The Province of Saskatchewan issues inaugural USD 1.0 billion 5-year Global Benchmark
Press Release – 1st June 2022

Bond Summary Terms

Issuer:	The Province of Saskatchewan
Issuer rating:	Aa1/AA/AA/AAL (Moody's/S&P/Fitch/DBRS) (All Stable)
Format:	SEC Registered Global
Amount:	USD 1.0 billion
Pricing date:	1st June 2022
Settlement date:	8th June 2022
Maturity:	8th June 2027
Coupon:	3.25% (semi-annual)
Re-offer Price:	99.995%
Re-offer Yield:	3.251% (semi-annual)
Re-offer Spread:	SOFR MS +55bps (UST 2.625% 05/31/27 + 33.5bps)
Listing:	Luxembourg Stock Exchange Euro MTF
Joint lead managers:	CIBC Capital Markets, National Bank of Canada Financial, RBC Capital Markets, TD Securities
ISIN:	US803854KQ02

Deal Highlights

- On Wednesday 1st June 2022, The Province of Saskatchewan, rated Aa1/AA/AA/AAL (Moody's/S&P/Fitch/DBRS) priced a new USD 1.0 billion 5-year note due on 8th June 2027 via CIBC Capital Markets, National Bank of Canada Financial, RBC Capital Markets and TD Securities.
- The transaction, marking the Province's first return to the USD SSA market since 1994 and inaugural USD Global Benchmark, priced at a spread of SOFR mid-swaps +55bps, equivalent to +33.5bps over the on-the-run 5-year US Treasury.
- The final orderbook attracted over USD 2.2 billion in demand from 57 investors across a broad range of geographies and investor types, a clear testament to the credit quality and efficacy of Saskatchewan's broad investor work prior to launch.

Execution Details

On Monday 23rd May 2022, The Province of Saskatchewan (ticker: SCDA) mandated CIBC Capital Markets, National Bank of Canada Financial, RBC Capital Markets and TD Securities as Joint Bookrunners to arrange a NetRoadshow presentation and a series of investor calls ahead of a potential SEC registered 5 year fixed rate USD benchmark transaction.

Following a week of investor marketing efforts, the mandate for a 5-year USD Global Benchmark was announced to the market shortly before 9:00 AM EST on Tuesday 31st May 2022 with IPTs of SOFR MS+ High-50s bps area.

The transaction enjoyed a very strong reception from the outset, with indications of interest in excess of USD1.6 billion (excl. JLM) by the time books opened shortly before 8:30 UKT on Wednesday morning. Guidance was revised to SOFR MS+57bps area at this juncture.

Momentum continued throughout the European morning with high quality demand coming from across the investor spectrum; reaching in excess of USD 2.1 billion by the time of the launch update at 6:15AM EST / 11:15AM UKT, at which point the spread was set at SOFR MS+ 55bps, reflecting a 2bp tightening from guidance and enabling the Province to comfortably size the transaction at $1.0 billion.

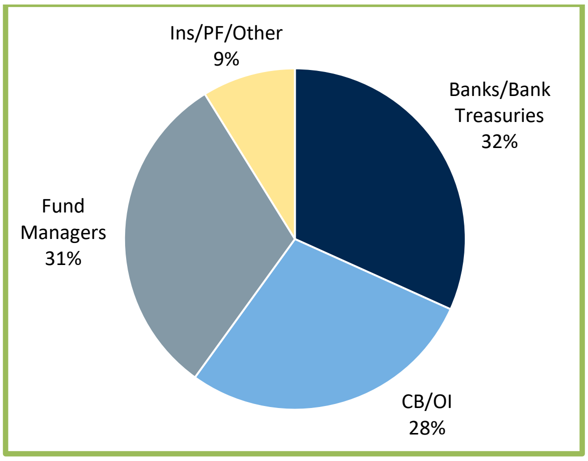
Books formally closed at 8:30AM EST in excess of USD 2.2 billion across 57 accounts. The transaction was officially priced at 10:36AM EST, with a coupon of 3.25%, a reoffer price of 99.995% and a reoffer yield of 3.251%.

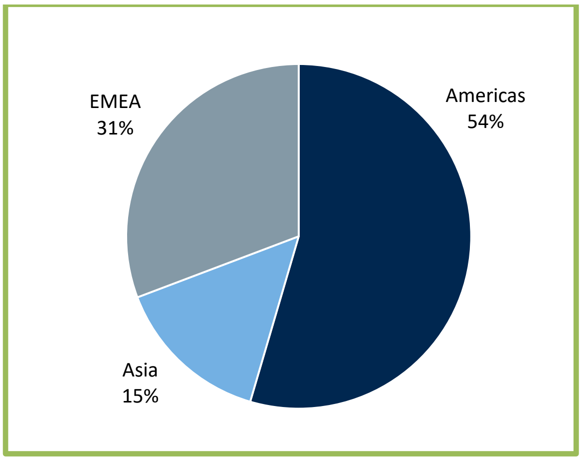
The transaction was exceptionally diversified across investor types with particularly strong interest from Central Banks & Official Institutions who took up 28% of the total allocation. Geographically, Americas investors were the largest constituents, taking 54% of allocations, with notable representation from EMEA (31%) and Asia (15%).

The transaction marks a key milestone for the Province in its return to the USD SSA market for the first time since 1994 and their inaugural USD Global Benchmark.

Investor Distribution:

By Investor Type		By Geography	
Banks/Bank Treasuries	32%	Americas	54%
Fund Managers	31%	EMEA	31%
Central Banks/Official Inst.	28%	Asia	15%
Insurance/Pension Fund/Other	9%		





Joint Lead Manager Quotes

Christina Cho, Managing Director Sovereigns Supranationals Agencies DCM at CIBC Capital Markets, said: "The Province has successfully added another tool to its debt management toolkit. The transaction saw fantastic investor reception, offering accounts a rare opportunity to add a new high quality issuer to their USD portfolios."

Scott Graham, Managing Director and Head of US Government and SSA Finance at National Bank of Canada Financial, said: "It was great to see and partner with the Province of Saskatchewan as they remerged after a 28-year hiatus from the USD Market. By all measures it was a great transaction. The $1 billion deal saw an extremely high quality, global and oversubscribed order book with a very diverse investor base. The demand and the price tension achieved during these very volatile markets speaks to the high credit quality of the Province and a well thought out and well executed funding strategy. It was a rare opportunity to be part of such a unique and outstanding transaction."

Jigme Shingsar, Managing Director at RBC Capital Markets, said: "The Province of Saskatchewan's first foray into the USD market since July 1994 was an unqualified success and the Funding team is to be congratulated for all of their hard work getting this transaction done. Since the last issue, Saskatchewan has made massive strides in terms of its fiscal situation and credit ratings which reflect a diversified economy that is particularly well positioned to weather the current global economic uncertainties. Investors responded very well to the Saskatchewan story as is demonstrated by the many high quality investors who followed up their participation in the investor relations program with sizeable demand."

Katie Davis, Director at TD Securities, said: "The Province of Saskatchewan's return to the USD market after nearly three decades was met with exceptional investor demand from a variety of regions and investor types. The Province put in hard work ahead of time meeting with global investors to ensure their story was marketed widely and understood properly. A two-time oversubscribed orderbook and considerable price tightening in this volatile market backdrop is an impressive outcome."