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**APPENDIX :**  
**Carrier Sekani Tribal Council –**  
**Background Information**

- The following are CSTC member nations:
  - Nadleh Whut'en First Nation
  - Nak'azdli Band
  - Stelat'en First Nation
  - Saik'uz First Nation
  - Tl'azt'en Nation
  - Ts'il Kaz Koh First Nation
  - Takla Lake First Nation
  - Wet'suwet'en First Nation (WFN has expressly indicated to the Province that they will not be working with CSTC with respect to LNG benefit negotiations, so information regarding this nation is not included in this Briefing Note – see Attachment #6 for information regarding WFN)
- The following proposed natural gas pipelines (with respect to which the Province is engaging in benefit negotiations with First Nations), transect the territories of one or more CSTC member nations:
  - TransCanada's Coastal GasLink;
  - Spectra's Westcoast Connector Gas Transmission; and,
  - TransCanada's Prince Rupert Gas Transmission System.
- The proposed Pacific Trails Pipeline project transects territories of some member nations; all affected CSTC member nations have signed a benefit agreement with the Province regarding this project through the First Nations Limited Partnership.

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- II ISSUE: Meeting with Carrier Sekani Tribal Council (CSTC) on a Government-to-Government (G2G) Agreement and LNG-related Pipeline Benefit Agreements
- III BACKGROUND:

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Provincial officials have been engaging Carrier Sekani Tribal Council (CSTC) and its member nations for some time regarding Pipeline Benefit Agreements (PBAs) associated with LNG development. (CSTC Backgrounder Attached). While Provincial officials identified the priority of completing the PBAs in a timely manner, in response to interests identified by CSTC, the Province also entered into a Natural Resource Protocol (Attached) to begin early discussions on a G2G Agreement.

IV DISCUSSION:

CSTC member nations are affected by three major natural gas pipeline projects intended to support LNG facilities. As part of its negotiation mandate, representatives from the Ministry have tabled financial benefit offers for these projects to CSTC. If completed, PBAs would provide<sup>s.16</sup>

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CSTC has been generally supportive of LNG development, subject to First Nation concerns regarding benefit sharing and environmental stewardship being addressed. Five CSTC Nations are part of the First Nation Limit Partnership which is supportive of the Pacific Trails Pipeline (Takla Lake and Tlazden are not part of FNLP).

As Provincial officials and CSTC representatives continue to negotiate, several outstanding issues have arisen that are impeding completion of the PBAs and impacting G2G negotiations.

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### G2G Discussions and Capacity Funding

CSTC are eager to advance discussions on a G2G Agreement.<sup>s.16</sup>  
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Provincial officials are prepared to commit to a schedule of discussions for the G2G Agreement.<sup>s.16</sup>  
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## V CONCLUSION

The Province is committed to working with CSTC member nations.

The Province is committed to completing the PBA Agreements, continuing work on the G2G Agreement, and providing opportunities for CSTC member nations to benefit<sup>s.16</sup>

Attachments: (5)

1. CSTC – Background Information
2. CSTC/BC Natural Resource Protocol
3. s.13; s.16
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