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## IMPACT TO STATE OF ALASKA FROM TRANSCANADA OWNERSHIP IN AKLNG PROJECT

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#### BACKGROUND

- As part of exploring an equity position in the Alaska LNG ("AKLNG") Project, the State of Alaska ("the State" or "SOA") is contemplating a commercial arrangement with TransCanada wherein TransCanada provides the State with transportation services through the GTP & Pipeline components of the AKLNG Project for the entirety of the State's Gas Share on terms consistent with those developed in the AGIA process
- As part of this commercial arrangement, TransCanada will fund development of the mid-stream assets during the pre-FEED stage and provide the State with an equity option to purchase an interest of up to 40% in the mid-stream assets prior to entering the FEED stage of the project. This means the State would receive up to 40% of the equity return TC receives and be responsible for up to 40% of the cost during FEED and ultimately, construction and operation.



## **SCOPE OF ASSESSMENT & KEY ASSUMPTIONS**

- The purpose of this analysis is to evaluate the impact of TransCanada's ownership in the AKLNG project on the State of Alaska
- This study analyzed two different alternate levels of State equity participation and State Gas Share 20% and 25%
- Under each equity alternative case, three ownership scenarios were analyzed to demonstrate the benefit of TransCanada's participation in the AKLNG project:
  - SOA Ownership State retains ownership in its 20%-25% share of the GTP and Pipeline
  - TransCanada GTP + Pipeline Ownership TC assumes the State's 20%-25% share of the GTP and Pipeline
  - TC Ownership + SOA 40% Buyback TC assumes the State's 20%-25% share of the GTP and Pipeline, but SOA exercises an option to buy back 40% ownership in these components at the beginning of the FEED stage of project development
  - In all three scenarios above, the State retains its 20%-25% share of the LNG Plant
- Key terms proposed for TC's services provided to the State include:
  - Debt/Equity: 70/30 through first year of operation; 75/25 thereafter
  - Return on Equity: 12% plus rate tracker
  - Cost of Debt: 5% plus rate tracker
- It is assumed that there is a 6% opportunity cost associated with any equity investment by the State (reflecting assumed returns from the Constitutional Budget Reserve Fund)

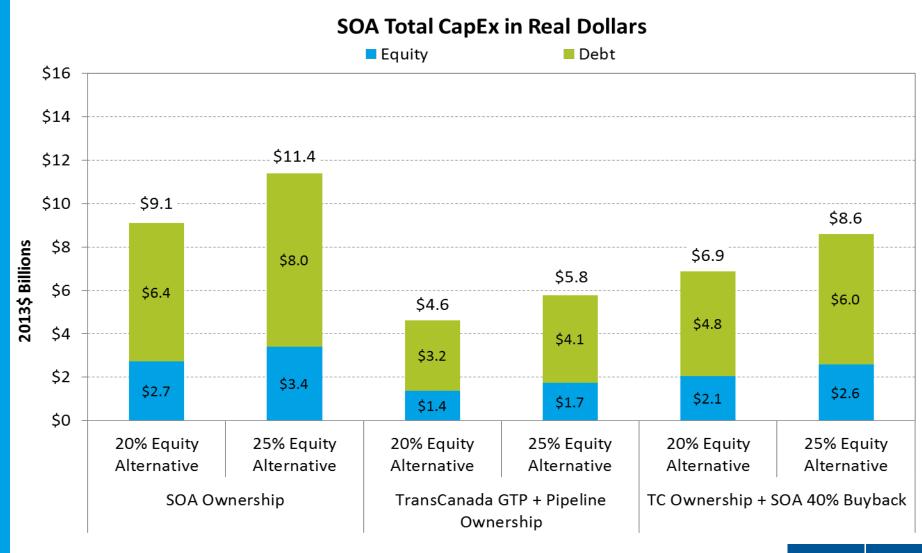


#### **KEY FINDINGS**

- TransCanada's participation in the AKLNG project can reduce the State's total investment in the Project by between \$2 billion and \$5.5 billion depending on the total equity stake ultimately owned by the State
  - Assuming a 70/30 debt to equity ratio for the State, TransCanada's participation in the AKLNG project can reduce the equity investment required from the State by between \$600 million and \$1.7 billion depending on the total equity stake
- TransCanada's involvement creates additional value of \$3-\$6 billion on a cash flow basis and between \$600 million and \$1 billion on an NPV basis for the State of Alaska through the initial 30 year project life
- TransCanada with its extensive Arctic experience brings value to the State as a Builder, Owner, Operator for the State's interests in the mid-stream of the Alaska LNG Project
- Additionally, TransCanada brings the benefit of being a 3<sup>rd</sup> party pipeline company whose interests lie in maximizing the volumes of natural gas it treats and transports and hence in maximizing the development of North Slope gas resources

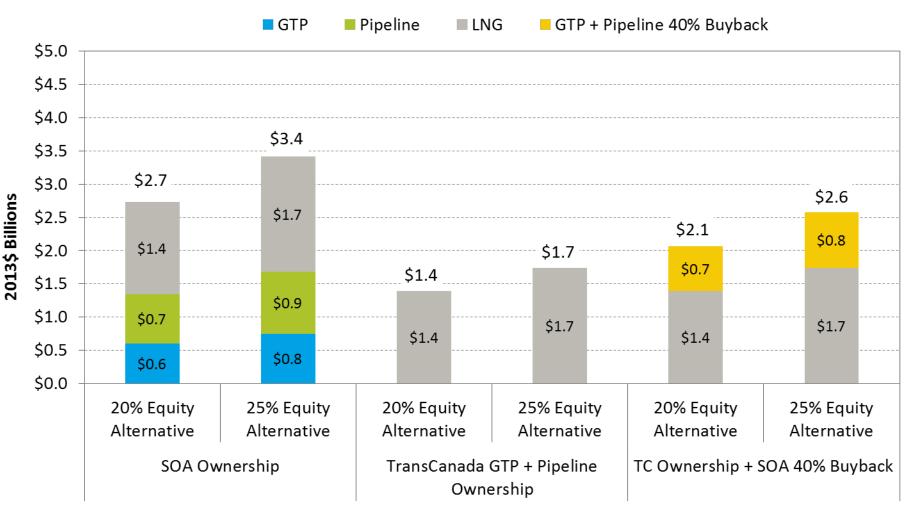


# **STATE OF ALASKA TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT (IN 2013\$)**



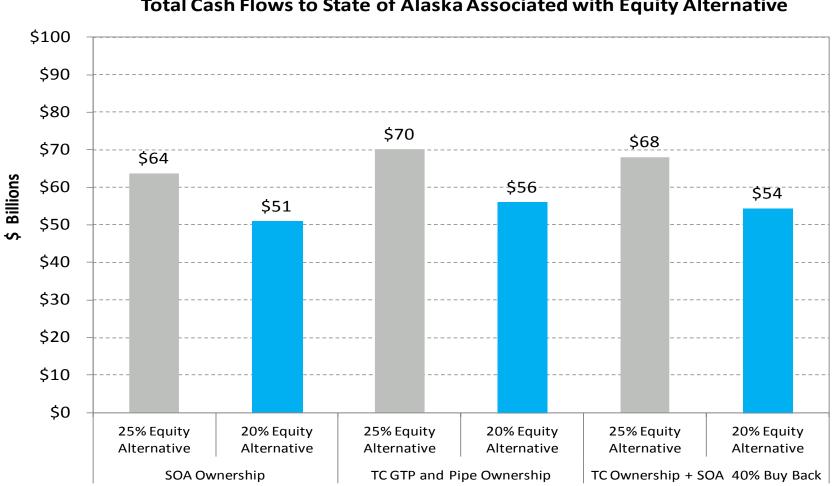
## **STATE OF ALASKA EQUITY CASH CALLS\* (IN 2013\$)**

#### SOA Equity CapEx in Real Dollars



\*Assumes a 70/30 debt/equity split for the State's investment

#### **STATE OF ALASKA TOTAL CASH FLOWS ASSOCIATED** WITH EQUITY ALTERNATIVE\*

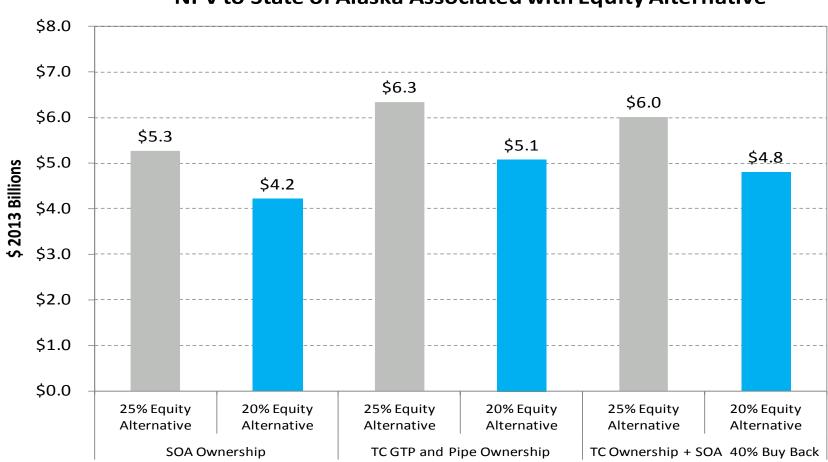


**Total Cash Flows to State of Alaska Associated with Equity Alternative** 

**P** \* Total cash flows over initial 30 years; Values include the estimated impact of opportunity cost to the State which may not be a cash flow element

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# STATE OF ALASKA NPV $_{\rm 10}$ ASSOCIATED WITH EQUITY ALTERNATIVE\*



NPV to State of Alaska Associated with Equity Alternative

\* NPV of total cash flows over initial 30 years discounted at 10%

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