## Alaska LNG Project Update

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### Who is AGDC?



### The Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC):

- Independent, public corporation owned by the State of Alaska
- Created by the Alaska State Legislature
- Currently lead party for developing the Alaska LNG Project

**Goal:** Maximize the benefit of Alaska's vast North Slope natural gas resources through the development of infrastructure necessary to move the gas to local and international markets.

# Alaska LNG System



### **North Slope Gas Supply**

- 40 Trillion cubic feet (tcf) of discovered, conventional, and developed North Slope associated gas from Prudhoe Bay and Point Thomson
- This gas is stranded and can be produced at a low incremental cost

#### **Gas Treatment Plant**

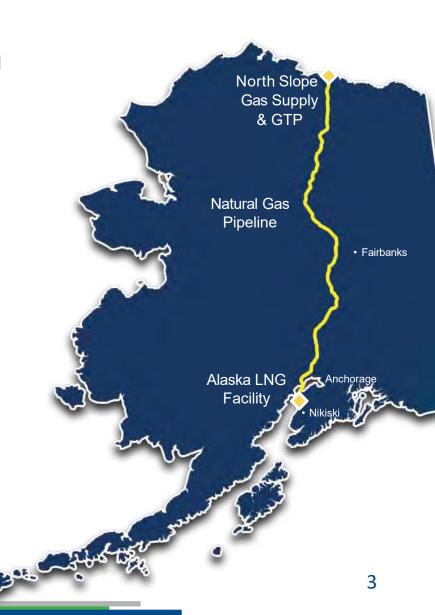
- Located in Prudhoe Bay adjacent to existing gas plants
- Removes and uses/sequesters carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) from raw gas stream

### **Natural Gas Pipeline**

- 807-mile, 42" dia. mainline from Prudhoe Bay to Nikiski, following TAPS and highway system
- Provides gas to Alaskans and LNG facility

### **Alaska LNG Facility**

- 20 Million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) LNG facility
- Converts natural gas to LNG for export to Asia
- 3 liquefaction trains, jetty, 2 loading berths and 2 x 240,000 m<sup>3</sup> LNG tanks



### **Alaska LNG Status**



### **Strong Economics**

- Alaska LNG has lower costs than its key competitors
- Cost of supply independently verified

#### **Federal Permits**

- Federal government has approved construction of Alaska LNG
- Acquiring permits took significant effort and they are valuable

#### **Environmental Benefits**

- Alaska LNG will reduce global greenhouse gas emissions
- LNG will continue to be an important energy source through energy transition



# **Purpose: In-State Gas & Export**

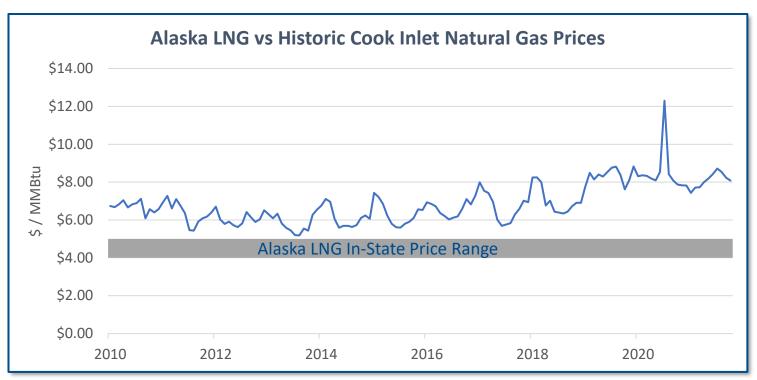


#### **Low-Cost Gas for Alaskans**

- The Alaska LNG in-state price is estimated to be between \$4 - \$5 per MMBtu
- Significant reduction from current prices, saving Alaskans hundreds of dollars per year

### **Enough Gas Supply for Alaskans**

- The pipeline is designed to supply more natural gas than the LNG plant needs
- Enough capacity for in-state demand to more than double



Source: EIA

# **The LNG Market Update**



LNG and natural gas spot prices remain high and are expected to stay high for the foreseeable future. This creates an opportune environment for development of Alaska LNG.



# **LNG Market Update**



- Best market in recent history for LNG developers speed is important
- The pace of new projects and agreements has picked with high LNG prices and the move away from Russian LNG supply
  - Venture Global took FID on Plaquemines LNG and is commissioning Calcasieu Pass (US Gulf Coast)
  - Tanzania signs framework with Equinor and Shell to advance LNG project
  - TotalEnergies awarded stake in Qatar's LNG expansion project
- Move away from Russian LNG is remaking the LNG map
  - Europe is still buying pipe Russian gas, scrambling to import more LNG
  - IOCs and LNG buyers are pulling out of Russian LNG projects and looking for new opportunities
  - JBIC suspends investment in Arctic LNG
- "Liquefied Natural Gas Prices will Steam Up Again" Wall Street Journal, June 13, 2022

### **LNG Demand Forecast**



### **LNG Market is Still Growing**

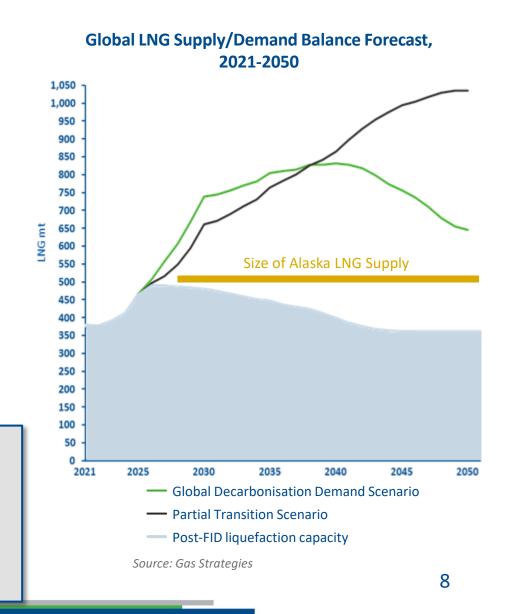
- Demand growth will outpace current and planned LNG capacity
- LNG growth expected as part of energy transition as natural gas emits half the greenhouse gases as coal

### **Investors and Buyers want LNG**

- New LNG projects expected to be sanctioned in 2022
- Most new projects have some degree of energy transition planning
- Under both energy transition scenarios, LNG demand exceeds supply for the expected life of the Alaska LNG Project

"...raising capital for these very capital-intensive [LNG] projects has not really been that much of a challenge to the industry. I think that sends a strong signal of confidence that this [LNG] is going to be around for a while."

-Dan Brouillette, President of Sempra Infrastructure on NPR's Marketplace (Jan 3, 2022)



# **Cook Inlet Gas Supply**



- Railbelt Utilities Announced Working Group:
  - Includes all major railbelt utilities
  - Assessing future gas supply needs and energy security in Cook Inlet
- AGDC met with utility group:
  - Provided project update
  - Offered to provide detailed cost and economic information
- The Alaska LNG Project and the pipeline are the best option to replace Cook Inlet gas:
  - Secure, low-cost supply for Alaskans
  - If not constructed, Alaska may need to import LNG to replace Cook Inlet gas



# **Wood Mackenzie Cost of Supply**



# Wood Mackenzie Updated their 2016 Alaska LNG Competitiveness Analysis

- Wood Mac independently calculated Alaska LNG cost of supply
- AGDC took on the recommendations from the 2016 report to reduce the cost of supply

# Wood Mackenzie's 2022 Report Verified that Alaska LNG Cost of Supply is now Competitive

- Transition from 100% equity funding to nonrecourse project finance with a tolling model largest driver of cost reduction
- Since 2016 report, this sort of commercial model has been used to finance the growth of the U.S. LNG industry

#### 2016 Report



#### 2022 Update



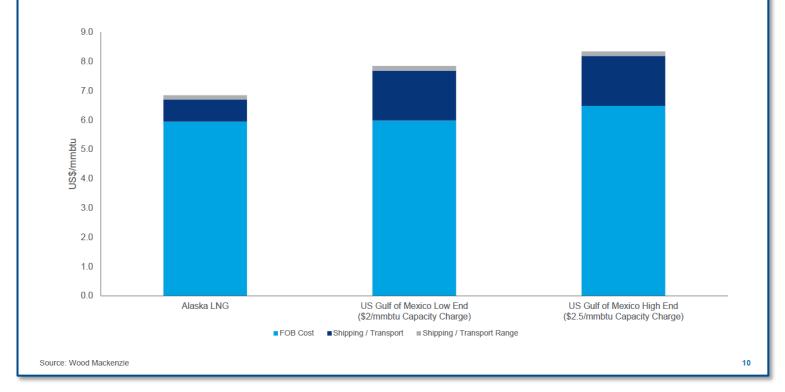
# **Wood Mackenzie Cost of Supply**





With the cost optimization and new debt structure, Alaska LNG is competitive against US Gulf Coast LNG Projects

Comparison of Breakeven cost of supply for delivery into North Asia



Slide from 2022 Wood Mackenzie Alaska LNG Competitiveness Analysis

### **Federal Loan Guarantee**



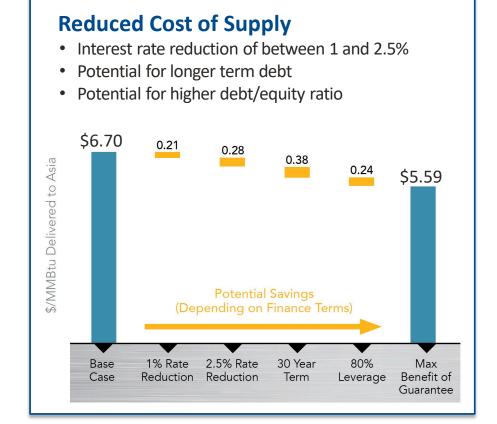
The full faith and credit of the United States will be pledged to pay the principal and interest on \$26.3 billion of Alaska LNG debt in the event of a default

# The Infrastructure Bill includes a loan guarantee for Alaska LNG

- Principle amount of debt guaranteed up to \$26.3 billion (adjusted for inflation)
- Up to 80% of the capital cost
- Term of up to 30 years
- Loan guarantee will be subject to credit terms and requirements of the loan program

### Benefits of the loan guarantee

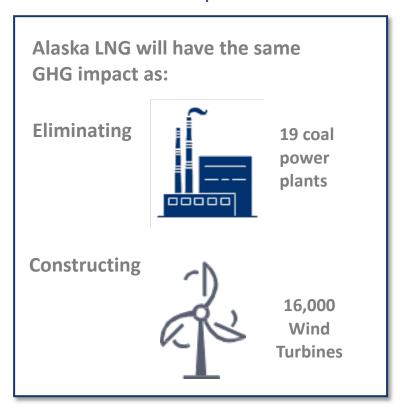
- Reduced cost of supply
- Completion risk mitigation
- Federal government support and "skin in the game"



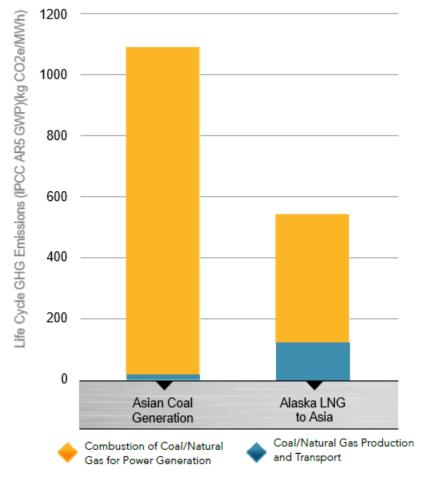
### **Greenhouse Gas Emissions**



A lifecycle analysis of Alaska LNG shows it reduces greenhouse gas emissions for electric power generation by more than 77 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e per year in comparison to Asian coal derived power



# Lifecycle GHG Emissions for Natural Gas vs. Coal Power



Source: Greenhouse Gas Lifecycle Assessment: Alaska LNG Project

# **Transition to Private Developers**



Replacing the Producers with Infrastructure Developers is critical to improving project economics and continuing to move Alaska LNG forward

2013 - 2016

2017 - 2022

2022 - onward

### **Producer Led**

Producers provided initial scoping and engagement – important demonstration of producer support

### **State Led**

State-led initial design,
permitting and
authorization – important
demonstration of state
support

### **Developer Led**

Handoff to infrastructure developers who require lower profits and lower risk – reduces the cost of the project and improves economics

# **Alignment of Strategic Parties**



- Advancing the structure and leadership of the project with Strategic Parties consisting of:
  - North Slope producers
  - A major pipeline developer (Enbridge)
  - LNG buyers
  - Banks and financial corporations
- These parties have the technical and financial capacity to bring this project to completion
- Strategic parties have a combined market capitalization of \$1.25 trillion
- Focus is an LNG Facility Strategic Party with significant market capitalization and an LNG development track record

# **Japan Trade Mission**



- Japan Trade Mission with Governor Dunleavey:
  - Purpose of trip was to invite Japanese companies to join a consortium to advance Alaska LNG and invite support from government entities for Japanese investment in the Alaska LNG Project
  - AGDC President and Venture Development team accompanied
  - Presented Alaska LNG Project and Alaska's ability to supply LNG and ammonia to meet Japan's energy transformation goals
  - Opportunity for executive follow-up on past commercial discussions
  - Attended meetings with government entities that can provide financial support to a Japanese consortium's investment in Alaska

### Meetings held with:

- JERA
- Tokyo Gas
- INPEX
- Mitsubishi

- METI
- JOGMEC
- JBIC
- U.S. Ambassador

- TOYO Engineering
- Chiyoda
- MOL

# **Alaska Hydrogen Opportunity**





50 years ago, the modern LNG industry was created in Alaska. For many of the same reasons, the clean hydrogen industry can also be created here in Alaska.

Carbon Storage and Sequestration at the Project Site on Tidewater

**Short Distance to Growing Clean Hydrogen Markets in Asia** 

Low-GHG Natural Gas from Conventional Supply

Existing Ammonia Plant well Positioned to be First Mover in Market

# **Alaska Hydrogen Opportunity**



Natural Gas is transported to Cook Inlet via Alaska Gasline

Natural

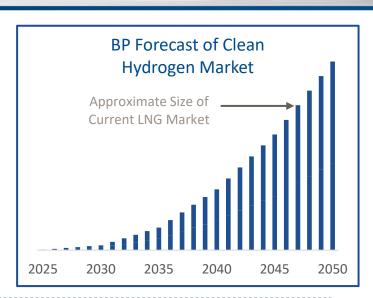
Gas

Natural Gas is
Converted to
Hydrogen/
Ammonia & CO<sub>2</sub>

Hydrogen Ammonia

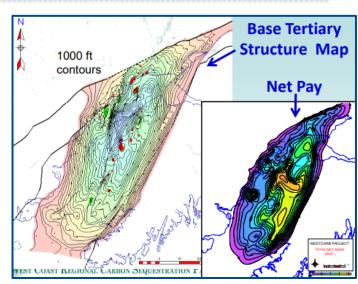
 $CO_2$ 

- Hydrogen/ammonia are clean energy sources
- Key Asian markets forecast rapid demand growth
- Infrastructure funding available for investment in Alaska



 Cook Inlet has the best carbon sequestration potential on the Pacific Coast of North America

 Allows for "futureproofing" Alaska LNG with transition to net-zero hydrogen/ammonia production



# Alaska H2Hub Proposal

ALASKA GASLINE \* \* DEVELOPMENT CORP. \* \*

- Letters of Intent with private parties in progress
- \$625K of proposal development funding secured from Legislature and Governor
- DOE Notice of Intent (NOI) issued June 6,
   2022
- Next milestone will be Funding
   Opportunity Announcement (FOA) and go/no-go stage gate











# **Moving Forward**



- Alaska LNG is economic and needed to fill projected LNG demand
- Alaska LNG has all federal permits
- Alaska LNG will contribute to significant reductions in worldwide greenhouse gas emissions
- Alaska LNG will provide energy security for Alaska and our country's allies
- Working with world-class private-sector Strategic Parties to provide investment and lead the Alaska LNG Project forward
- Encouraging Alaskans to rally behind the project

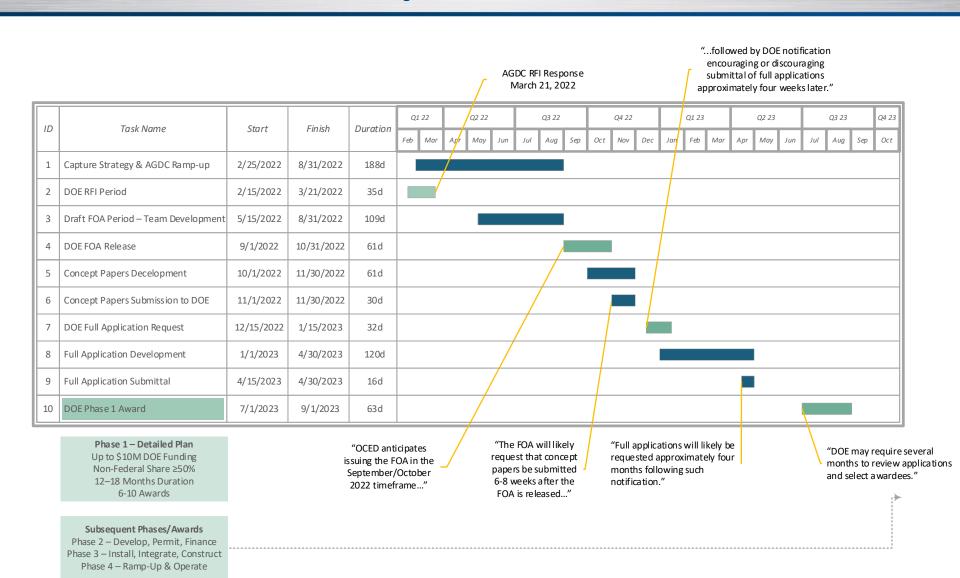


# **Backup Slides**



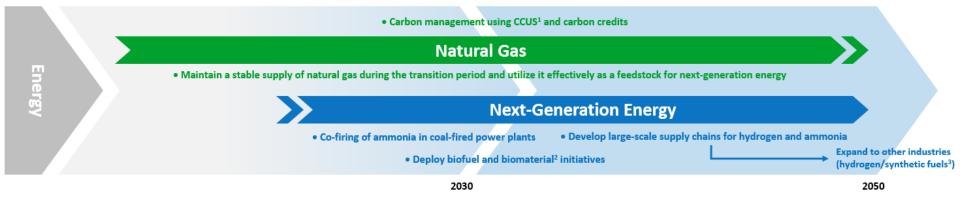
# Alaska H2Hub Proposal Schedule





### **Japanese Approach to Energy Transformation**





1 Carbon capture, utilization, and storage 2 Sustainable fuels and materials made from biological resources 3 Clean fuels produced with hydrogen and CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere or industrial sources, etc.

### Alaska can provide what Japan needs for energy transformation:

- Stable long-term supply of LNG
- Transition to supply of clean supply of ammonia
- Carbon capture and sequestration

# **Alaska Delegation Support**



- Working with Senator Murkowski on federal options to support Alaska LNG Project
- Senator Sullivan's message on Alaska LNG during congressional visit to Japan and Korea:
  - U.S. has shared values and provides geopolitical stable source of energy
  - Energy supply from strategic partner
  - Strengthens trade relationships
  - Alaska LNG is fully permitted project
  - Alaska has best carbon sequestration potential on Pacific coast of North America

# **North Slope Production**



#### Stranded

- Alaska LNG is the only permitted opportunity to monetize
- No commodity price exposure or risk
- · Supply price will reflect stranded gas assets





- · Approximately 40 tcf of proven reserves
- 8.5 bcf is reinjected into fields daily
- Unit owners are ExxonMobil, ConocoPhillips, Hilcorp (formerly BP)





- No enhanced recovery or "fracking" required
- Existing gas on State of Alaska lands
- Limited new drilling required



Alaska's Oll & Gas Company

Upstream infrastructure and large-scale production facilities are already in place on the North Slope.

At the request of the producers, Alaska authorities approved natural gas sales to Alaska LNG.

Revenue from gas sales will offset declining oil revenues.

