

#### **Commercializing Alaska's North Slope Natural Gas**

#### **Anchorage Downtown Rotary**

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### **State's Objectives**

- Secure a stable, affordable, long-term energy supply for Alaskans
- Commercialize Alaska's enormous North Slope gas resource
- Maximize the value of state's royalty and tax gas
- Generate revenue, jobs and economic growth
- Facilitate further oil and gas development





# **AGDC Origins**

- Initially, AGDC created as a public response to concerns over declining Cook Inlet gas supplies
- Brown out drills; Long-term contracts with utilities uncertain
- High energy costs persist in the Interior
- Fairbanks air quality crisis due to wood and coal combustion – health and environmental concern
- Collectively, this created new sense of urgency to get North Slope natural gas to Alaskans

#### Estimated North Slope Gas Resource – 33+ Trillion Cubic Feet





# **Corporate Authority**

- AGDC has primary responsibility for developing an Alaska LNG project on the state's behalf
- AGDC may acquire a direct ownership interest in any component of an Alaska LNG project
- AGDC may enter into contracts related to treating, transporting, liquefying or marketing gas
- AGDC shall assist DNR & DOR to:
  - Maximize the value of the state's gas resources
  - Provide economic benefits in the state
  - o Provide revenue to the state





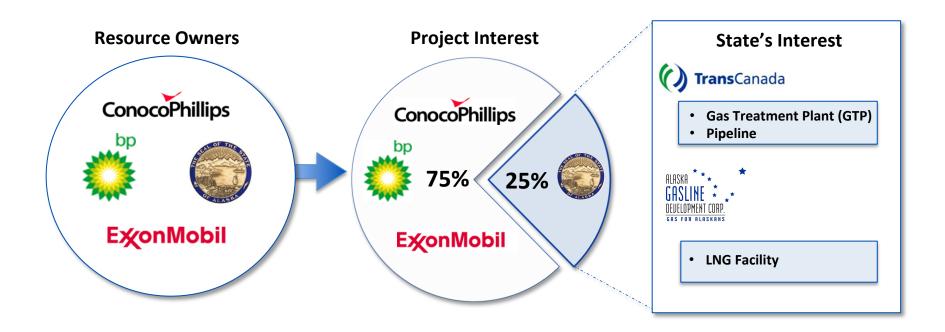
# Alaska LNG

- State is partnered with ExxonMobil, BP, ConocoPhillips and TransCanada
- \$45-\$65 billion, integrated liquefied natural gas (LNG) project, designed principally for the Asian export market
- 99% of North Slope resource owners represented in the project
- State of Alaska 25% equity; will ship and market its royalty and tax gas
- Treatment at Prudhoe; 800-mile pipeline; intermediate compression; LNG plant and marine facilities at Nikiski terminus





# Alaska LNG Project Participation



- AGDC holds State's interest in downstream: LNG Facility
- TransCanada holds State's interest in mid-stream: Pipeline & GTP





### **Legislative Special Session**

Legislature just convened in Juneau to consider a \$157.6 mill appropriation request:

- \$68.4 mill Acquire TransCanada's mid-stream interests in the project
- \$75.6 mill Fund state's full 25% share of remaining pre-FEED
- \$13.6 mill Fund state agency participation through the end of FY16 (June 2016)

If approved, AGDC would assume the state's full 25% equity position in the project





# AGDC Ability to Assume TC's Role

- Currently holds state's interest in LNG facility a complex and expensive component in the integrated project
- Completed FEED on the Alaska Stand Alone Pipeline (ASAP) project
- Credentialed professionals with industry and megaproject backgrounds
- Technical staff available to fill key positions:
  - Subject Matter Experts (SME) based in Alaska
  - Key roles in prior Alaska pipeline projects, including TAPS
  - Dedicated professionals committed to SOA interests





### **AKLNG Project Timeline**

Key Milestones	Date
Pre-FEED Initiated	July 2014
Conclude Pre-FEED	2016-2017
FEED Decision	2017
Conclude FEED (2-3 years)	2019
Final Investment Decision (FID)	2019-2020
Construction (5-6 years)	2020-2025
Project Complete/First Gas	2025-26



**Pre-FEED**: Preliminary Front-End Engineering and Design **FEED**: Front-End Engineering and Design





#### Challenges

- By every standard, this is a world class construction project: \$45 to \$55 billion
- Alaska LNG is a giga-project: three megaprojects being executed simultaneously
- Regulatory and construction risks are higher when working in remote and engineering challenged areas of Alaska
- Low oil prices make large capital investments more difficult for producer partners





### Challenges

- Difficult to estimate long-term LNG demand and pricing
- Final Investment Decisions will be economically driven
- Competing against other LNG projects around the world – all looking to sell to the same buyers
- Balancing the risk/rewards of state equity participation in a challenging fiscal environment
- Balancing AGDC's duel mandate to deliver domestic gas at the lowest possible price – while maximizing

revenue from a non-renewable state resource



#### **Critical Success Factors**

- Maintaining public trust and confidence
- Maintaining alignment between State of Alaska and North Slope producers
- Timely completion of fiscal and commercial contracts
- Ensuring SOA's ability to advance independent, economically viable alternative if Alaska LNG falters
- Maximizing State's financial and other resources to accelerate an Alaska LNG FEED decision





#### **Questions?**

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