## **US WATERBORNE**

to Europe starting 13 September. An unnamed party put on subjects the Aframax Levantine Sea to Europe, loading 15 September.

## **Americas Pacific coast**

Values for heavy sour Canadian crude exported via the Trans Mountain Expansion (TMX) pipeline fell amid minimal demand for November delivery cargoes.

High-Tan crude fell 78¢/bl against January Ice Brent to a range of possible trade between \$10.80/bl and \$9.80/bl discounts. Low-Tan Cold Lake assessments weakened 65¢/bl against January Ice to \$9.80/bl and \$9.30/bl discounts.

Canada's largest petroleum producer agreed to drop a regulatory complaint after pipeline operator Trans Mountain modified some quality specifications for shipments on the recently commissioned TMX pipeline to make them more compatible with Enbridge's 3mn b/d Mainline system.

Canadian Natural Resources (CNRL) and other TMX shippers had expressed concerns that its crude specifications were too broad, which would invite blending of lower value products into the crudes.

Elsewhere, Alaskan North Slope (ANS) crude was heard changing hands at a \$1.55/bl premium for November delivery against November Ice Brent CMA, up 10¢/bl from the previous session.

ConocoPhillips and ExxonMobil are each scheduled to load Alaska North Slope (ANS) crude onto Suezmaxes in September for delivery to China, the most since April 2021, according to market sources and Vortexa data.

ExxonMobil will load the Stena Sunshine 18 September and ConocoPhillips booked the Athens Spirit to load 9 September at the Alaska port of Valdez, the sources said.

Market participants say ANS could be displaced at the US west coast after the May startup of the TMX pipeline, leading to the shipment of the medium sour crude to China.

US west coast pipeline, 3 Sep \$/bl				
	Basis	Diff to	Ice Brent	Outright
Light postings avg	Nov		+0.57	74.32
Heavy postings avg	Nov		-3.27	70.48
Americas Pacific coast \$/bl				
	Timing	Basis	Diff low/high	Low/High
del USWC				
ANS del	Nov	Nov CMA Nym	+5.47/+5.57	73.43-73.53
	Nov	Nov CMA Ice	+1.50/+1.60	
ANS del concurrent	Nov	Nov WTI	+5.47/+5.57	73.99-74.09
fob Vancouver				
Cold Lake	Nov	Jan Ice Brent	-9.80/-9.30	62.13-62.63
	Nov	Nov CMA Nym	-5.83/-5.33	
High TAN	Nov	Jan Ice Brent	-10.80/-9.80	61.13-62.13
	Nov	Nov CMA Nym	-6.83/-5.83	
ANS del USWC monthly volume-weighted average \$/bl				
		Basis		Diff
Aug		Ice CMA		+2.63
Sep		Ice CMA		+1.52
Oct MTD		Ice CMA		+1.81
Nov MTD		Ice CMA		+1.52

## Assessment rationale

The minimum volume was met and the assessment was calculated according to methodology for ANS.

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