; currency; taxes; insurance; indices
Precedents	Precedent conditions (FID, finance); regulatory approvals; activation window
Legal	Jurisdiction; dispute resolution; renegotiation; force majeure; liabilities; termination



## PRICING FORMULATE CAN HELP MITIGATE VOLATILITY

Price volatility is a function of two parameters: intercept (fixed) and slope (variable component)

"S-curves" are clauses that change the link between gas price and index above or below thresholds Instead of a linear link, gas prices do not rise/fall as much if oil prices rise/fall above certain thresholds They reduce downside risk by forgoing some upside—they can even provide a floor/ceiling on prices





### Focus on performance over time

LNG contracts last a long time; volatility is inevitable, and the goal is a plan that suits the state's interests over time, not a plan that delivers the best result at every point over a 20-year timeframe.

### Focus on risk not the "highest" price

The highest price today may not be the highest price tomorrow; and the highest price could mean being priced out of a market and having LNG unsold; the state should focus on understanding its risk tolerance and developing a portfolio mix that serves its exposure appetite.

### Don't outsource your risk profile

Selling LNG through its partners, the state would also be assuming their risk tolerance—even though the state might have a different risk appetite. Judge offers on their ability to satisfy the state's risk profile. Build in-house expertise

The LNG market is highly fragmented, and expertise makes a difference; an autopilot approach will not serve the state's interests over the long term.



### WHAT LEVERS DOES THE STATE HAVE?

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<b>Counter-parties</b> How many counter-parties? Few are simpler but concentrate risk	
Price exposure Oil vs. Henry Hub indexation; S-curves and other protections	
Volume risk         How important are steady sales to the state?	
Transfer pointWill the state be involved in shipping?	
<b>Equity partners</b> Will the judge select buyers based on their interest to invest in AK LNG?	
Intangibles What other interests does the state have? For example, links to foreign sovereig	<b>s</b> ns



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### A LOT STILL TO BE CLARIFIED ABOUT PROJECT STRUCTURE

PROJECT ENTITIES	AK LNG LLC is entity involved in FERC permitting process, DOE export license Is it solely a cost-center, used to manage capital commitments and operating expenses? Or does it sell LNG? How will the flow of funds work? How is the project-within-a-project structure maintained?
EQUITY VS JV MARKETING	Has project JV Marketing been ruled out? Are there benefits to the state from seeking JV arrangements individually with other partners? Would there be separate legal vehicles established for each such JV arrangement?
WITHDRAWAL TERMS	<ul> <li>If one partner doesn't want to proceed, how is their project share acquired? Will they sell their gas?</li> <li>Should this be established in advance, or negotiated at the time?</li> <li>Benefits of advanced establishment: <ul> <li>Reduced risk of project stalling due to to non-commitment by one participant</li> </ul> </li> <li>Risks of advanced establishment: <ul> <li>Contingent commitment for producers to sell means contingent commitment for state to buy</li> <li>Potentially major contingent liability on state's balance sheet</li> <li>Price at which producers willing to agree sale may not be one at which SOA should want to buy</li> <li>Pre-agreed terms unusual and may be difficult to negotiate</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
ROLE OF TRANSCANADA	What role, if any, will TC have in the project structure going forward? Is the Limited Partnership structure proposed by the MOU still relevant/applicable?



## VARIOUS FINANCING OPTIONS OPEN TO LNG PROJECTS

### **Balance Sheet Finance**

Project sponsors provide funds Funds can combine debt and cash flow Guaranteed by project sponsor (recourse) Rate depends on sponsor's balance sheet Easier if all parties have strong balance sheets

### **Project Finance**

Third parties lend to project directly, not to sponsors Sponsors put up some equity (e.g. 30%) Guaranteed by projected revenues (non-recourse) Rate depends on project risk Easier to accommodate riskier sponsors

Key **Questions** for State of Alaska

What mix of debt and equity?

Will debt be specific to LNG project, or broader state balance sheet liability?

Will equity come from recurrent revenues, or other sources?

What role does the Permanent Fund play and how does this affect restricted / unrestricted revenue?



## PROJECT FINANCE WELL ESTABLISHED IN LNG

Since 2000, two-thirds of the LNG capacity sanctioned has relied on some form of project finance

Diverse financing from sponsors, export credit agencies, multilateral banks and commercial banks Projects often raised in excess of \$10 billion and even up to \$20 billion-but funding brings scrutiny



SOURCE: ENALYTICA BASED ON COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENTS, INDUSTRY PRESS AND REPORTS, PROJECT FINANCE INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL LEAGUE TABLES

## **UNINCORPORATED JV: FLEXIBLE BUT HARD TO NEGOTIATE**

Ubiquitous for upstream, much rarer for LNG; North West Shelf (Australia) and Kenai LNG main examples

Joint Venture through contract, not legal vehicle

Structure offers flexibility upfront but rigidity in instituting changes

Flow-through tax partnership

In US, many of these benefits now available through LLC corporate form





## **INCORPORATED JV** MORE TYPICAL LNG PROJECT STRUCTURE

Concentrates assets, liabilities, contracts in project company

Project company is central; may or may not need separate operator

Gas may be purchased from partners at transfer price, or from third parties

JV marketing straightforward

Project non-recourse debt can be backed by buyer contracts, not partners





## **TOLLING: LIQUEFACTION AS INFRASTRUCTURE**

Standard structure for US GOM projects and places where liquefaction developers are not gas owners

Project earns toll rather than gas revenue; minimal commodity risk/reward

Toll contract frequently with gas supplier, who deals directly with buyer

Sometimes toll contract with buyer, who deals directly with upstream supplier

If project financed, financing on basis of toll contract





## **KEY GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT TERMS**

<b>MEMBERSHIP &amp; DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	Do all members fall in the same category, with the same rights and responsibilities? Is the vehicle a profit-generating one does it receive proceeds of LNG sales? Is it solely a cost-center, used to manage capital commitments and operating expenses? Are all profits distributed to members, or are some retained? Are there particular tax considerations for distributions?
DECISION MAKING & CONTROL	Establish management positions, rights and procedures in case of management conflicts Establish decision making bodies and procedures, including quorum and voting requirements: - Decisions requiring unanimity among members: stage-gate decisions / major capital commitments - Decisions that can be made with a super-majority - Decisions that can be made by a simple majority - Decisions that can be made by a single member, with regard to their share
CAPITAL CALLS	Once decisions have been made about committing capital: - How long do members have to contribute new capital - What happens if a member fails to meet a capital call, either short or long run?
EXPANSION TERMS	<ul> <li>HOA includes broad terms on expansion and third-party access including:</li> <li>Expansion process can be initiated by any AKLNG party, provided doesn't adversely impact others</li> <li>All parties have the right but not the obligation to participate</li> <li>Expansion parties pay costs and have exclusive access to incremental capacity</li> <li>How are these operationalized in the governance agreements?</li> </ul>



## **KEY GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT TERMS**

WITHDRAWAL TERMS	Either within LLC agreement or a separate contract: - Under what terms can a member leave the project? - How is work undertaken remunerated or the overall project valued? - Will a non-participating leaseholder provide gas to the project, and under what terms? Most details of withdrawal terms usually negotiated at the time, rather than in advance - Are there benefits and risks in seeking to codify these at this point?
SALE & TRANSFER RIGHTS & Responsibilities	What restrictions apply on members' ability to sell their project share, to other partners or third parties? What approval to members wanting to sell require, and what pre-emptive rights to other members have? - Rights of first refusal? - Tag-along rights? - Drag-along rights?
OPERATORSHIP & SHARED Services	Will one member act as operator? - How will this relationship be codified? - Will this be for FEED and/or Execution phases, or also once operations begin? How will access be provided to North Slope shared infrastructure and services?



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### **CASE STUDY: ELK-ANTELOPE AND PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS**

Oil Search

landholders

Total (%)

Indirect participating interests

PNG Government and

#### **DEC 2013**:

#### **NEWS RELEASE**

INTEROIL SELECTS TOTAL SA FOR PNG GAS DEVELOPMENT

- Transformational transaction to monetise InterOil's Elk-Antelope fields
- InterOil to maintain a material 30% interest in integrated LNG development
- Highly-credentialed partner to facilitate certainty of development
- Illustrative final transaction price of US\$1.5 US\$3.6 billion (for a range of 5.4 9.0 tcfe of hydrocarbon gas equivalent), with payments to be based on appraisal drilling and certification
- Limited conditions with completion expected in Q1 2014

#### Gross Interests in PRL 15, post-acquisition of the Pacific LNG minority interests in PRL15

			PARTICIPACTOR CONTRACTOR		
Entity	Gross interests pre-transaction	Gross interests post-transaction	Net working interests post-transaction		
InterOil	75.6114	38.7097	30.0		
Total SA	0	61.2903	47.5		
Indirect participating interests	24.3886	0	0		
PNG Government and landholders1	0	0	22.5		
Total (%)	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Assumes the Papua New Guinea Government and landholders in PRL15 exercise their rights under the NG Oil and Gas Act to take					

their respective 20.5% and 2% interest in the licence when a petroleum development licence is issued.

#### Oil Search buys into Elk-Antelope fields in Papua New Guinea

#### FEB 2014: MELBOURNE, Feb. 27 02/27/2014 By Rick Wilkinson OGJ Correspondent

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Oil Search Ltd. has signed a deal to acquire a 22.835% stake in retention licence PRL15 containing the Elk and Antelope fields in the eastern Highlands of Papua New Guinea for \$900 million.

The deal involves the acquisition of 100% of Pac LNG Group (formerly Pacific LNG), which is affiliated with the privately owned Swiss banking firm Clarion Finanz AG. The transaction is unconditional and expected to settle within 2 weeks.

Pac LNG holds the 22.835% interest in PRL15 as well as being a major shareholder of InterOil Corp., which in turn currently holds a 75.6114% stake in the Elk-Antelope permit.

InterOil brought France's Total SA into the PRL15 permit last December for a 61.3% stake in a deal worth \$3.6 billion. That deal is due for completion by the end of this year's first quarter.

Oil Search will fund its Pac LNG acquisition with the placement of 149.39 million fully paid ordinary shares to the PNG Government at \$8.20 (Aus.)/share.

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#### FEB 2015:



French major Total will retain its foothold in Papua New Guinea's emerging LNG sector, after an international arbitration ruling confirmed the validity of its acquisition of a stake in the promising Elk-Antelope gas resource.

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### FINANCIALLY, TRANSCANADA DEAL IS AKIN TO A LOAN

TransCanada shoulders a share of SOA's capital commitments and Alaska repays over time with tariff

SOA cash outlays fall by \$1.7 bn (no buyback) to \$1 bn (buyback) during development period



#### STATE OF ALASKA: CASH FLOWS FOR ALASKA LNG (70% DEBT / 30% EQUITY)



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### TC'S SHARE OF CASH IS RELATIVELY SMALL

TC's share ranges from 1% to 7%, depending on price levels and state's exercise of buyback



PERCENT OF CUMULATIVE CASH FLOWS OVER PROJECT LIFE, 25% EQUITY CASE

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## TRANSCANADA TARIFF OFFER WITHIN US MARKET NORMS

Capitalization structure (75:25 debt:equity) is more weighted toward debt than average FERC pipeline Cost of equity (12%) and debt (5%) below average; weighted cost of capital (6.75%) near bottom of group



SOURCES: ENALYTICA BASED ON "FORM 2/2A - MAJOR AND NON-MAJOR NATURAL GAS PIPELINE ANNUAL REPORT," 2012



### TC INVOLVEMENT HAS STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES

	Financial	Non-Financial
Pros	<ul> <li>Substantial portion of initial capital cost not borne directly by state</li> <li>Attractive tariff terms relative to US pipeline market norms</li> <li>Exit from potential AGIA liabilities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Expansion-oriented partner to drive future expansion development</li> <li>Presence at negotiation table, especially during early, project-defining stages</li> <li>Execution capabilities</li> <li>Continuity and momentum</li> </ul>
Cons	<ul> <li>State pledge of "full faith and credit" to tariff may be equivalent to bearing costs directly - liability likely capitalized</li> <li>Significantly higher cost of capital</li> <li>State reimburses TC in full with interest in all circumstances - even if TC decides to terminate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>State retails almost all risk, but gives up significant control</li> <li>Potential 'partner alignment' cost</li> <li>Potential loss of transparency to state of key project components</li> </ul>



## TRANSCANADA DECISION POINT APPROACHES

SOA has until December 2015 to:

-execute a Firm Transportation Services Agreement (FTSA)

-exercise Equity Option (EO) to buy-back 40% of the 25% portion of pipe & GTP held by TransCanada Until gas supply/balancing issues and marketing approach are sufficiently resolved to enable SOA take an RIK decision, SOA has no gas and cannot sign an FTSA

From here two routes are possible:

### Terminate relationship with TransCanada

- Pay TransCanada development costs to date + AFUDC (April 2014 Pre-FEED estimate: ~\$70mm)
- Appropriate additional funds to conclude pre-FEED work program without TC
- Plan for SOA to fund full 25% share of FEED program (  $\widetilde{}$  \$450-500mm vs  $\widetilde{}$  200-320mm)

Continue relationship with TransCanada

- Renegotiate timeline for decisions, to ensure RIK decision can be reached before FTSA



## **KEY QUESTIONS** TO ASK RE TRANSCANADA

**Project timetable** TC heavily involved in pre-FEED; who takes over and what's the impact?

Negotiations TC still represents state in negotiation; how will SOA advance expansion principles?

**Expansion** SOA relied on TC to drive expansions; what is SOA plan now?

Withdrawal In case of withdrawal by one party, might having TC help?



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## NEW LNG MARKET: **BOOM** AFTER YEARS OF TIGHTNESS

LNG supply grew little in 2012–2014 due to limited capacity additions and utilization problems LNG market coped mostly by re-directing gas from Europe and North America to Asia and Latin America Supply response (new project development) after years of tightness is showing up; and oil has crashed In 2010–2014, global LNG capacity grew by 58 mmtpa; in 2015–2019, it will grow by 150 mmtpa



SOURCE: ENALYTICA BASED ON IGU WORLD LNG REPORT 2015, COMPANY REPORTS AND PRESS RELEASES, INDUSTRY PRESS



## UNITED STATES L48 MAIN SOURCE OF NEW LNG SUPPLY

Since 2000, LNG industry has sanctioned 21 mmtpa of new capacity each year, range from 0 to 52 mmtpa Three waves (68% total): Qatar (2001–2005), Australia (2007–2012) and now US L48 (2012–present) Since first L48 LNG project was sanctioned in 2012, 60% of new capacity has been from L48



SOURCE: ENALYTICA BASED ON IGU WORLD LNG REPORT 2015, COMPANY REPORTS AND PRESS RELEASES, INDUSTRY PRESS



## ERA OF SUPER-EXPENSIVE LNG IS OVER (FOR NOW)

Between 2007 and 2012, the cost of developing LNG projects rose dramatically Several LNG projects in Australia cost over \$2,500 per ton of capacity US L48 projects are much cheaper even accounting for fact that they do not include upstream costs Alaska's current cost structure is closer to Oz LNG projects than to L48 projects



SOURCE: ENALYTICA BASED ON COMPANY REPORTS AND PRESS RELEASES; INCLUDES GREENFIELD AND BROWNFIELD PROJECTS; US PROJECTS (2012 ONWARDS) INCLUDE ONLY MIDSTREAM

## **NEW PRICING EXPECTATIONS POSE CHALLENGE FOR AK LNG**

Lower oil prices and US-based LNG have reshaped pricing expectations for buyers The average price for LNG into Japan was around \$8.50/MMBtu in June/July 2015 LNG from the L48 could reach Japan for a price around \$7.50 to \$10/MMBtu Market will change until mid 2020s, but environment has changed; cost competitiveness is crucial



ESTIMATED US-BASED LNG IN JAPAN VS. JAPAN BORDER PRICE

SOURCE: ENALYTICA BASED ON DATA FROM ENERGY INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION, TRADE STATISTICS OF JAPAN, ST LOUIS FRED



## IN ALL MARKET SCENARIOS, AK LNG NEEDS A BIG PUSH

Previous booms halted due to policy (Qatar moratorium) or costs (Australia); but Lower 48 "limitless" LNG contract prices can converge towards Henry Hub plus

Suppliers match US-based LNG because buyers can always turn to L48 to get supply

US LNG creates a floor for LNG pricing, but market overshoots (overhang)

Suppliers refuse to match US-based LNG, especially in contract roll-overs (expirations); US LNG keeps growing and creates overhang

Henry Hub based LNG is priced out of the market

Higher Henry Hub, lower oil prices or lower LNG costs price Henry Hub out of market.

**US-based LNG is somehow restricted** 

US LNG supply remains competitive but market either avoids over-exposure to US or US policymakers seek to restrict LNG (energy) exports



## LNG PROJECTS ALL ABOUT MANAGING LONG-TERM RISK

LNG projects take many years (often decades) to "arrange" but most money is spent during construction

LNG consists of making big upfront investments (for 4-5 years) that repay capital over 20+ years

Risk management across the board (technology, commercial, fiscal, political, etc) is key to success



**LNG PLANT CASH FLOW: TYPICAL PLANT** 



## **RIK/EQUITY APPROACH HELPS MANAGE LONG-TERM RISK**

### Alignment

RIK structure transforms state from taxing authority to co-venturer, with capital at risk

State has equal interest in reducing project costs and maximizing project competitiveness

### **Capital Commitment**

State equity investment retains revenue benefits for state but improves Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) for companies, since no longer responsible for capital commitment to monetize state entitlement; helps make marginal project viable



### **STABLE, DURABLE FISCAL TERMS KEY TO LONG-TERM RISK** Reaching FID is a process of 'nailing down' details to reduce risk and uncertainty to manageable level Extensive technical and engineering work to define exact scope of project cost and potential overruns

Negotiated LNG Sales Purchase Agreements strictly define scope of commodity price and offtake risks

Without stabilization, potential that future terms changes could cause major economic deterioration Once capital has been committed, without stabilization, limited ability to protect against changes Fiscal stability a particularly big issue for:

- High cost projects (marginal economics, easily eroded)
- Jurisdictions with high resource-rent dependence (strong incentives to change terms)
- Jurisdictions with histories of unstable terms



## **PROPERTY TAX HAS A MAJOR IMPACT ON ECONOMICS**

### Why property tax matters?

Lots of money (e.g. \$1 bn, or up to \$1/mmbtu)

Long construction period

**Regressive (fixed regardless of revenue)** 

Possibly contentious (given history)



### What does a good framework look like?

Clear formula (simple)

Predictable / stable

Balanced (fair, equitable)

**Enables project development** 



SOURCE: ENALYTICA BASED ON DOR, REVENUE SOURCES BOOK (VARIOUS EDITIONS); DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ALASKA TAXABLE (VARIOUS EDITIONS)



### MORE PREDICTABLE PROPERTY TAXES: TWO APPROACHES

### **Negotiated PILT**

Simple, stable \$/mcf payment Numerous payment profiles possible Contractual - stabilization implicit Separated from property assessment

### \$/mcf Property Tax

Emulate PILT \$/mcf figure through property tax Depreciation/Inflation - limited levers Additional stabilization essential Link to property assessment remains



### FISCAL STABILITY CASE STUDY: PACIFIC NORTHWEST LNG



#### B.C. signs LNG deal with Petronas-led group, but tax promises criticized

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The B.C. government has signed a development deal with Pacific NorthWest LNG in an aggressive move to spur the Malaysian-led project to become the first major Canadian exporter of liquefied natural gas.

The pact spells out the tax regime and LNG rules for the long term, aiming to reduce the risks for the project's Asian backers.



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**ENERGY & RESOURCES** Video: Can Petronas overcome the opposition to its LNG project?

B.C. Premier Christy Clark and Pacific NorthWest LNG president Michael Culbert signed a memorandum of understanding Wednesday, clearing the way for the project development agreement's ratification later this year from the B.C. legislature.

"There has been a lot of work getting here in obtaining and securing a \$36-billion investment and there's still a lot of work ahead of us," Ms. Clark said during a news conference in Vancouver. "We've worked hard to build strong

partnerships with First Nations and that work is still under way, as is the federal government's regulatory process for environmental approvals."

#### LNG protected from tax hikes for 25 years in deal with B.C. government

Finance Minister unveils details of agreement with Pacific NorthWest LNG CBC News Posted: Jul 06, 2015 6:06 PM PT | Last Updated: Jul 11, 2015 5:22 PM PT



Finance Minister Mike de Jong takes rep ers' questions on Monday after revealing the government is granting the LNG industry a 25-year tax freeze. (CBC)



the plant starts shipping. Finance Minister Mike de Jong released details on Monday of the \$36billion deal it reached in May with Pacific NorthWest LNG, a consortium

led by Malaysian energy giant Petronas which wants to build an LNG export terminal near Prince Rupert.



LNG consortium if taxes on the industry are raised, natural gas tax credits are reduced or new carbon taxes targeting the LNG sector are imposed. But the minister says the agreement does not protect the company from increases in provincial sales and corporate taxes.

De Jong says the deal gives the company the certainty it needs to make a final investment decision on a project he says should contribute more than \$9 billion into provincial coffers in its first decade and create up to 4,500 jobs.

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## **SOA / PRODUCERS MAY VIEW STABILIZATION DIFFERENTLY**

Growing convergence on the need for fiscal stabilization, including constitutional amendment But the details of what stabilization means and how to achieve it could still prove controversial

#### **APPROACH**

Fiscal system fully contractualized

### Contract defines and locks down all fiscal matters that will govern AKLNG

# Stabilization fully specified in precise detail, and guaranteed for all terms

**PROS** 

#### CONS

Most constrictive approach Contract creates fiscal terms 'from whole cloth' - significant deviation from historical statutory approach; more like a PSC

## Statutory fiscal system, guaranteed by contract

Contract locks down fiscal system as set by statute at the time of signature and provides for remedies to any statutory changes down the line All terms have reference in statute and/or established practices

### What is stabilized and what isn't? Harder to deal with matters that are determined through regulation or agency interpretation rather than statute.



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## HOW TO JUDGE AGREEMENTS THAT COME TO LEGISLATURE?

Wearing a project hat

**Project timeline** Does this agreement push the project forward or does it delay it?

**Competitiveness** Does this agreement make AK LNG more competitive in the market?

Ability to change Is this a "final" decision or is there opportunity to revisit / adjust later?

Wearing an owner hat

**Risk and reward** To what risks does this agreement expose the state over time? What's the upside?

**Risk management** What tools can the state employ to manage this risk? What's the cost of those tools?

**Risk tolerance** How much of this risk is the state willing to take?

Wearing a sovereign hat

**Organization** How to set up environment, structure and responsibilities to manage project?



### WRAP-UP

LNG projects are big, complex beasts and they take years from inception to execution; this is normal The agenda may be daunting, but AK LNG has made enormous progress over the past few years Given multiplicity of issues, SOA will engage in lots of back-and-forth to find right answer Market is getting tougher and AK LNG will need a strong push to compete But Alaska has a strong history in LNG business and other assets that it can capitalize on



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