

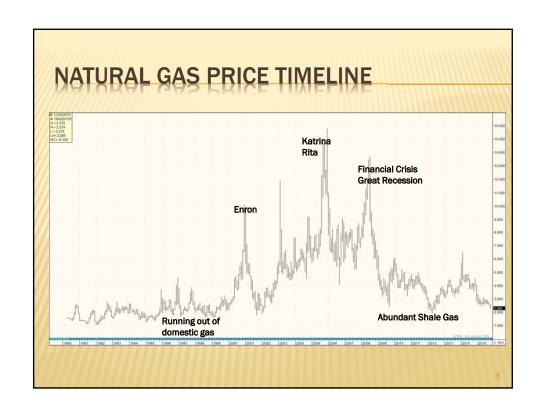
# The Economics of North American Oil and Gas

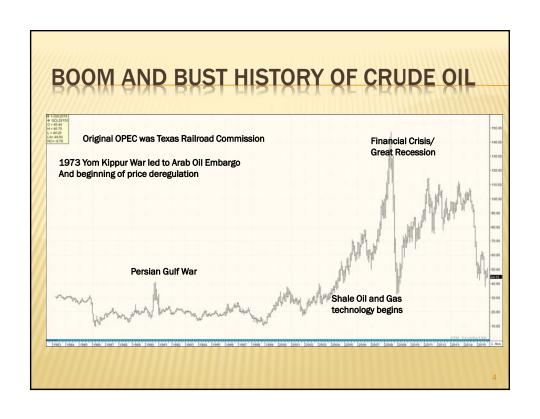
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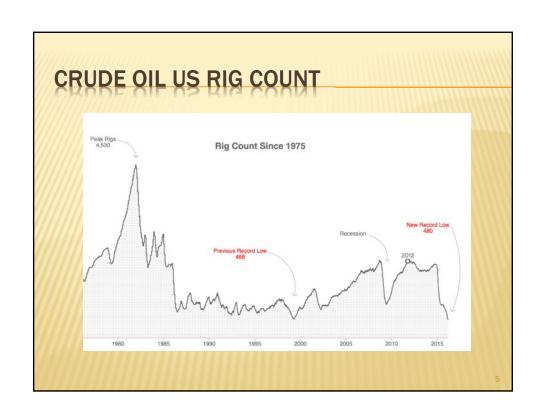


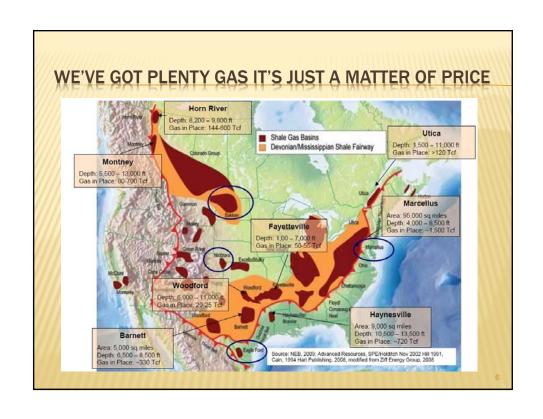
# **Today's Information**

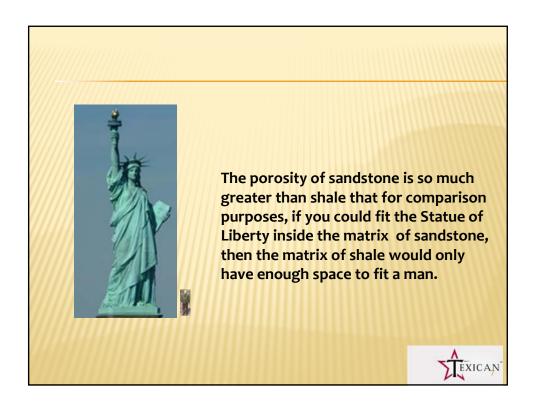
- Where do you get your information?
- \* Who has vested interest in the message?
- Did the "Stone Age" end because we ran out of stones?
  - + Technology's role in our energy future

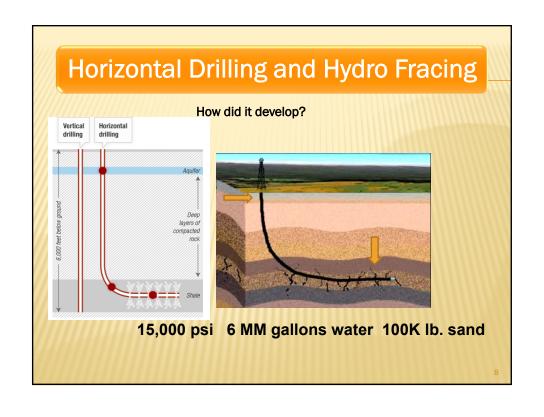


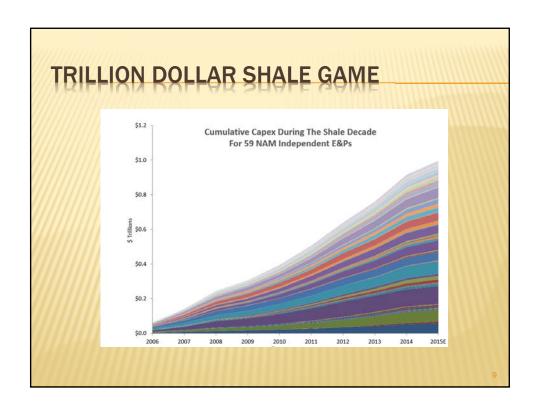






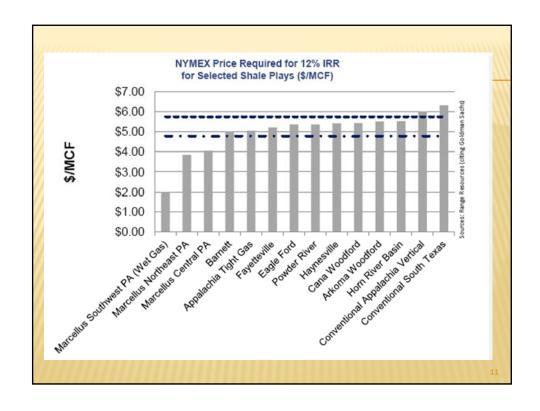


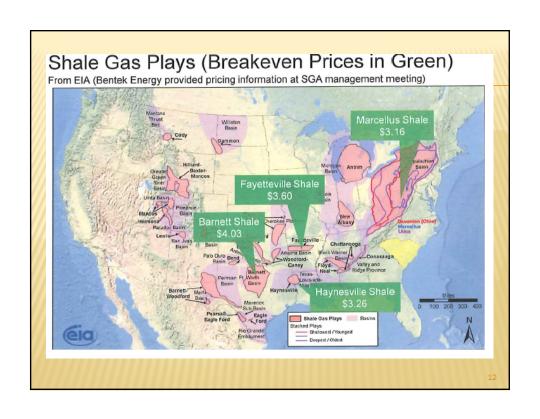




Field	Harvard (2013)	Center for Energy Studies	MIT (2011)
Marcellus	3.32	4.00	4.00
Eagle Ford	3.51	4.00	-
Utica	3.97	6.25	-
Barnett	4.47	4.25	5.84
Fayetteville	5.05	4.25	5.25
Haynesville	6.11	4.00	5.04
Woodford	6.24	4.50	5.96
Average	4.06	4.20	4.50

Source: MIT "The Future of Natural Gas" (2011), Baker Institute (2011), A.K. Cohen (2013)

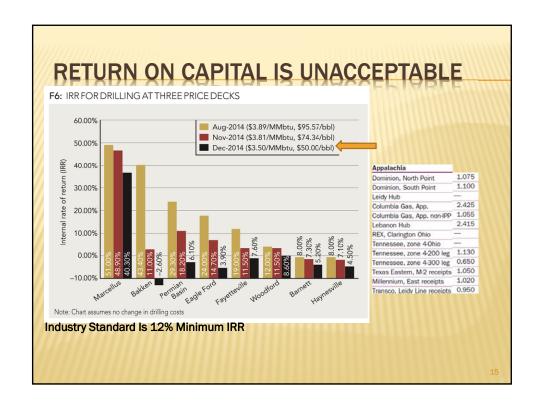




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11917111	Strip	May 16	31 Month	2.874		
11111111	1 Month	1.995	32 Month	2.884		
	2 Month	2.070	33 Month	2.896		
	3 Month	2.145	34 Month	2.906		
	4 Month	2.205	35 Month	2.914		
	5 Month	2.248	36 Month	2.914		
	6 Month	2.290	37 Month	2.913		
	7 Month	2.349	38 Month	2.913		
	8 Month	2.434	39 Month	2.914		
	9 Month	2.515	40 Month	2.915		
	10 Month	2.578	41 Month	2.916		
	11 Month	2.626	42 Month	2.918		
	12 Month	2.647	43 Month	2.921		
	13 Month	2.663	44 Month	2.928		
	14 Month	2.680	45 Month	2.937		
	15 Month	2.696	46 Month	2.945		
	16 Month	2.711	47 Month	2.945		
	17 Month	2.725	48 Month	2.952		
	18 Month	2.739	49 Month	2.952		
	19 Month	2.755				
	20 Month	2.775	50 Month	2.953		
	21 Month	2.799	51 Month	2.955		
	22 Month	2.835	52 Month	2.957		
	23 Month	2.852	53 Month	2.959		
	24 Month	2.852	54 Month	2.961		
	25 Month	2.853	55 Month	2.965		
FILLE	26 Month	2.855	56 Month	2.971		
	27 Month	2.858	57 Month	2.980		
	28 Month	2.862	58 Month	2.988		
	29 Month	2.864	59 Month	2.994		
	30 Month	2.868	60 Month	2.996		

### DRILLERS NEED HIGHER PRICES

- Simmons & Company indicates that gas basins in the US need \$3.50 to \$4.50 for producers with medium to higher finding cost to be able to make enough money to warrant drilling
- Only the Marcellus and Utica basins offer economic drilling opportunities below those prices.
- \* That's why the northeast gas production has grown from 4 to 21 Bcfd while Texas production is off 500,000 Dts a day year over year and still declining.
- Meanwhile, futures prices for gas deliveries 5 years out are below the finding cost of every basin in America except the sweet spots of the Marcellus and Utica.



#### VAST MAJORITY OF PRODUCERS CAN'T MAKE MONEY

- Cabot Oil and Gas has arguably the best position in the Marcellus
  - + dropping down to 3 rigs "until more favorable pricing returns"
- US E&P funded "boom" with \$206 billion in bonds and \$574 billion in syndicate loans
- Fitch Ratings has over 70% of independent producer debt listed as "junk"

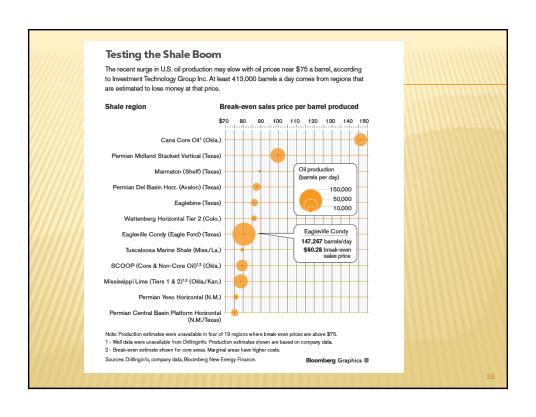
### Weak prices to halt Marcellus growth: EIA

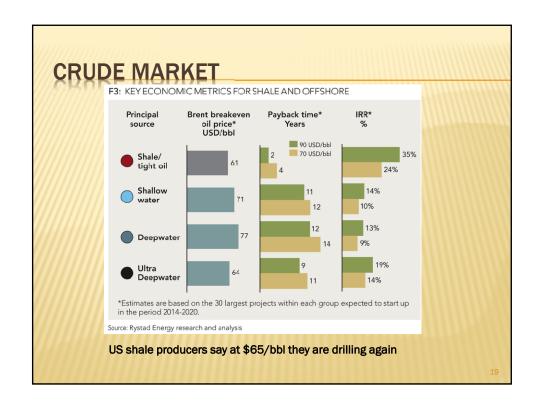
Though many industry observers are expecting production from the prolific Marcellus Shale to continue growing at a rapid clip through the end of the decade, the

US Energy Information Administration is forecasting little to no production growth through 2018 and a slight decline thereafter, EIA data showed.

## SHALE OIL FACTS

\* Reporting on the state of the US shale oil and gas industry, Arthur Berman, of Labyrinth Consulting Services, reported "The reality is, if you actually balance your cost and the price, almost everybody was losing money at \$90/b, and everybody is losing money at \$30/b, and 1 out of 3 firms is at risk of bankruptcy." analysts estimate as many as 150 E&P companies are going bankrupt over the near term. Deloitte estimated that "about 175 companies are in the high-risk quadrant" for bankruptcy.





## US SHALE ROLE IN WORLD OIL PLAY

- US shale oil production has increased about 4 million barrels a day since 2010.
- Saudis were able to bring on as much oil in one month as the US shale industry developed over 5 years of drilling
- But shale oil accounts for less than 10% of the global oil market.
- Since oil price decline \$200 billion in deals delayed
- Big oil projects require 3 to 7 years to bring oil to market
- Shale producers can create cash flow in 90 days
- In the longer term, the draconian cuts in expenditures on the major drilling projects will lead to prolonged tightness in crude markets.
- US shale producers will have another window of opportunity to make significant profits again then

## OPEC ON THE HORNS OF A DILEMMA

- Saudi Arabia need \$106 per barrel to balance their national budget
  - + Ending subsidies and installing tax codes for wealthy to make ends meet
- New Sovereign Wealth Fund includes selling part of Aramco in an IPO and getting two trillions dollar buildup to get Saudi weaned off of oil revenue

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### RUSSIA

- Russia and its Putin lead regime is in serious economic trouble so the Russian people have much pain to bear.
- Oil, gas and coal account for 25% of total GDP, down from 33% last year.
- Energy exports account for about 68% of Russian trade. Oil and gas revenues provide half the Russian government's official budget.
- \* As a result of the fall in oil prices, the Russian economy is predicted to decline by 3.5% this year, with oil export revenue down by \$95bn, after suffering a fall of \$174bn in 2013.
- One of the major reasons for the fall of the Soviet Union at the end of the 1980s was the collapse in energy prices.

## SHALE GAS FACTS

- Current production and demand: 72 Bcfd
- \* Future LNG Exports: 10 Bcfd
- Mexico exports: 8 Bcfd
- Additional Power Generation demand: 15-30 Bcfd
- Decline rates on shale gas wells
  - +50%-70% year one
  - + 25% to 35% year two
  - + Can become uneconomic in years 3 or 4

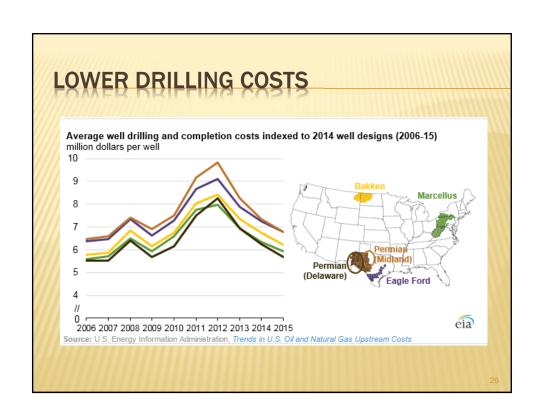
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## SHALE GAS FACTS

- \* Financial markets not extending more financing
- Futures market are selling gas below replacement cost for next 5 years
- EPA creating more demand
- Overhang of wells drilled but not yet online
  - + Estimated to be 4 Bcfd
- \* Weather plays a major role in gas pricing
- Natural gas storage dictates short term pricing

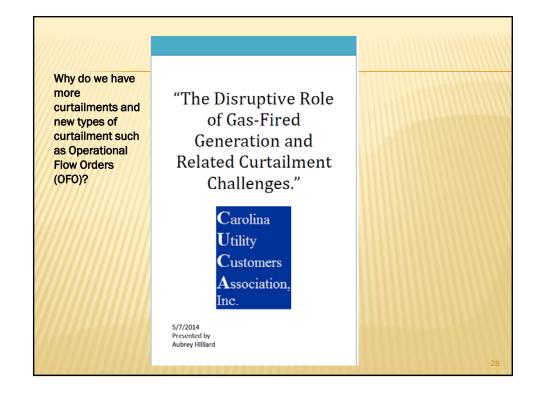
## SHALE GAS FACTS

- Natural gas liquids have created glut in propane and ethane markets thru 2020-22
  - + Total ethane exports are expected to average 150,000 b/d in 2016 and 283,000 b/d in 2017.
- Gas pipeline infrastructure projects exceed 200 billion dollars
- \* Ethane crackers trying to be approved in Marcellus
- Northeast becoming "hub" for natural gas supply and pricing

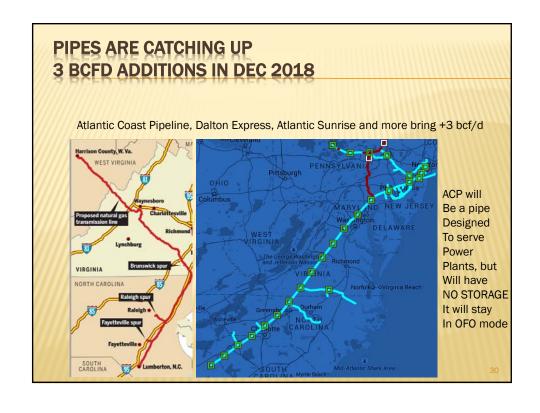


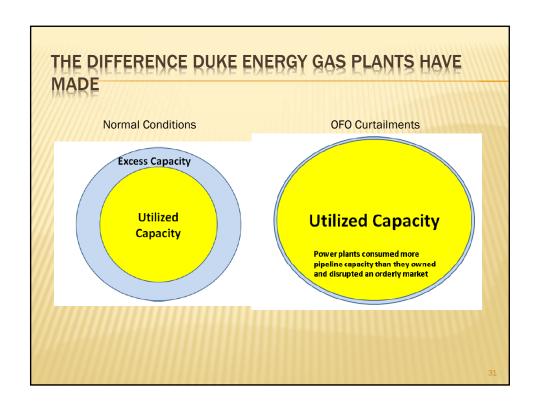
#### NATURAL GAS SHORTAGES IN THE MIDST OF A GLUT

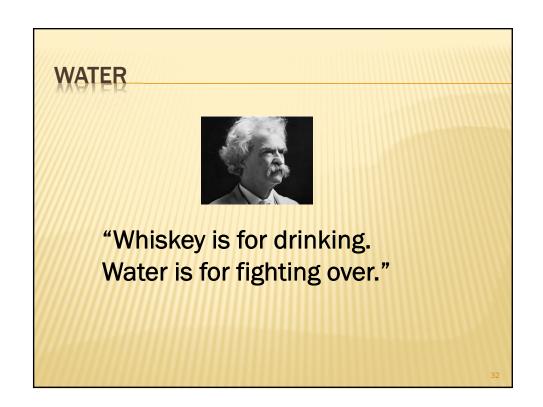
- The fastest growing sector for natural gas demand growth is power generation
- The build out of pipeline capacity is trailing power demand (over \$100 billion of projects)
- This result is periods of pipeline capacity shortages during high power demand called Operational Flow Orders of OFO's
  - + Gas travels at 20 MPH but power demand is immediate)
- The law of supply and demand dictates high delivered gas prices during OFO's



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	Month	FON	VI Price	
	Jan-14		\$4.90	
		TRANSCO		
	DATE	Zone 5 del.		
	01/07/14		70.430	
	01/08/14	\$	26.290	
	01/22/14	_	118.095	
	01/23/14	_	81.510	
	01/24/14	_		
	01/25/14			
	01/26/14	_		
	01/27/14	_		
	01/28/14		89.495	
	01/29/14	\$	29.415	







### WATER

- \* Four billion people, or two-thirds of the world's population, face severe water shortages during at least one month every year.
- Groundwater levels are falling, lakes are drying up, less water is flowing in rivers, and water supplies for industry and farmers are threatened worldwide.
- \* Half of the four billion people who experience conditions of severe water scarcity year live in China or India.
- Mexico and the western and southern parts of the United States, such as California, Texas and Florida face scarcity.
- \* Freshwater scarcity is a major future risk to the global economy.

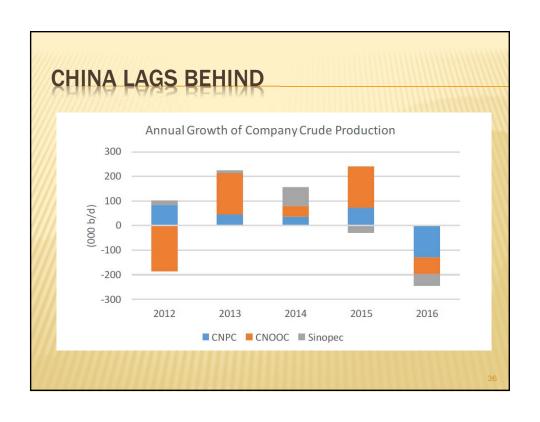
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### **OILFIELD WATER CONCERNS**

- Two to six million gallon of water per well for fracing
- One to two million gallons returned in first year of operation
- The USGS reported that about 7 million people live in areas of the central and eastern US where "induced seismicity" is linked to the injection of wastewater from oil and gas wells.
- Oklahoma has cut 40% with a very positive response already.
- It's easy to cut disposal of frac water when drilling has nearly come to a halt but this will become problematic when we start drilling again

## CHINA'S GAS INDUSTRY

- Natural gas production: 117.1 Billion cubic meters (2013)
  - + Ranked 4th in the world
- Shale wells in China remain expensive, taking some three and a half months to drill, in comparison with the US, where factory production methods have reduced drilling time to less than a month.



### CHINA

- Over the last decade, growth in Chinese gas consumption has outstripped increases in domestic production. The former rose by 17.3% on average each year between 2002-2013, while the latter increased by 12.8%.
- \* By 2020, the gap between domestic supply and demand is expected by the IEA to have reached 129 Bcm, rising to 204 Bcm in 2030.

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### CHINA

- \* At present, China is constructing the second West-East Pipeline from the west end to the eastern and southern parts of China. Simultaneously, China is investing in the Central Asia Pipeline to transport natural gas from Turkmenistan, via Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan.
- The total length of the main trunk line of both pipelines will be over 6 800 km.
- \* \$30 Billion USD equivalent and far from self sufficient

### CHINA OIL

- \* As a result of persistent low crude prices, crude producers in China either suffered a loss or saw shrinking profits in 2015.
- \* This year, all three major Chinese crude producers have announced plans to cut crude production. Including over-seas crude production, the three companies are expected to cut a total of 250,000 b/d in 2016, in contrast to a production increase of 210,000 b/d in 2015.

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## PREDICTING NATURAL GAS

- Continued low gas prices in 2016, especially if El Nino winter is mild in northeastern US which will cause overhang of low prices into 2017
- Afterwards, lack of drilling while demand grows leads to "pinch point"
- \$3 to \$5 trading range with spikes to \$7-\$8

## PREDICTING CRUDE

- \* Arab States hold control
- Prices below \$50 through 2018-2020 until world demand meets supply
  - + Supply outside Arab States declines due to low drill rates
  - + Arab states drilling at record rate
- Price spike and several years of higher prices until "elephant" projects are drilled and online

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