Panama Canal Expansion Shipping Domestic Crude from the US Gulf to the USWC

Crude-by-Water North America Conference Houston, Texas





- Motive -- Why move it?
- Means -- What would move it?
- **Opportunity** -- Will there be a chance to move it?



USWC Refiners & Motivation for USG Crude



After two years of stability, renewed declines in Alaskan crude production leads PADD5 output lower



PADD5 Crude Production

Sources: EIA, Makai Marine Advisors



Stable crude runs and declining regional production would boost PADD5 crude import requirements



PADD5 Crude Runs by Source

Sources: EIA, Makai

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PADD5 refineries have the heaviest crude slate in the US, given the quality of Californian crude production...



PADD5 Average Gravities by Source

Sources: EIA, Makai

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...but have the refinery configuration to deal with it, with highest concentration of cokers in US, relative to distillation capacity



Sources: EIA, Makai

Sources: Various, Makai

With lower coking capacity, Washington refineries feature a lighter crude import slate than California



California Crude Imports by Grade

Sources: EIA, Makai

Washington Crude Imports by Grade



Sources: EIA, Makai

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Expanded imports of AG and Latin American grades most likely replacements for declining ANS and CA heavy production



Sources: EIA, Makai

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Verdict: West Coast refiners seeking new crudes, but have limited interest in surplus USG light crudes and condensates

- USWC refining system faces rising import requirements from declining production of ANS and California heavy crudes
- Eagle Ford condensate not a good match for California refining system, with heavy crude configuration and negligible naphtha demand
- Washington refineries run a lighter crude slate, but Bakken-by-rail a better match for refiners and regional demand
- California refineries can replace local heavy grades with Latin American, but need medium/sour replacement for ANS besides AG grades
- Possible interest in blending lighter USG grades with heavier crudes to mimic ANS
- Condensate processing might be favourable if surplus naphtha provides triangulation trade with Asian jet/diesel imports, once CA economy recovers and product deficits return



Panama Canal Expansion



New Panama Canal lock dimensions would allow all Aframaxes and *most* Suezmaxes to transit physically



Draft restrictions for new locks would imply deadfreight for all Suezmaxes, but unlikely for normal Aframax/LR2 cargo sizes



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Proposed Panama Canal tolls to charge tankers usual capacity charge, plus a cargo carried charge, for new locks





Sources: ACP, Makai

Panama Canal Universal Measurement System (PC/UMS) based roughly on total vessel volume

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New Panama Canal locks offer economies of scale for vessels up to average Aframax size, then deadfreight limits gains

Proposed Panama Canal Tolls by Vessel Size, US\$/tonne



Sources: ACP, Makai

Jones Act Suspects



Nine of the large Jones Act vessels could transit the new Panama Canal locks, but seven would face significant deadfreight

Vessel Name	dwt	Deliv Year	Deliv Mo	Age Yrs	Shipyard	LOA m	Beam m	Draft m	Owner	Trade
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ALASKAN EXPLORER	193,049	2005	3	9.9	NASSCO	287.25	50.00	18.75	Alaska Tanker (OSG/Keystone/BP)	AK/USWC
ALASKAN FRONTIER	193,049	2004	8	10.5	NASSCO	287.25	50.00	18.75	Alaska Tanker (OSG/Keystone/BP)	AK/USWC
ALASKAN LEGEND	193,048	2006	8	8.5	NASSCO	287.25	50.00	18.75	Alaska Tanker (OSG/Keystone/BP)	AK/USWC
ALASKAN NAVIGATOR	193,048	2005	11	9.2	NASSCO	287.25	50.00	18.75	Alaska Tanker (OSG/Keystone/BP)	AK/USWC
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POLAR ADVENTURE	141,740	2004	9	10.4	Avondale	272.70	46.20	17.52	Polar (ConocoPhillips)	AK/USWC
POLAR DISCOVERY	141,740	2003	9	11.4	Avondale	272.69	46.20	17.52	Polar (ConocoPhillips)	AK/USWC
POLAR ENDEAVOUR	141,740	2001	4	13.8	Avondale	272.69	46.20	17.52	Polar (ConocoPhillips)	AK/USWC
POLAR ENTERPRISE	141,740	2006	1	9.0	Avondale	272.70	46.20	17.52	Polar (ConocoPhillips)	AK/USWC
POLAR RESOLUTION	141,740	2002	5	12.7	Avondale	272.69	46.15	17.52	Polar (ConocoPhillips)	AK/USWC
EAGLE FORD (ex-KODIAK)	124,644	1978	5	36.7	Sun Shipbuilding	264.88	41.46	16.77	Seacor/Access (ex-XOM)	USG
SIERRA	125,133	1979	1	36.0	Sun Shipbuilding	264.88	41.46	16.76	Keystone (ex-XOM)	AK/USWC →USG
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LIBERTY BAY	115,000	2014	6	0.6	Aker Philadelphia	251.10	43.80	15.00	ExxonMobil	AK/USWC
EAGLE BAY	115,000	2015	1	0.0	Aker Philadelphia	251.10	43.80	15.00	ExxonMobil	AK/USWC

Sources: SeaWeb, Alaska Tanker, ConocoPhillips

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Higher vessel volume for larger Jones Act vessels would boost canal costs versus typical fleet dimensions

Proposed Panama Canal Tolls by Vessel Size



Sources: ACP, Makai



Combined with higher canal capacity charges, deadfreight producing substantial unit costs for Jones Act vessels

Proposed Panama Canal Tolls by Vessel Size, US\$/tonne



Sources: ACP, Makai

Opportunity: Potential for USG crude movement to USWC





Declining ANS production and distribution to USWC refineries to provide 33% drop in tonne-mile demand for Alaska fleet by 2019



Sources: EIA, CA Energy Commission, Company Reports, Makai

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Sliding ANS tonne-mile demand would allow release of 300 kdwt from the Alaska fleet by 2021, under constant utilisation



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Surplus tonnage on Alaska/USWC trade could potentially move 40-50 kbpd of USG crude to West Coast refiners



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Jones Act tonnage could deliver USG crude and condensate to USWC refiners for \$5/bbl

-	Polar	Sierra	XOM Aker
Age, years	11.5	30.5	0.5
FOC Vessel Value, US\$ millions	38.0	N/A	57.0
Vessel Value, \$US millions	133.0	33.3	200.0
Scrap Age, years	35	40	35
ROIC	9.00%	9.00%	9.00%
Current Opex, US\$/day	32,200	40,300	28,500
Breakeven TCE, US\$/day	76,000	72,000	90,800

Valuation & Cost Assumptions

Indicative Freight Costs, US\$/bbl



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Jones Act freight costs for USG/USWC crude trade would exceed typical spreads between ANS and USG light marker grades

ANS Premium/(Discount) to LLS St. James, Weekly



Sources: Bloomberg, Platts, Argus, Makai

Kinder Morgan resurrecting Freedom Pipeline, with new focus on delivering ANS-like crude mix preferred by USWC refiners

Conclusions

- USWC refiners need replacements for declining ANS and California heavy crude
- USG light crude and condensates not their first choice
- Panama Canal expansion will allow Suezmaxes to transit with deadfreight, but Aframax becomes optimal size for new locks
- Nine of larger Jones Act vessels could transit the new Panama Canal locks, but most would face significant deadfreight
 - ExxonMobil's new Aframaxes would be optimal, but unclear if any surplus capacity
 - High vessel volumes relative to typical dimensions, boosts Panama Canal costs for larger Jones Act candidates
- Demand for Alaska/USWC fleet would drop 33% by 2019, potentially releasing 300 kdwt, that could move 40-50 kbpd from USG to USWC
- Jones Act cost structure and higher Panama Canal costs would make it difficult for USG/USWC movements to overcome ANS/LLS differentials

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