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AGDC Attends White House Infrastructure Summit

June 8, 2017 – Anchorage, Alaska – Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) president, Keith Meyer, today attended in Washington, D.C. an invitation-only “White House Infrastructure Summit.”

As part of President Trump’s Infrastructure Week, the meeting at the White House brought together select governors, mayors, and state officials to ensure “Administration policies align with the states’ specific needs,” according to a White House press release.

The event was hosted by U.S. President Donald J. Trump and was also attended by Vice President Mike Pence, Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke, Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao, National Economic Council Director Gary Cohn, and other Administration officials. AGDC was given the opportunity to present the Alaska gasline and LNG project alongside other national priority infrastructure project proposals.

“The fact the summit was attended by President Trump, Vice President Pence, and other top officials shows the Administration’s commitment to supporting large infrastructure developments like the Alaska gasline and LNG project,” said Mr. Meyer. After a working lunch hosted by Vice President Pence, there were breakout sessions chaired by Administration officials, and then a roundtable discussion chaired by President Trump.

During a breakout session chaired by Secretary of Commerce Ross, AGDC was able to discuss in detail ways in which the pipeline project can be accelerated through the reduction in permitting and through a greater reliance on states having greater authority in the permitting process for major infrastructure projects. “Alaskans know best how to construct in Alaska while also protecting the precious Alaskan environment,” said Keith Meyer. There were several focused discussions on specific ways to expedite large infrastructure projects, with Secretary Ross actively engaged in the dialog and taking copious notes.

Alaska LNG, which is an integrated natural gas infrastructure project with three major components: a gas treatment plant located at Prudhoe Bay, an 800-mile pipeline to Southcentral Alaska with offtakes for in-state use, and a natural gas liquefaction plant in Nikiski Alaska, continues to gain traction with Administration officials. In April, President Trump discussed Alaska LNG with Chinese President Xi Jinping during a meeting in Palm Beach. Over the following months, on separate occasions, Vice President Pence and Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke met with Mr. Meyer in Anchorage to discuss the project’s role in achieving American energy dominance.

“The Alaska gasline and LNG project is a large construction project, a large infrastructure project, and when completed is a major energy export project with close and direct proximity to America’s major trading partners in the Asia-Pacific region,” said Mr. Meyer. “Alaska LNG is positioned to move both Alaska, as well as all of America, forward.”



AGDC President Keith Meyer in working group chaired by Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross at the White House on June 8, 2017.



AGDC President Keith Meyer and Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross at the White House on June 8, 2017.

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The Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) is an independent, public corporation of the State of Alaska. Advancing the development and construction of a North Slope natural gas pipeline and LNG export terminal is its top priority. AGDC is charged with securing a long-term energy supply for Alaskans. Visit www.agdc.us for up to date information.