International Travel Final Report

Honourable Dale Nally 2019 Mission to Japan and Korea November 15-23, 2019



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Overview:

Honourable Dale Nally, Associate Minister of Natural Gas, led an official delegation to Japan and Korea from November 15-23, 2019. The objective of the mission was to promote Alberta's energy industry to potential natural gas and petrochemical investors, to build and maintain relations with Asian energy players, and to champion Alberta's natural gas sector.

Mission Objectives:

 Pursue opportunities with Japan and other Asia countries regarding investment in Alberta's energy sector in cooperation with Energy Industry and Regional Economic Development entities, including opportunities across the natural gas value chain.

Results:

Associate Minister's participation in the mission to Asia provided strong opportunities to promote natural gas and related investment in Alberta, establish and reinforce connections and synergies with targeted international stakeholders, and meet with potential investors across the full value chain.

In addition to attending GZERO, the Minister participated in bilateral meetings and speaking engagements. Bilateral meetings were selected for level of influence in natural gas and energy value chain investment, policymaking and subject-matter expertise. Meeting themes included:

- Importance of energy security and diversity of supply:
- International interest in western Canadian and Alberta natural gas, particularly in liquefied natural gas projects on the west coast and petrochemical opportunities in Alberta;
- Challenges for Alberta and Canada in competing with incentives and geography of other jurisdictions; and
- Interest in partnerships and support from the Government of Alberta to advance Canadian liquefied natural gas and petrochemical projects.

Delegation: Honourable Dale Nally, Associate Minister of Natural Gas, one political staff member, and one departmental staff member.

Final Itinerary:

Friday, November 15, 2019 – Saturday, November 16, 2019	Travel and arrival in Tokyo, Japan
Sunday, November 17, 2019	Provide opening remarks at GZERO Summit reception dinner
Monday, November 18, 2019	 Meeting with Canadian Ambassador to Japan Attend GZERO Summit conference proceedings and panel discussions Meetings with international investors and energy companies
Tuesday, November 19, 2019	 Meeting with Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Japan and Business Council of Canada Meetings with international investors and energy companies Event at the Residence of the Canadian Ambassador to Japan
Wednesday, November 20, 2019	 Meetings with international investors and energy companies Tokyo Gas LNG Import Facility Tour

	Travel to Seoul, South Korea
Thursday, November 21, 2019	 Meeting with Ambassador of Canada to South Korea Meetings with energy companies
Friday, November 22, 2019	Meetings with energy companies KOGAS LNG Terminal Tour
Saturday, November 23, 2019	Depart for airport and return to Alberta

News Release:

"Promoting Alberta natural gas in Asia" https://www.alberta.ca/release.cfm?xID=660963791C94F-AB42-B031-1D5E7F92938ED246

International Travel Final Expenses

Expenditures by Participants	Amount
Travel (includes airfare, airport service fees, ground transportation costs, including taxis, car rentals, parking, trains, buses as well as mileage to/from airport or taxis to/from airport in Alberta, including any cancellation fees)	\$8,668.98
Accommodation (room charges and related taxes)	\$5,635.96
Meals (includes restaurant bills and tips, meals on hotel bills, per diem meal claims, share of group meals or working sessions)	\$2,960.64
Incidental and Miscellaneous (includes cell phone rental charges, incremental costs for all electronic devices such as roaming charges for cell phones, iPads and costs associated with communications such as the costs incurred for media call-backs, conference/registration fees, including cancellation fees, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and inoculation fees, laundry and dry cleaning, baggage handling, out-of-country per diems, and other sundry expenditures)	\$1,480.30
Sub-Total	\$18,745.88
General Mission Expenditures	Amount
Receptions and Hosting (receptions, luncheons, dinners, and events that are hosted by the Government of Alberta that are specific to the mission and include meeting related costs for room rental, room rental for hosted events, food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, entertainment, flowers)	\$404.22
Incidental and Miscellaneous (includes translation of document fees, publications, shipping charges, gifts purchased specifically for mission, Canadian Embassy/High Commission/Consulate charges for services provided to the GOA)	\$0.00
Sub-Total	\$404.22
Total Costs	\$19,150.10