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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS RELATED TO THE FISCAL TERMS

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FISCAL ELEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

Overview

- The fiscal elements for the Contract and for the bidding round were designed to allow the State to capture the oil rent.

Elements defined in the Law:

Corporate income tax	30%
Contractual payment during the exploratory phase	First 60 months: 1,150 pesos x km ² , 2,750 pesos x km ² afterwards
Exploration & production activities tax	1,500 pesos x km ² during exploration, 6,000 pesos x km ² during extraction
Basic royalties	Variable formula that depends on prices
Ring-fencing: at the level of the E&P industry for Corporate income tax, and at the contract level for contractual payments.	

Elements defined on the Bidding Rules:

Cost-recovery limit	Up to 60% of income, per period
Adjustment Mechanism	Defined formula

Element to be defined during the Bidding:

State participation share of production	
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BIDDING MECHANISM

First-Price Sealed-Bid Auction

- Clear, transparent & simple award mechanism.
- It's the most common mechanism used around the world:
 - Angola, Brazil, Canada, United States, Indonesia, Nigeria, Peru and Venezuela, among others.

Bidding Mechanism

- Bidders will produce a sealed envelope for each and every block, specifying their offer or otherwise declining.
- All envelopes will be delivered at the beginning of the auction. Once delivered, the offers shall not be modified.
- The winner will be named during the event, although the Ruling will be formalized at a later date.

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BIDDING VARIABLES

Bidding Variables

- The bidding variables will be:
 - The State share of production.
 - Additional investment, over the minimum investment commitment for each Area.
- The award is done following objective criteria based on a predefined formula.
- The winner will be the bidder with the highest weighted value on the economic proposal (V), calculated as follows:

$$V = 0.90 * \text{State Share} + 0.10 * \text{Additional Investment}$$

Tiebreakers

1. Cash payment, and
2. Coin flip.

Reserve Prices

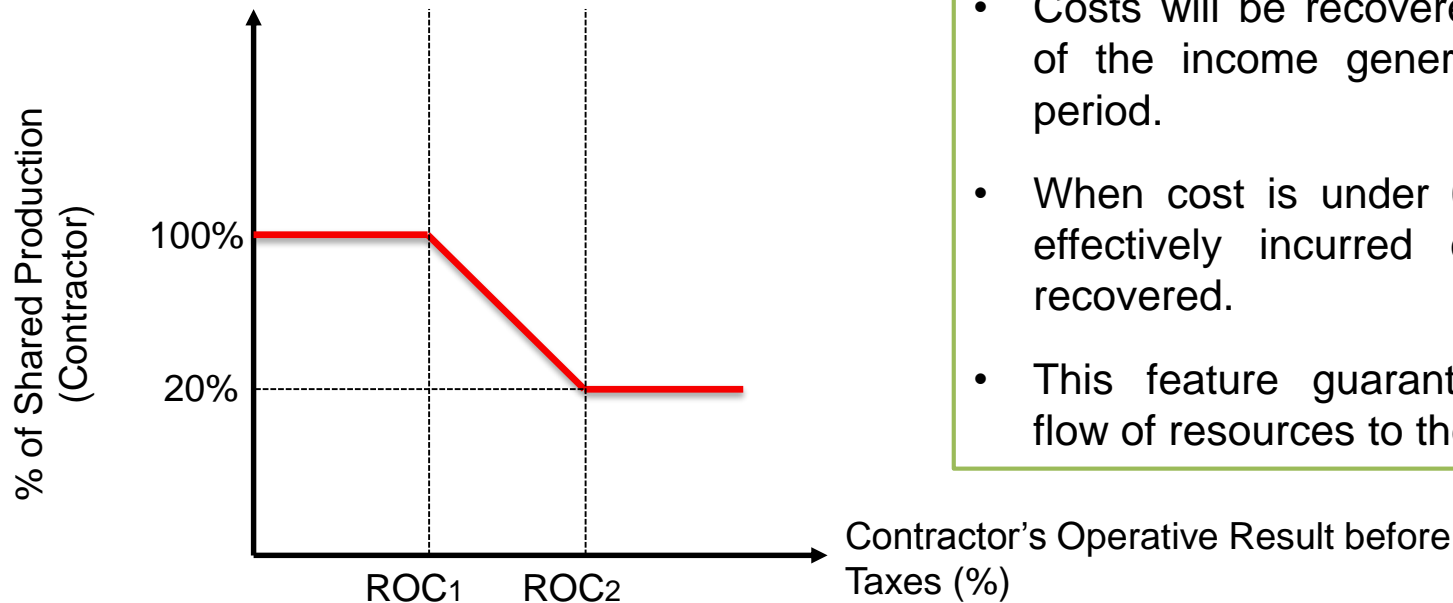
- The minimum reserve price will be established in advance.

PRODUCTION SHARING CONTRACTS

FISCAL REGIME – ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM

Adjustment Mechanism

- The Contract includes the formula for the Adjustment mechanism.
- The formula is continuous to avoid distortions.



Cost Recovery Limit

- Costs will be recovered, up to 60% of the income generated on each period.
- When cost is under 60%, only the effectively incurred costs will be recovered.
- This feature guarantees an early flow of resources to the State.

PRODUCTION SHARING CONTRACTS

FISCAL REGIME – OTHER PROVISIONS

Controls for the determination of recoverable costs

- Accounting rules for registering costs, expenses and investments.
- Cost concepts which are recoverable are established (already provided in the Law).
- In order to recognize recoverable costs, they must:
 - Be supported by CNH-approved exploration & development plans.
 - Reflect market conditions.
- External audits to guarantee compliance with financial information norms.
- Audits by SHCP, SAT & CNH.

Procurement Guidelines

- Established to guarantee market prices in the procurement of goods & services by the contractor, following OCDE Transfer Pricing guidelines.
- Expenses above 20 million dollars require through bidding processes.

Interaction with the Mexican Oil Fund

- Rules, dates and terms to receive and review the information related to contractual payments calculation and settlement.
- Information records will be established using electronic systems and electronic signature.