

The Keystone XL Project and the Climate Change Discussion

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Overview

TransCanada Overview

- Asset base
- Keystone XL
- Greenhouse Gas Management Program

GHG Emissions and the KXL Project

- Pipeline emissions
- Oil sands GHG emissions in context
- Life cycle analysis
- Fundamental issues







TransCanada Corporation

One of North America's Largest Natural Gas Pipeline Networks

- 68,500 km (42,500 mi) of pipeline
- Average volume of 14 Bcf/d or 20% of continental demand

North America's 3rd Largest Natural Gas Storage Operator

• 406 Bcf of capacity

Canada's Largest Private Sector Power Generator

- 21 power plants, 11,800 MW
- Diversified portfolio, including wind, hydro, nuclear, coal, solar and natural gas

North American Oil Pipeline System

• 1.4 million Bbl/d ultimate capacity*

*Keystone Wood River/Patoka and Cushing Extension sections in operation Gulf Coast pipeline project under construction Keystone XL pipeline project in development Houston Lateral pipeline project in development **Trans**Canada

KXL - Project Overview



- 875 miles of 36" pipe
- 830,000 barrels per day
 - Up to 100,000 barrels per day of light crude and synthetic crude products from the Bakken
- Includes 20 pump stations
 - Pumps driven by electric motors





North America Crude Oil Demand





- The USGC imported more than 1.6 billion barrels in 2012, of which 320 million barrels were Venezuelan crude
- The US remains a net importer of crude oil beyond 2040 to meet its energy demand
- PADD 1 [965]
 • Majority of the imports in the USGC have been and will continue to be medium and heavy crude oil

• Keystone XL will safely and securely bring Canadian heavy crude to the USGC to displace heavy imports from Venezuela



North American Pipeline Systems





- More than 2 million miles of pipeline in the US enable safe movement of energy products
- Majority of pipelines operate underground, so their role is unnoticed
- Safest and most efficient form of transportation for petroleum products



Keystone Right-of-Way Before & After





Near David City, Nebraska • Spread 5B Construction Photo above taken June 15, 2009 Photo below taken August 25, 2010





North of Yankton, South Dakota • Spread 4B Construction Photo above taken May 27, 2009 Photo below taken August 26, 2010





TransCanada's GHG Management Programs



Improving energy efficiency

- Engine/system efficiencies
- Waste heat recovery

Implementing methane management programs

- LDAR
- Pulldowns
- System outage decision model

Funding research and development projects

- Compressor station blowdown
 capture
- Oxy fuel combustion





Research and Development Program



Four technology focus areas, one of which is focused on environmental research (air, GHG, soil, animals, water)

Projects areas include:

- Methane management
 - Recovery of CS blowdowns
 - Supersonic ejectors
- Combustion processes and energy systems
 - Oxy Combustion
 - Fuel cell applications

Proceedings of IPC 2010 8th International Pipeline Conference September 27-October 1, 2010, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

IPC2010-31015

Thermodynamic and Economic Assessment of an Oxy-Combustion CCS System Applied to Gas Turbine-Driven Compressor Stations

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Figure 4: Process flow diagram of an O2-blown semi-closed CO2 cycle with two steam pressure stages





The KXL climate change debate is centered around the "incremental" GHG emissions arising from heavy crude products from Canadian Oil Sands and transported by KXL.

Fundamentally three issues:

- What are the upstream emissions?
- What is being displaced by products carried by KXL?
- Will Oil Sands production grow without KXL?



Oil Sands Emissions





Oil Sands contribute less than 0.2% of global emissions



Oil Sands Emissions - Context



• Total oil sands GHG emissions in 2011 were 55 million tonnes

Source: Environment Canada 2012

- Equivalent to 3.2 per cent of the emissions from the U.S. coal-fired power generation sector in 2011
- Natural gas-fired electricity generated in the U.S. produces 409 million tonnes/year in 2011
- U.S. emissions from transport and for generating electricity from coal total over 3.4 billion tonnes/year

Source: Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2011, April 12, 2013



CERA Wells to Wheels GHG Emissions (kg CO2e/barrel of refined product)



Average wells to wheels for oil sands 14% higher than average crude refined in US (wide boundary basis)*

BUT

The most likely alternative heavy oil supply to Gulf Coast is Venezuelan crude "*which is in the same GHG emissions range as oil sands.*"**

Average US Barrel refined in the US Irag - Kirkuk Blend Kuwait-Saudi Arabia - Eocene Mexico Maya North Sea- Mariner Canadian oil sands Mining dilbit Venezuela Bachaguero US MARS **Oil sands Primary: CHOPS** Iraq Basra Light Canadian oil sands Mining bitumen... Nigeria - Bonny Light Canadian oil sands Primary -... Canadian oil sands SAGD dilbit Average oilsands refined in US. **US Belridge South** Canadian oil sands Mining SCO Canadian oil sands CSS dilbit Venezuela Zuata Sweet **US Kern River** Canadian oil sands SAGD bitumen **US** Cymric Venezuela Petrozuata Canadian oil sands CSS bitumen Canadian oil sands SAGD SCO **US Midway Sunset**





* IHS CERA, Getting the Numbers Right, November 8, 2012



US Department of State, Draft Supplemental EIS, March 2013:

• Approval or denial of the Project is "unlikely to have a substantial impact on the rate of development of oilsands....The incremental indirect lifecycle emissions associated with those decreases in oil sands production are estimated to be in the range of 0.07 million to 0.83 million metric tonnes CO2 equivalent..annually"

IHS CERA Report, August 5, 2013:

 Incremental GHG emissions from the pipeline would not be substantial as the most likely alternative heavy oil supply to the Gulf Coast is Venezuelan crude "which is in the same GHG emissions range as oil sands. Consequently, if oil sands were not consumed in the Gulf Coast, there would be little to no change in the overall GHG intensity of the US crude slate."



Realities



- Energy infrastructure always poses stakeholder trade-offs
 - Critical infrastructure for some, inconvenient and unnecessary for others
- Global crude demand is static
 - Theoretic life-cycle analysis is academically interesting, but likely
 not predictive of the future
 - Global emissions from oil sands are relatively small in any case







Discussion topics...





