

# North American Natural Gas – A Domestically Available, (relatively) Economic (fossil) Fuel.....Really (trust us this time).

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## What Got us Here?

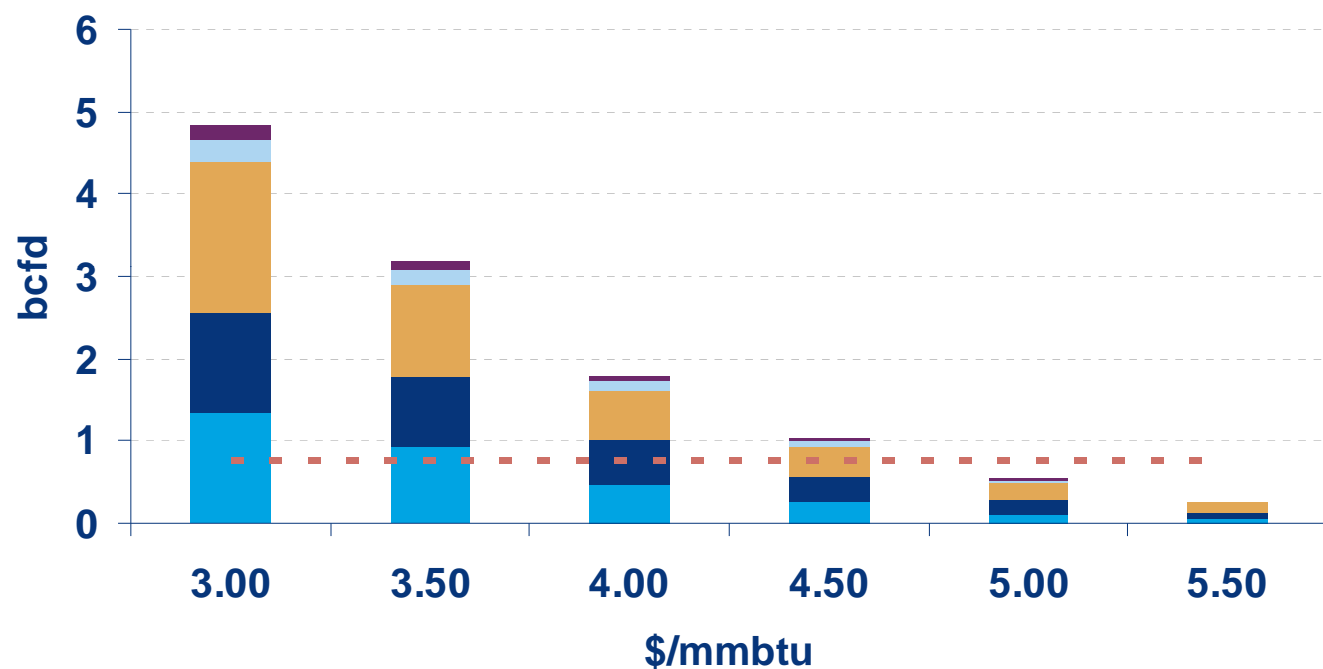
- › Demand dropped first, and supply has followed only after a long delay
- › US production has held up, and *potential* continues to climb
  - Emerging shale resources firming up (Haynesville); other shale resources wait in the wings (BC Horn River, Marcellus)
  - Exploration risk is now a minor uncertainty in terms of future supply availability.
- › Economic growth – and longer term demand - expectations have weakened
  - Lower GDP expectations reduce overall power generation load growth
  - Industrial demand hit hard by weak economic environment and stronger US dollar
  - Development of coal and renewable capacity continues
- › LNG into North America is set to increase through 2012, despite weaker demand expectations and continued supply growth
  - LNG supply has outpaced demand, and LNG will be dumped – for a time - into the US
- › Producers have aggressively built new pipe to monetize production, limit basis risk
  - More than 10 Bcfd from N TX/OK toward the east, even as production growth lags
- › Result: Low Prices until the storage maximum is no longer a market force, with a rebound to the mid \$4.00s/MMBtu average next year; wide basis unlikely to return anytime soon

## The Gas Price Floor Depends on Displacing Coal at Levels Higher than Observed Last Fall

### › Scale of current displacement outlook presents some unknowns

- Operational constraints
- Coal plants that are “must-run”

Summer cumulative displacement from \$6 by region



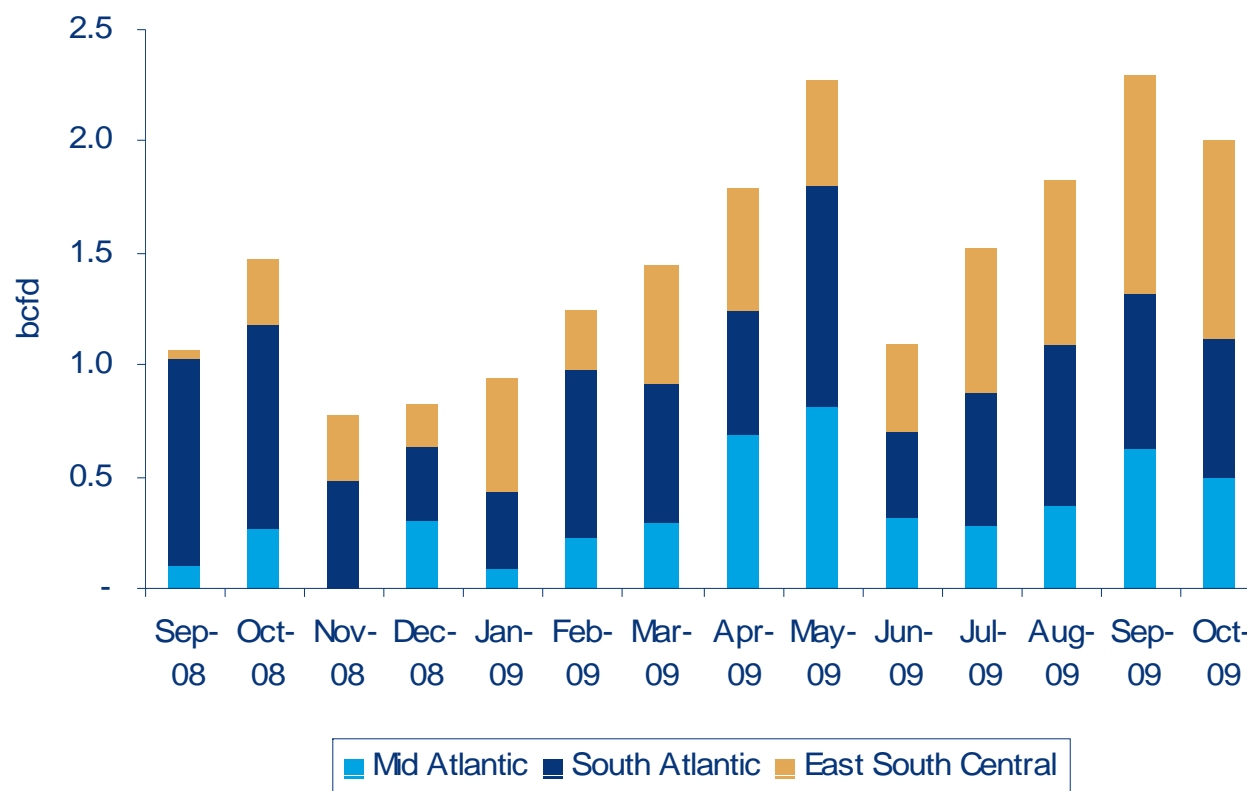
**But lower coal prices, and coal operations result in less displacement than a pure all-else-equal analysis would predict. 2 Bcfd displacement demand is expected this fall.**

› **Scale of current displacement outlook presents some unknowns**

- Operational constraints
- Coal plants that are “must-run”

› **This fall, with lower coal prices, the natgas price required to displace coal has also decreased**

**Displacement ( Sep 2008 - May 2009);  
Displacement from \$6 by region June – Oct 2009**



## Even so, the Natgas Rebound is Unlikely to be as Strong as Many Producers Hope, and Oil and US Gas are on – Divergent Paths

### › Avg. price WTI:

- 2010-15: \$76.97
- 2016-20: \$91.90
- 2020-25: \$96.10

› *However, oil is getting more difficult to find; supply pressure for oil builds beyond 2015.*

› *Plentiful exploration risk, and reservoir performance risk in this oil outlook – in contrast to US gas.*

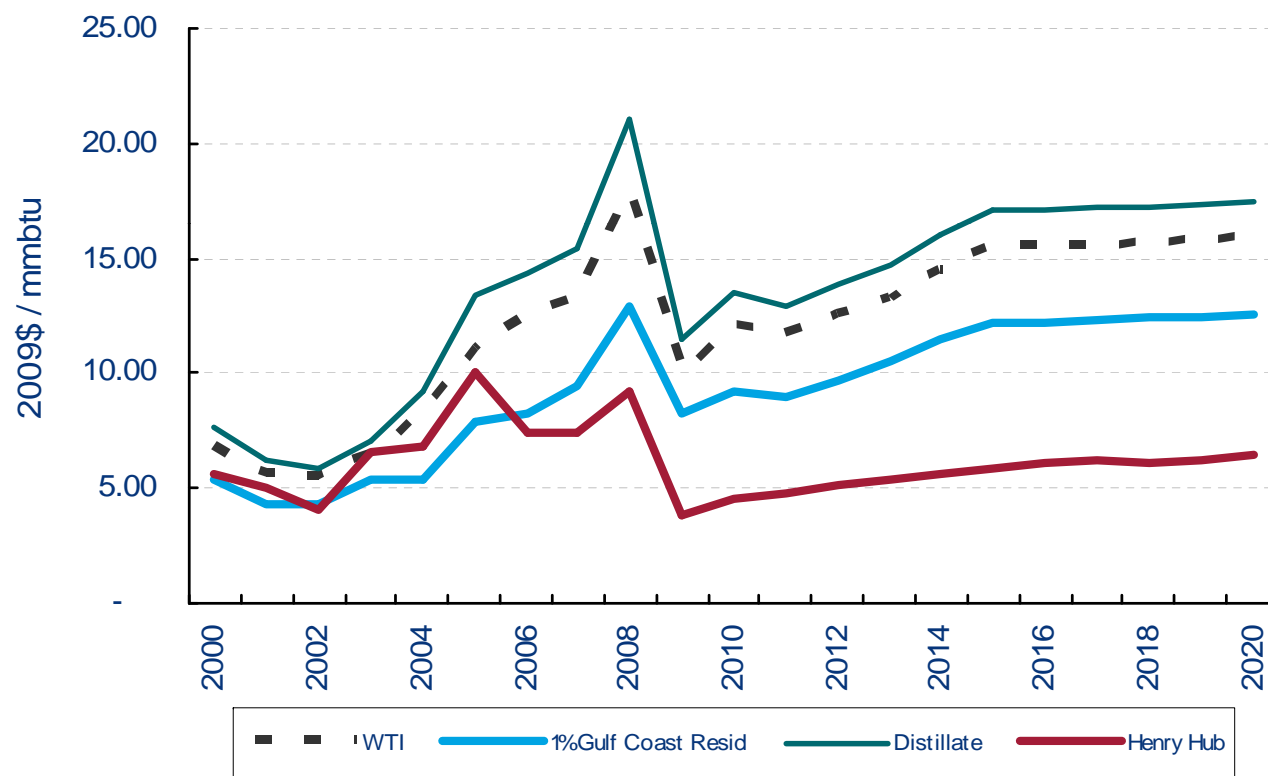
### › Avg price Henry Hub:

- 2009: \$3.81
- 2010: \$4.85
- 2010 - 2015: \$5.21
- 2015 – 2020: \$6.28

### › Avg Btu Diff. WTI - Henry:

- 1997 – 2008: \$2.39
- 2009 – 2020: \$8.39

### Oil and Gas Commodity Price Forecasts (\$2009)





## Economic expectations offer little support for natural gas demand...

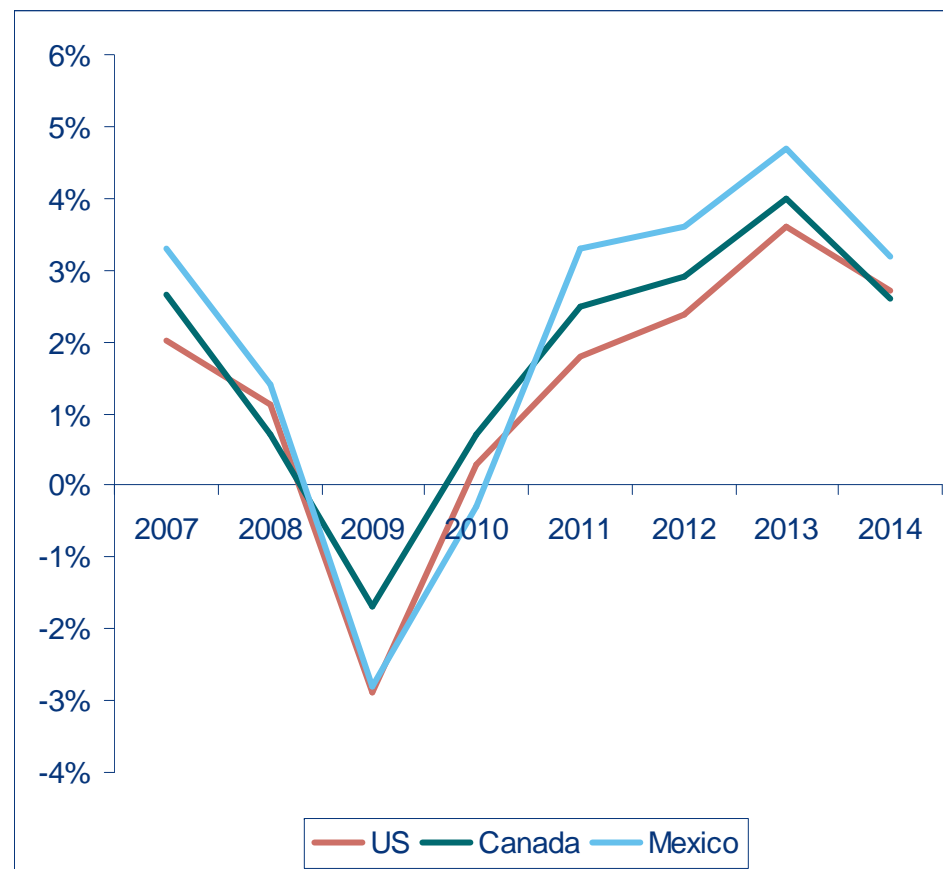
### › Short-term (through 2010) outlook remains very bleak

- Deleveraging has begun but nowhere near complete yet
- Exports weak given lack of global demand
- Consumers are not yet spending freely
- Fiscal stimulus packages not sizable enough to outweigh demand contraction

### › Annual growth does not exceed 3% until 2013

### › Gas demand challenged by weak industrial outlook and low power loads

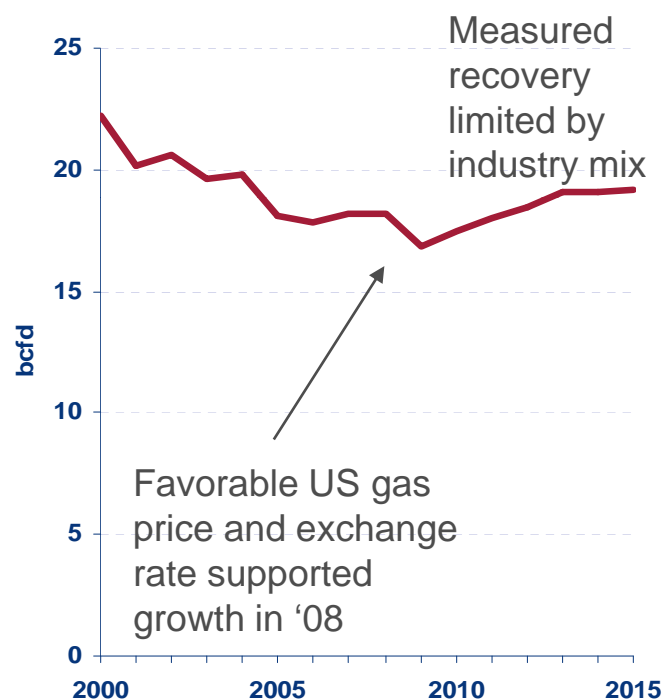
North American GDP growth expectations



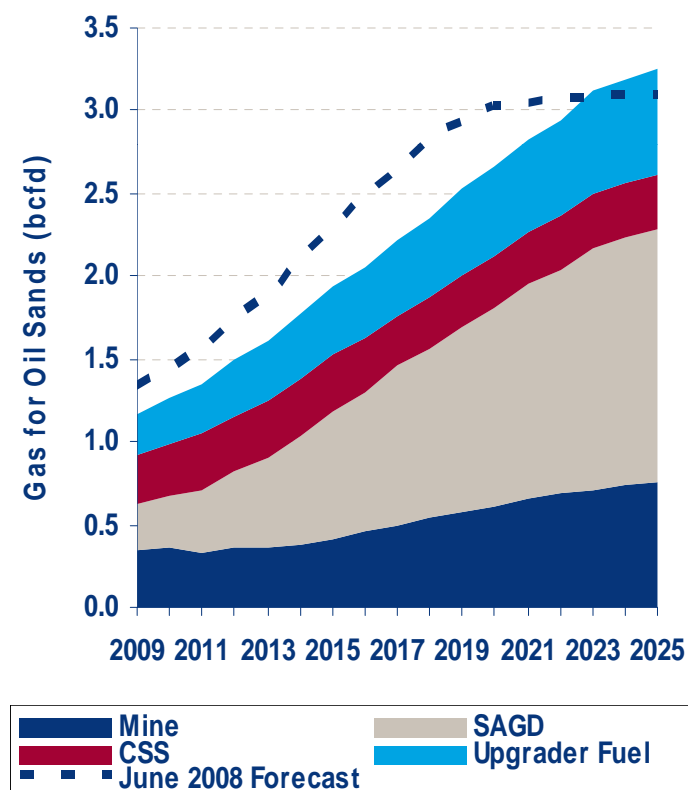
## Despite the Lower Price for Natural Gas, Industrial Demand Is Currently Handcuffed by the Economy

- › Energy cost advantages versus other markets aren't enough to offset weak economic conditions in the near-term
- › Recovery should take hold—given lower prices—in 2011 and 2102
- › Longer term, lower prices aren't likely enough to support US manufacturing or increase capacity for gas-intensive industry like fertilizer or petchem to levels seen pre-2005

### US Industrial Gas Demand

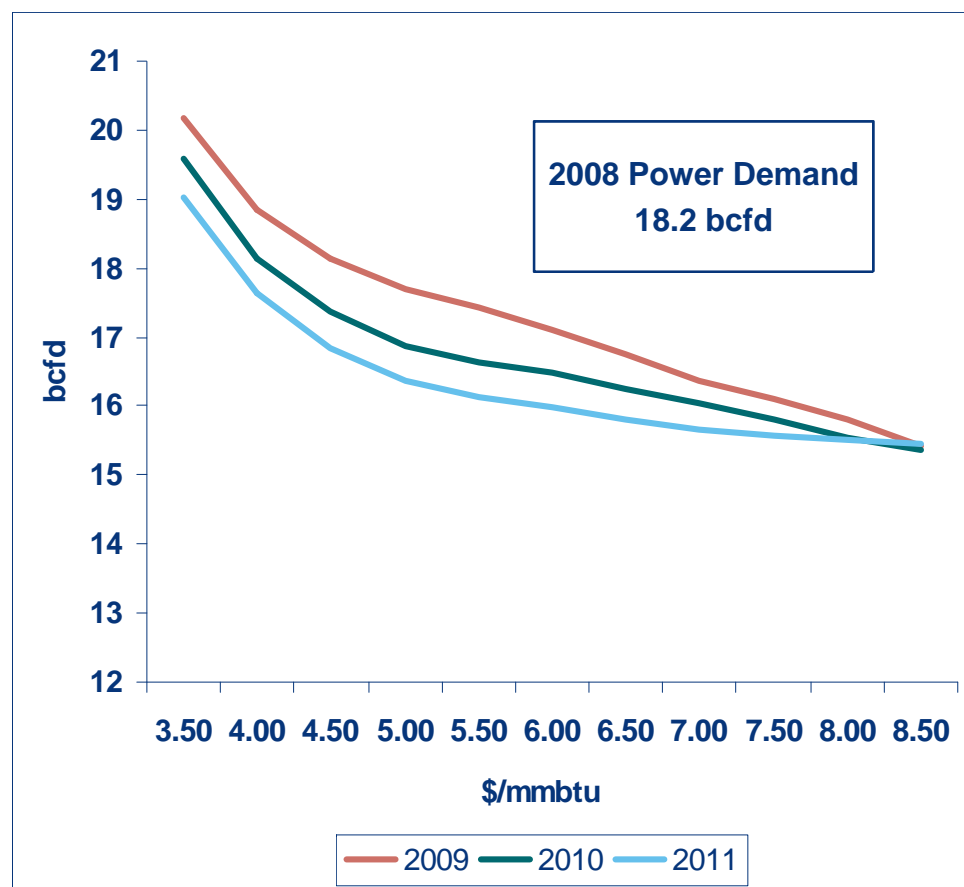


### Canadian Oil Sands Projects Have Come Under Pressure



## Power demand trends are negative even when the economy recovers...

Assuming a constant power price, power demand for gas declines between 2009 and 2011, for a given gas price below \$8/mmbtu

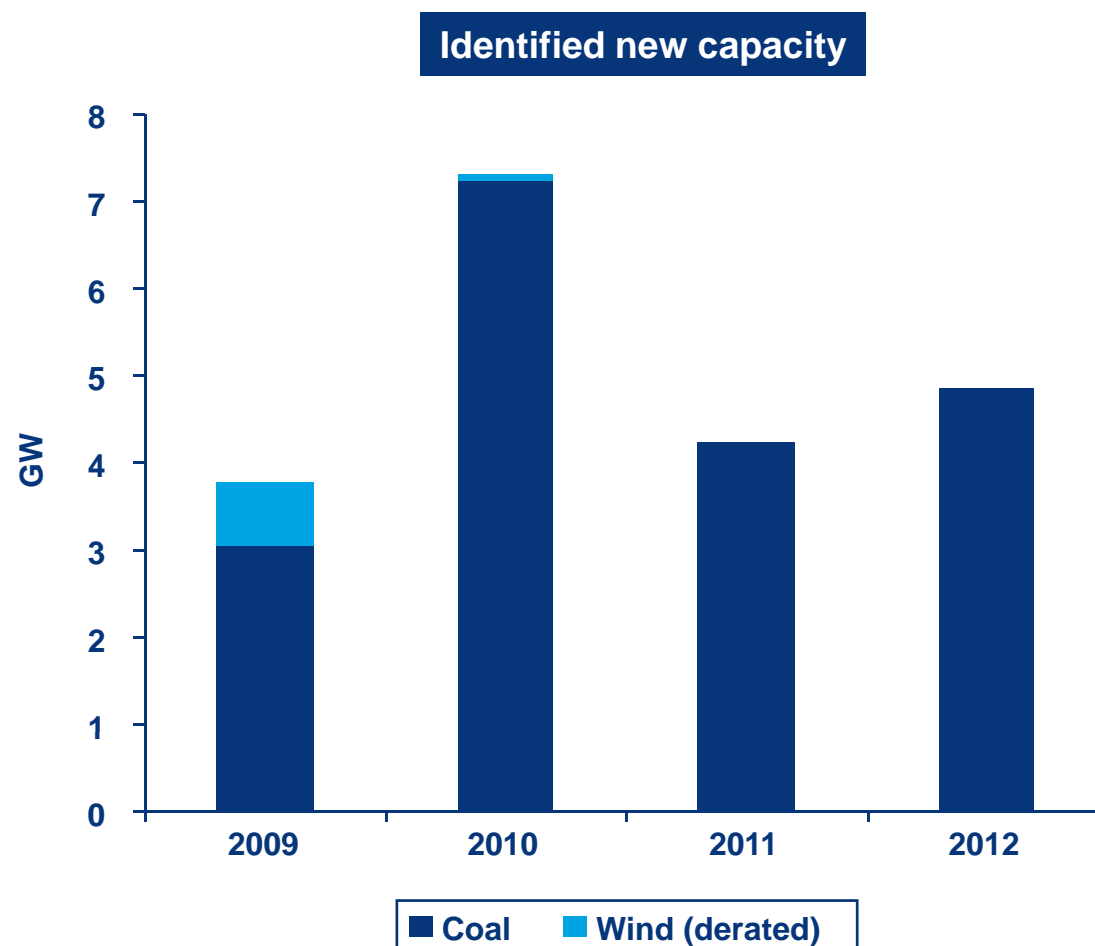


US GDP Growth		US gas demand for power (bcfd) at different prices		
		\$4	\$5	\$6
2009	(2.9%)	18.7	17.6	17.1
2010	0.3%	18.1	16.8	16.4
2011	1.8%	17.9	16.7	16.3

Source: Wood Mackenzie

## ...as 19.4 GW of coal-fired generation is planned to come online by the end of 2012

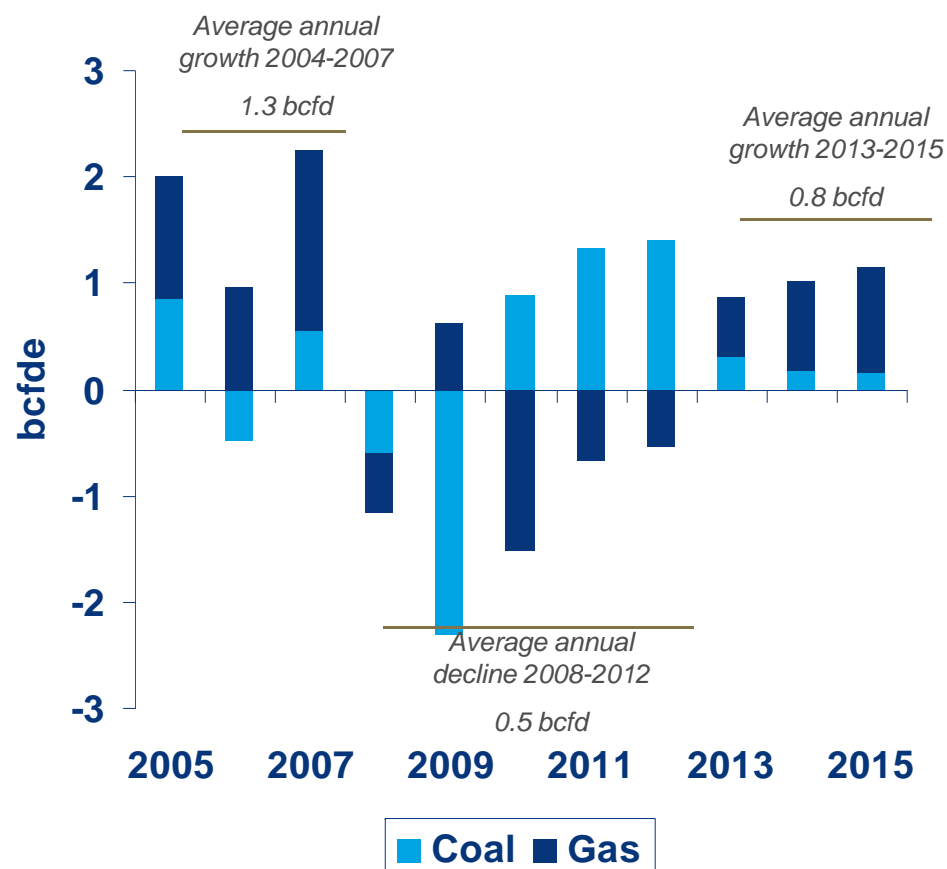
- › All of this capacity is in construction, site prep, or testing
  - “Steel in the ground”
- › This new Coal Capacity is highly efficient, baseload capacity that will push marginal gas-fired units off the supply stack and other gas plants toward the margin



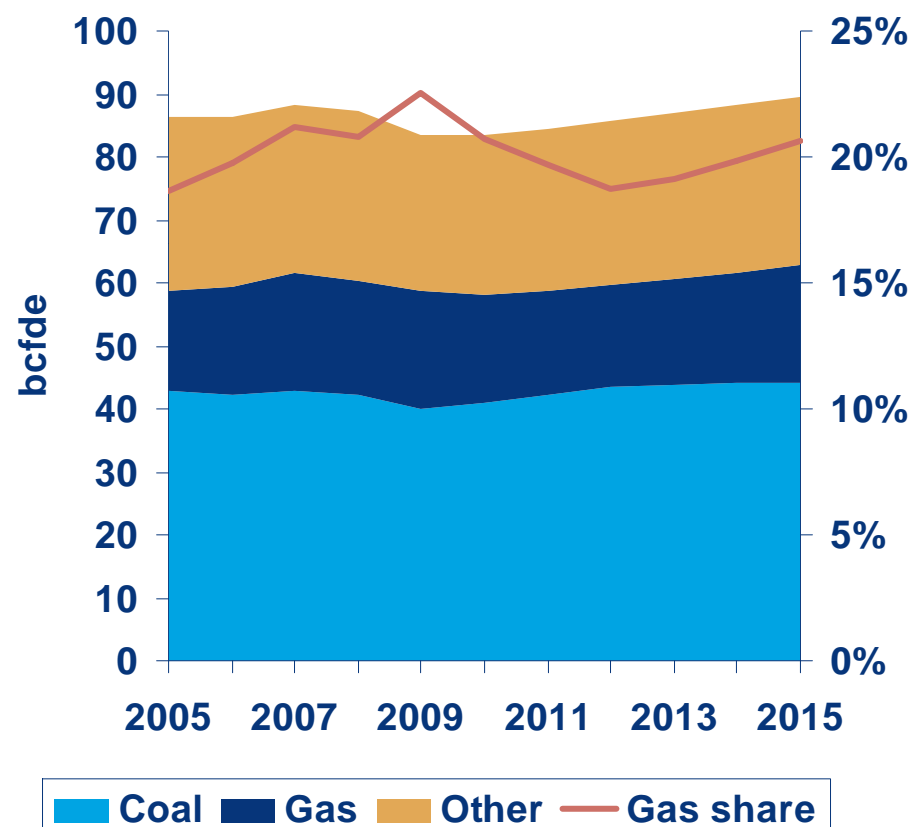
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# Not Until 2013 does gas demand growth from the US power sector accelerate

## Gas and Coal Demand Growth

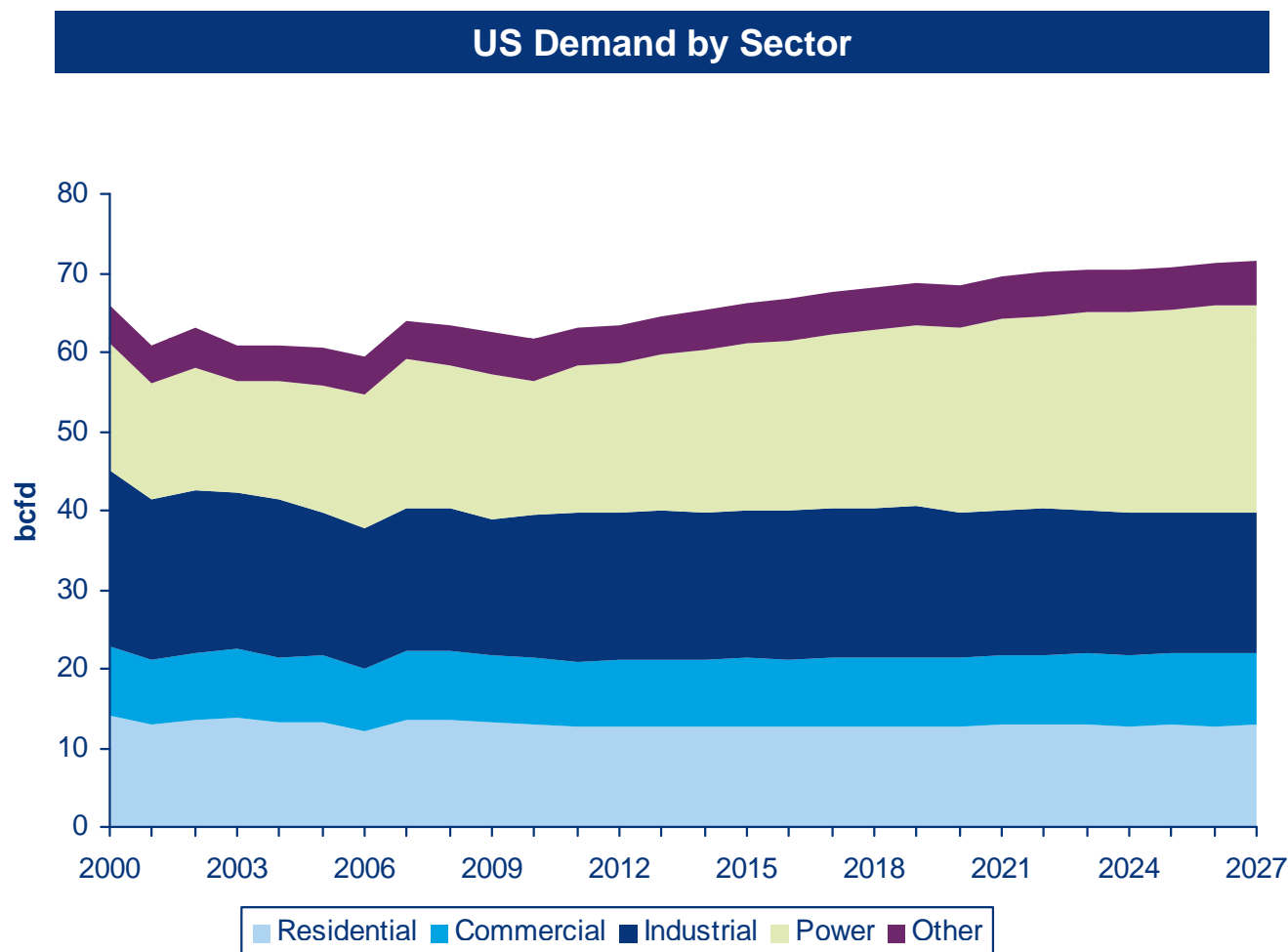


## Gas's Share of Generation Starts to Recover in 2013



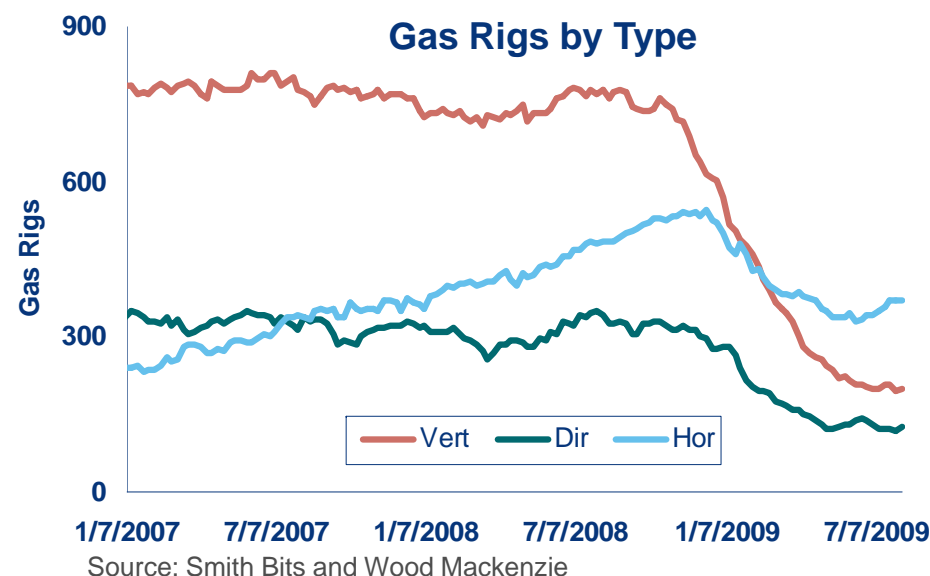
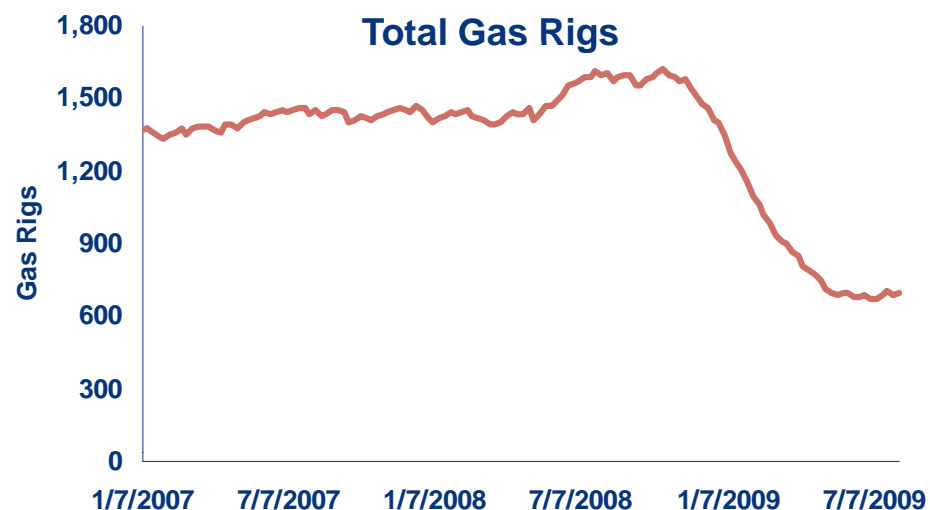
## The Result: Overall Gas Does Not Resume “Normal” Growth Patterns for 2-3 Years

- › Over the next few years weak GDP holds down power and industrial demand
- › As the economy recovers, gas demand growth resumes
- › Long-term, development of renewable and nuclear power capacity hold down gas' growth pace in the power sector
- › Industrial, residential and commercial demand hold steady through the extended study period



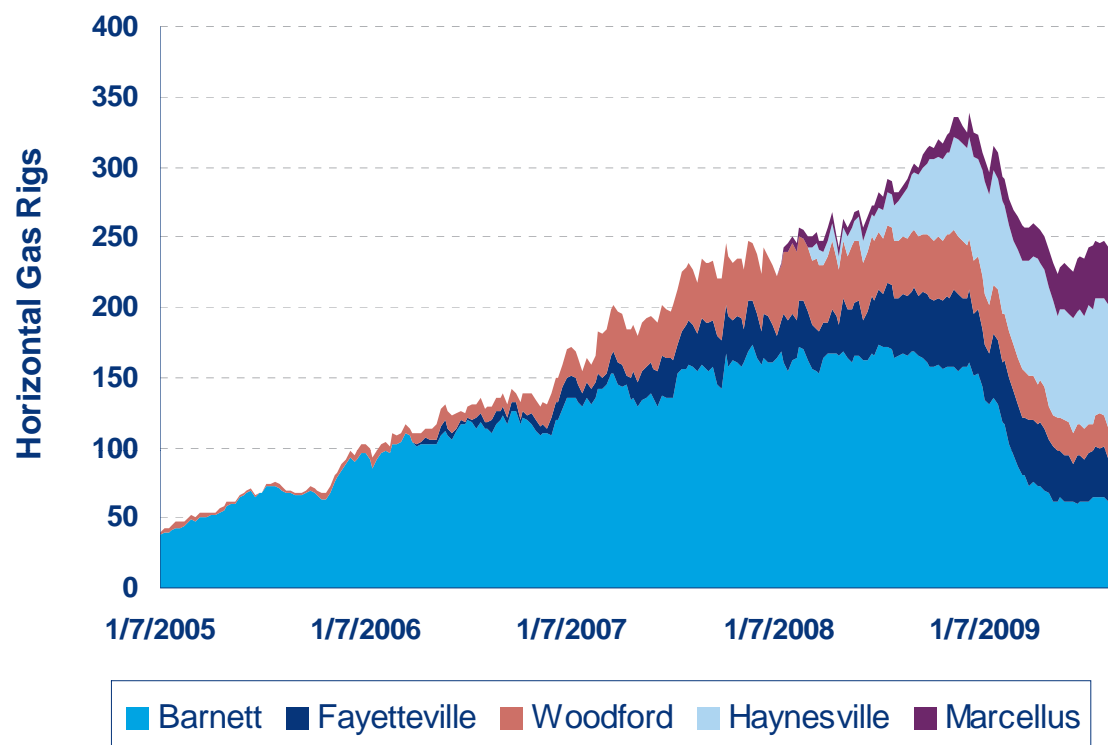
## Supply is – finally – beginning to decline

- › Supply growth through first half of 2009 despite strong drilling cuts
- › Majority of the rigs that came off early were vertical low horse power rigs
- › 90-120 day lag between observed rig counts and production response
  - Lag includes time to drill, complete and tie-in wells
- › In areas with capacity constraints including Barnett and Fayetteville, wells drilled last year tied-in through the first quarter
- › GoM supply growth through the early part of the year from hurricane recovery



## Even as shale rig counts are showing signs of life

- › Shale drilling peaked in mid-December 2008 despite rig layoffs in other areas
- › Drastic rig reductions in Barnett and Woodford plays
- › In the emerging shales, operators have spent heavily acquiring acreage which needs to be held by production



Source: Smith Bits and Wood Mackenzie

### › Haynesville

- Chesapeake, with joint-venture partner Plains, is continuing its pre-recession drilling program. Petrohawk has allocated 70% of its 2009 budgets toward Haynesville

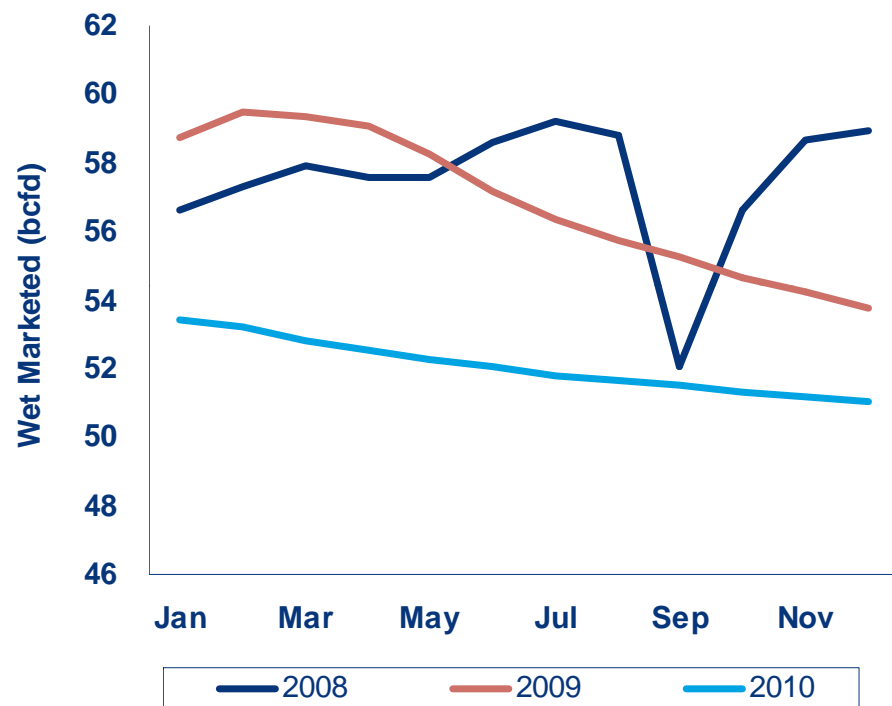
### › Marcellus

- Range is deploying six fit-for-purpose rigs in 2009. Chesapeake-Statoil JV expected to increase its rig count to 20 by the end of the year.



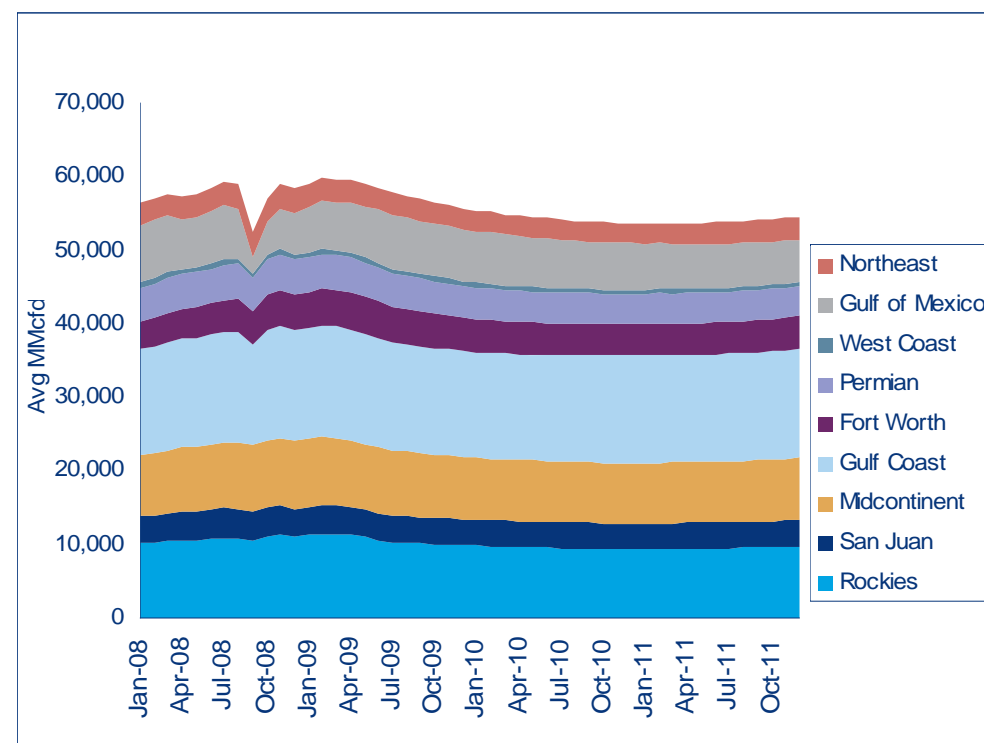
# Shale production techniques and rig efficiencies have prevented a steep decline in Supply

## US L48 Expected Production Levels



Source: Wood Mackenzie

## US L48 Wet Marketed Production By Region

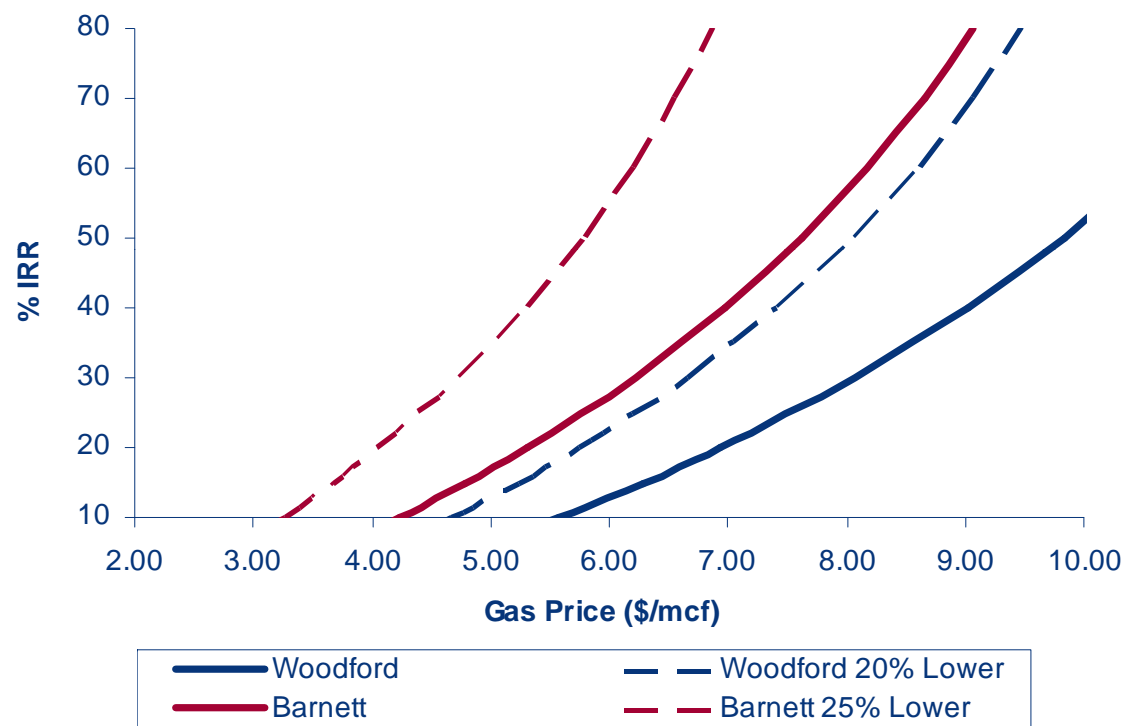


Source: Wood Mackenzie

- › Annual yoy production remains flat in 2009 despite the strong drilling cuts
- › 3.6 bcf/d annual drop expected in 2010
- › Monthly peak (early 2009) compared to early 2011 trough is approximately 6 Bcf/d decline

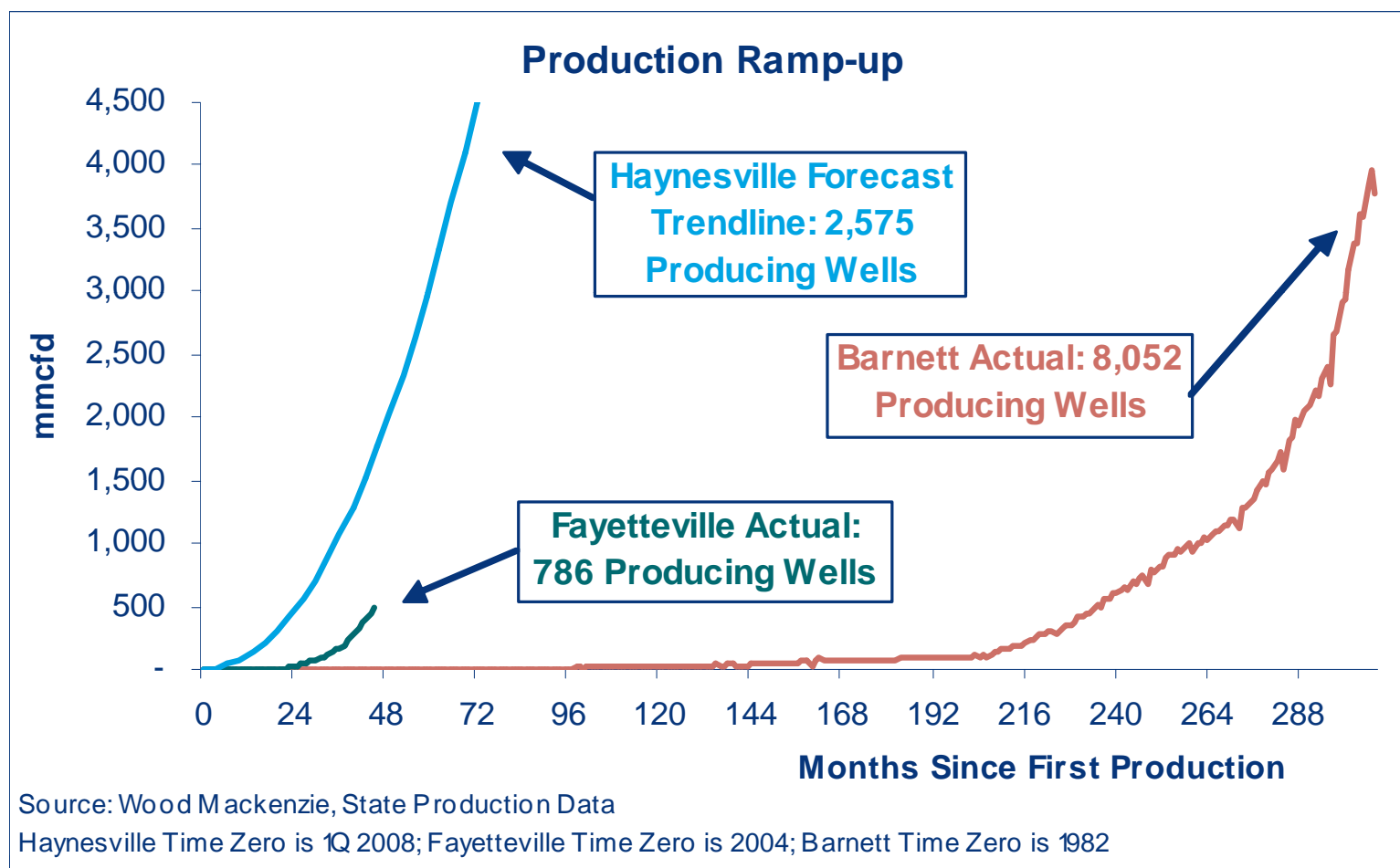
## ... but producers' costs have room to fall further too

- › Cost environment in 2009 to be more favorable for the E&Ps – costs expected to be 20-40% lower
- › Cost declines not as steep in emerging shale plays. Barnett has seen significant cost reductions
  - Rig rates 20-55% lower
  - Tubular costs down by up to 50%
  - Stimulation costs down by 30%
  - Lower fuel and chemical costs due to lower oil prices
- › Lower well costs translate to lower breakevens
  - 10% reduction in well costs reduce breakeven costs by approximately 8% for Barnett and Woodford



Source: Modified from Wood Mackenzie Upstream Service

## And production can ramp up faster: Experience results in faster growth for new plays



## And for the most part, emerging shales have survived production cuts

### › Operators have made significant investments in acquiring acreage

- Drilling expected to be robust to hold acreage

### › Haynesville

- Petrohawk and Chesapeake to maintain activity at previously planned levels

### › Horn River Shale

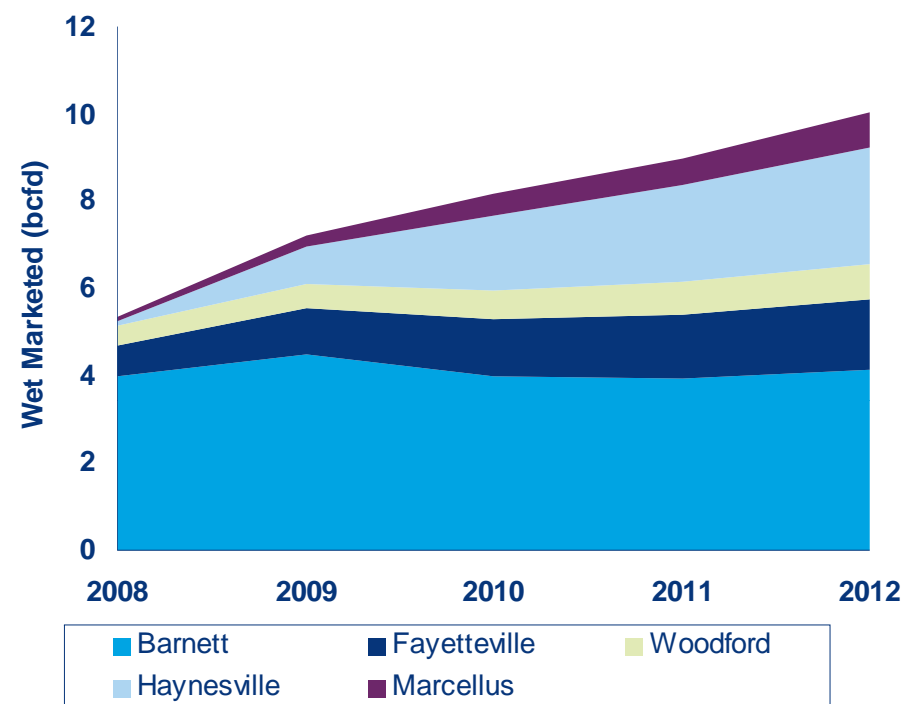
- Operators committing capital to further test and develop the play. Industry to drill 30-35 wells in the play

### › Marcellus

- Range and several others stepping up activity. Range deploying six fit-for-purpose rigs. Chesapeake planning to reach 20 rigs in the play by end of 2009

### › Fayetteville

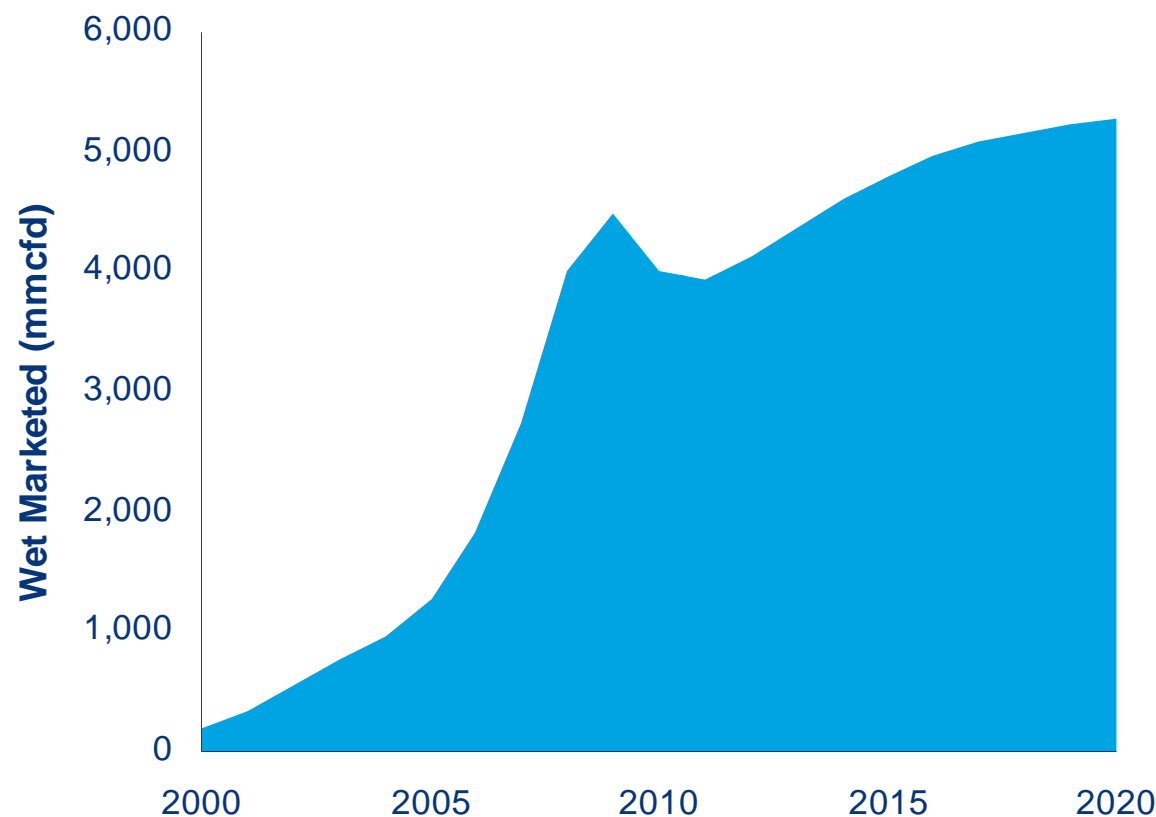
- Southwestern drilling same number of wells as in 2008. Chesapeake expected to maintain 20 rigs in the play – nearly double early 2008 levels



Source: Wood Mackenzie NAGS & Upstream Service

## Barnett

- › Wellhead production averaged 4.35 bcfd in 2008
- › Rig counts down 61% from 2008 peak
- › Large independents that have driven growth have announced aggressive spending reductions
- › Well performance still improving
- › Future of Barnett
  - Tighter spacing in the core - majority of expansion in Core area will be in increasingly urban setting
  - Limited expansion to the West. Large drop in activity from pre-recession levels expected
  - Re-fracturing of existing vertical wells



Source: Wood Mackenzie NAGS and Upstream Service

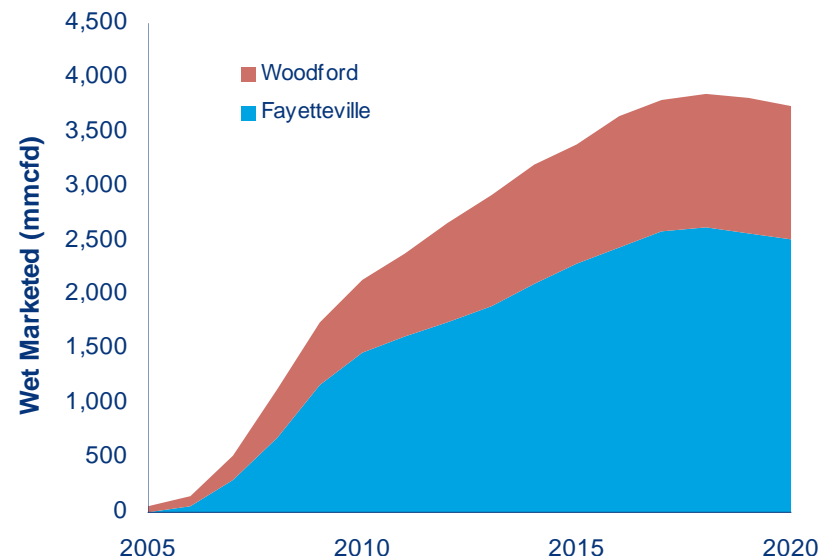
## Arkoma Shale Plays

### › Fayetteville

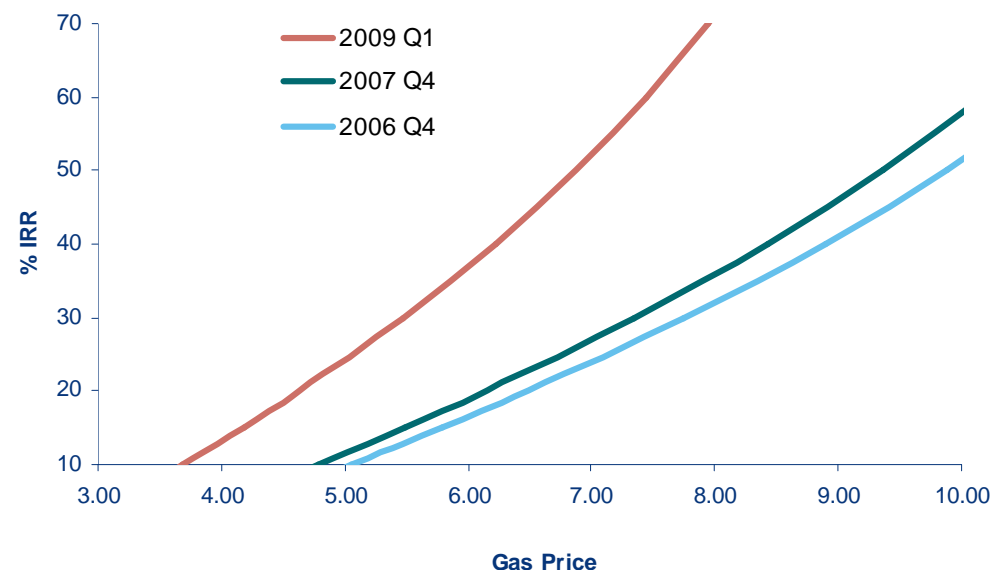
- Pioneered by Southwestern. Major operators include Chesapeake/BP, XTO and Petrohawk
- Well performance steadily improving. Average IPs for Southwestern's wells increased by over 50% from 2007
- Operators moving to pad drilling
- Capital commitment despite the downturn

### › Woodford/Caney

- Pad drilling has significantly reduced well costs for Newfield
- Newfield expects 40 acre ultimate well spacing for reserve optimization

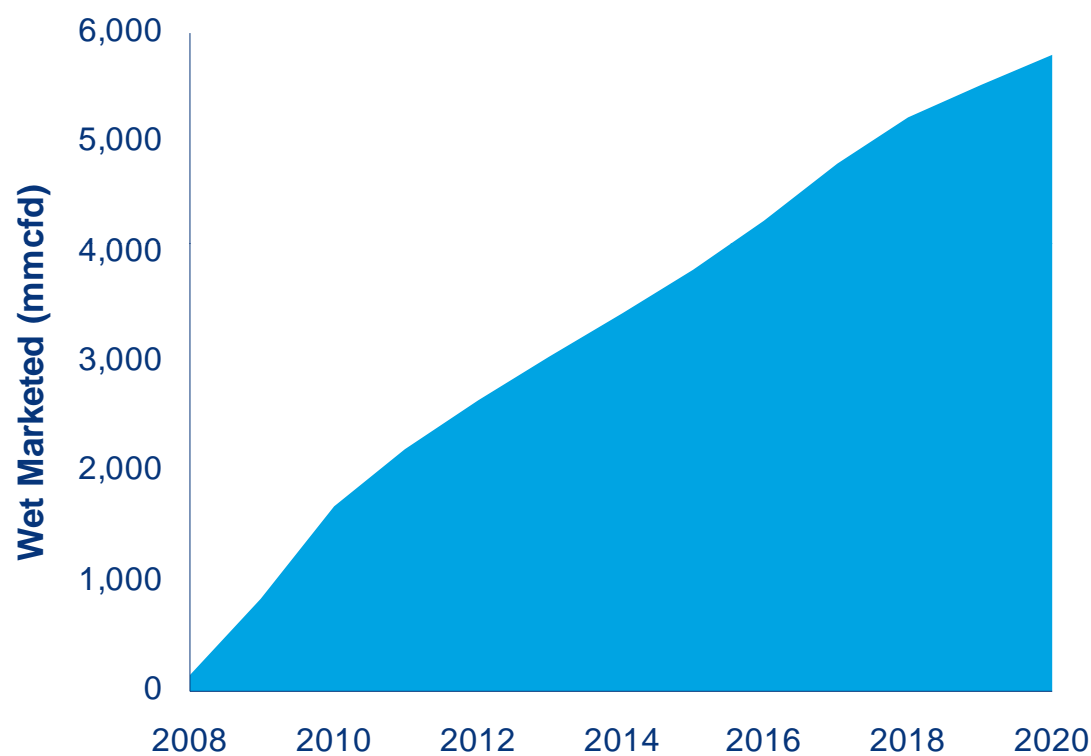


### Improvement in Fayetteville Economics for Southwestern Energy



## Haynesville Shale

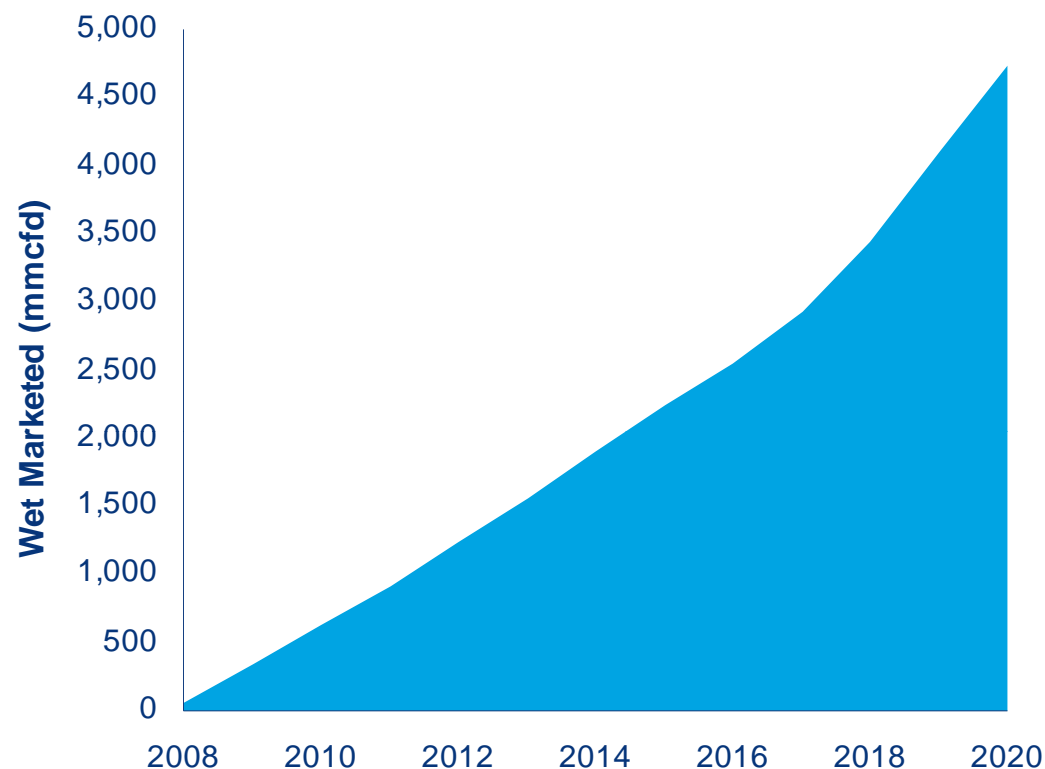
- › Haynesville described as one of the biggest plays in the region
- › Core area preliminarily designated as 3.5 million acres in Caddo, De Soto, and Bossier parishes in NW Louisiana
- › Over 90 horizontal rigs active in the region
- › Wells being drilled on 640-acre spacing to hold leases. Downspacing likely to 80 and 60 acres.
- › Current unrisks net resource potential over 130 tcf - **operator announced only**
- › Optimism supported by strong well results - initial production rates of 8-28 mmcfd
- › Horizontal wells expected to recover 4.5-8.5 bcfe



Source: Wood Mackenzie NAGS and Upstream Service

## Marcellus Shale

- › Large volumes of gas in place – recent studies estimate up to 300 tcf recoverable
- › Well performance improving. Range has reported consistent IP rates over 5 mmcfd
- › Horizontal wells expected to cost US\$ 3.0-4.0 million
- › Marcellus economics among the best due to better lease terms and premium prices
- › Operators making progress with well permitting and water issues
- › Initial development concentrated in the Southwestern portion of the play along PA-WV border
  - Infrastructure in NE PA is challenging



Source: Wood Mackenzie NAGS and Upstream Service



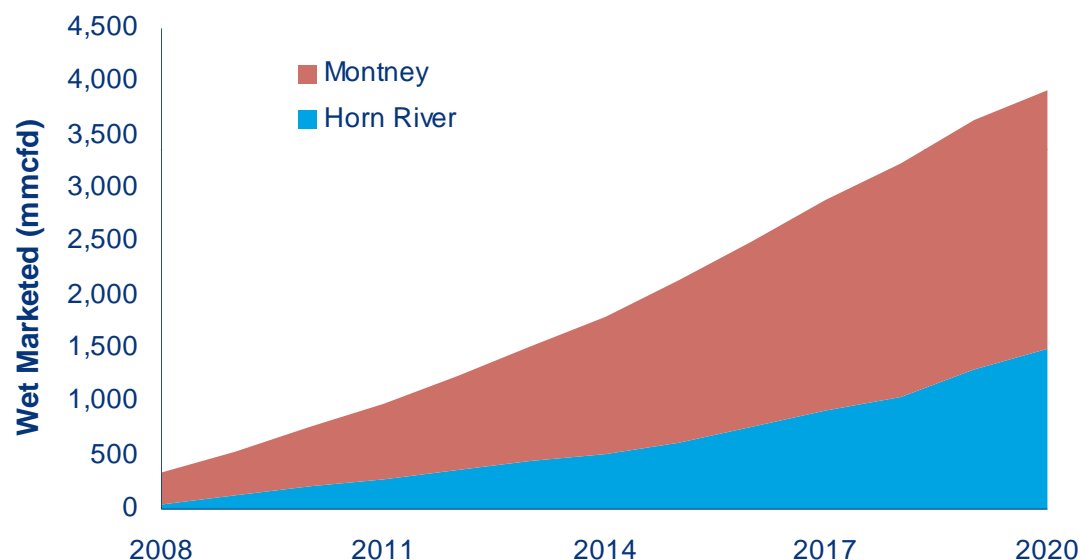
## WCSB - Horn River Shales and Montney

### › Horn River

- Over 500 tcf of gas-in-place. Operator announced recoverable gas resources of up to 36 tcf
- Long laterals with large fracture stimulations leads to high well costs. Costs however decreasing rapidly
- Limited infrastructure

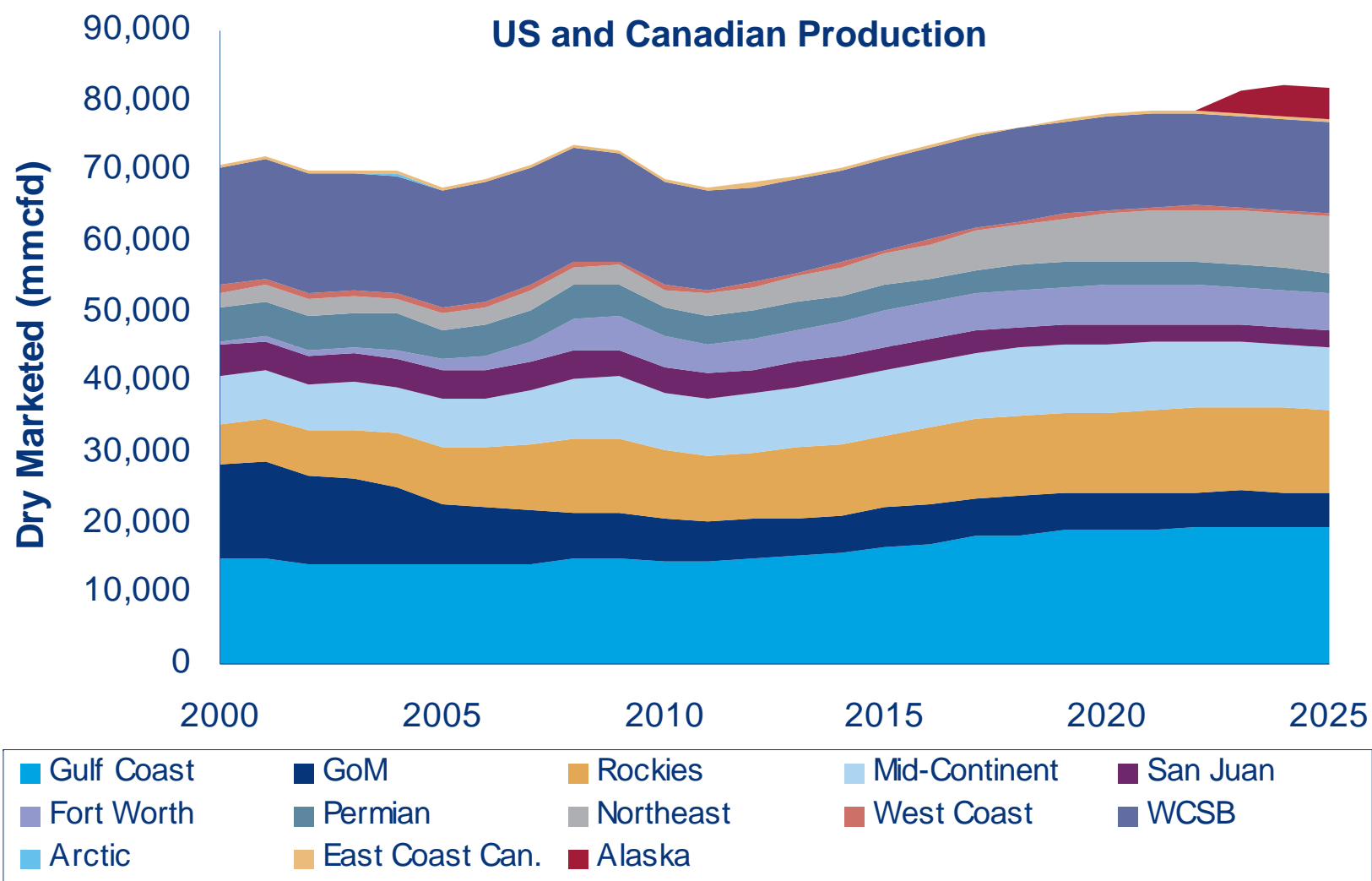
### › Montney

- Originally developed with vertical wells. Multi-stage fracture stimulated horizontal wells very successful
- GIP estimates vary – estimated volumes are 150 tcf
- Bulk of activity concentrated on the BC portion of the play
- Operators actively targeting the play



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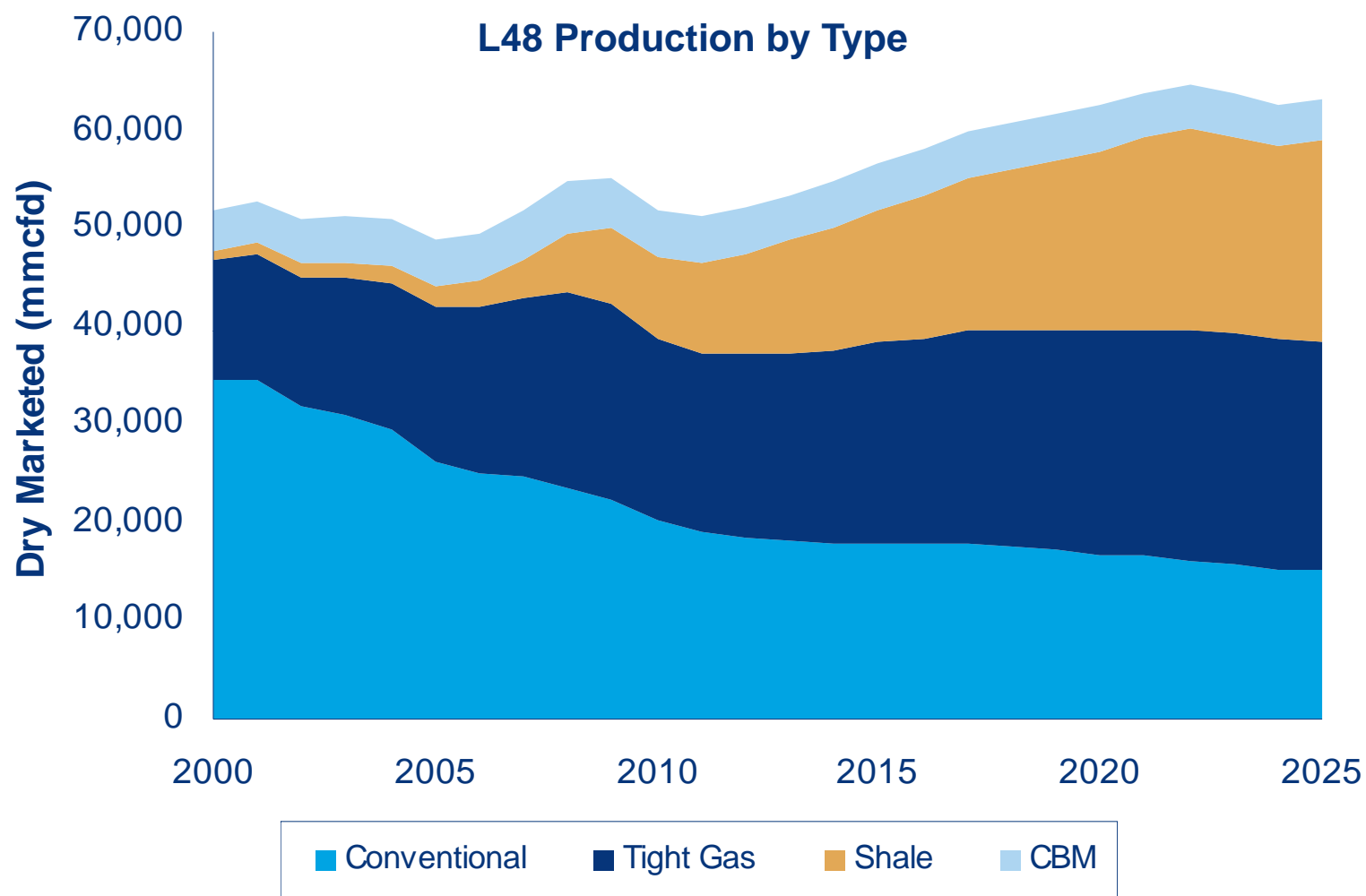
## Longer Term: Potential for Strong Growth in Domestic Supply



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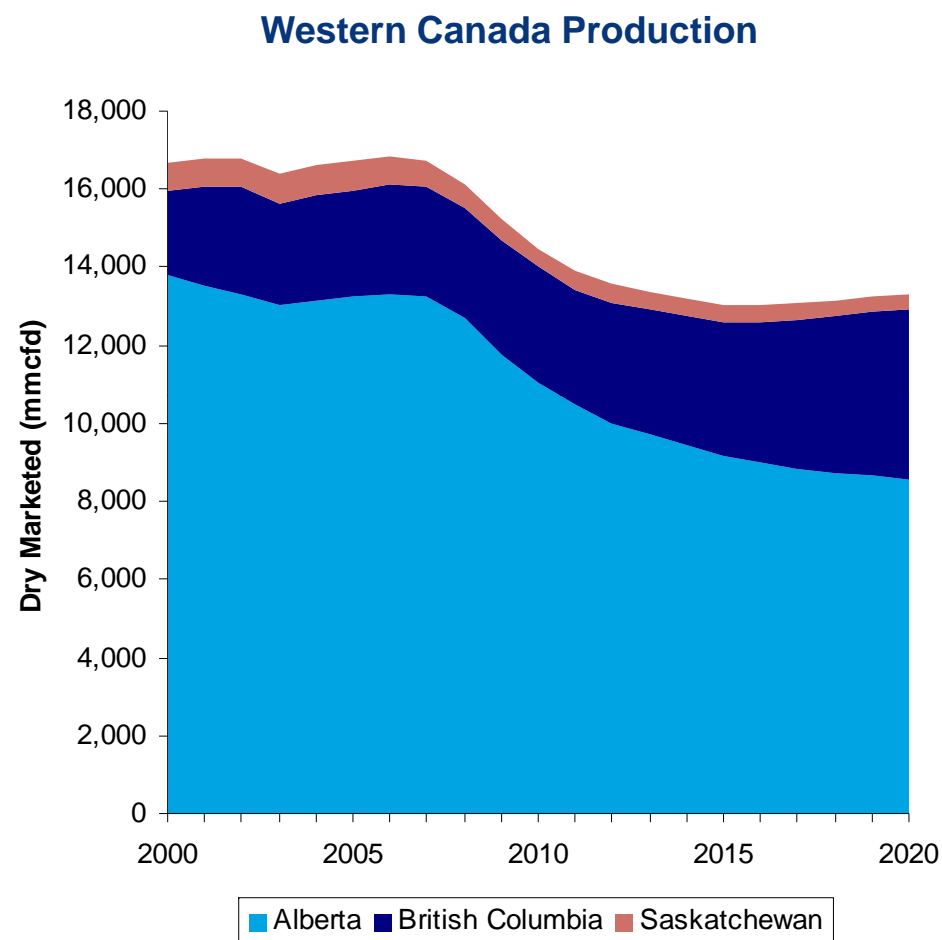
## Shale Gas Growth Represents a Paradigm Shift in Supply



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## Unconventional Production Growth from British Columbia

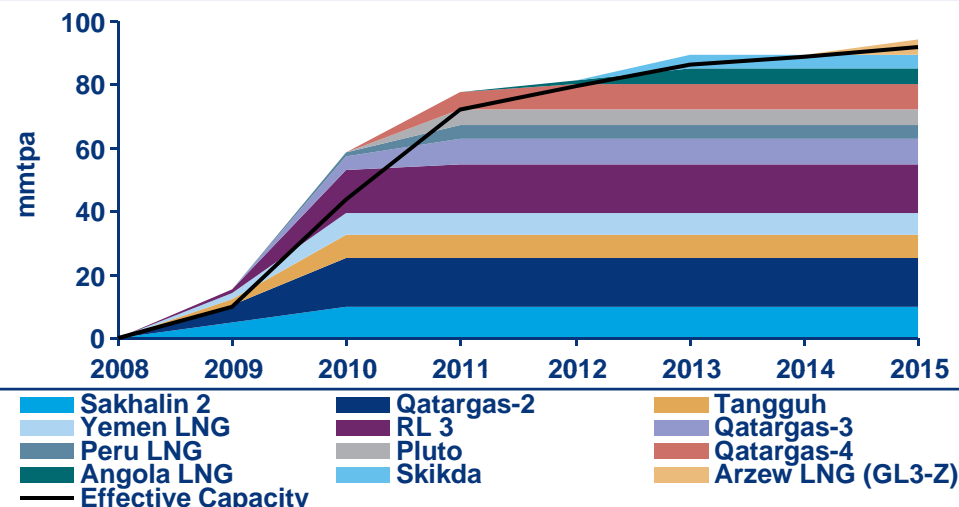
- › Strong declines through 2011, reflecting the economic trends
- › No strong catalyst to reignite Albertan drilling
  - The new royalty framework has changed investment climate as evidenced by land sale results
  - Transitional royalty terms have not impacted drilling levels
- › Montney and Horn River plays expected to support production growth in British Columbia
  - Strong drilling activity in Montney despite the downturn



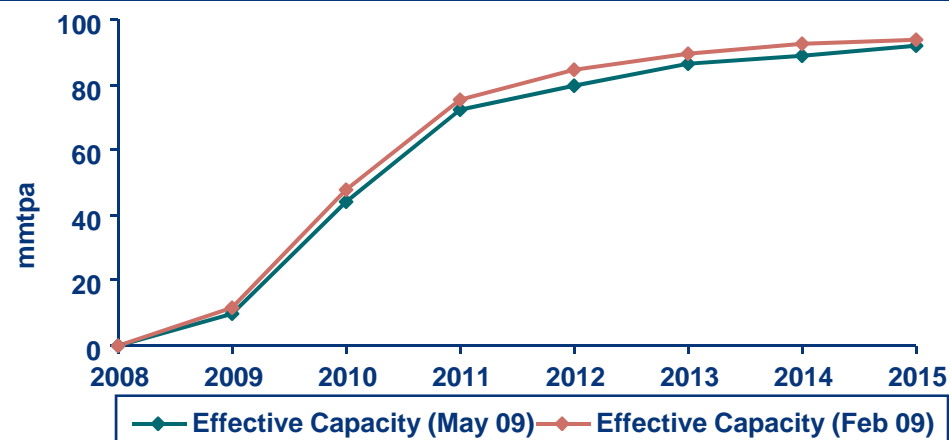
## Internationally, over the next few years 90 mmtpa of new LNG capacity will have come on-stream since Q1 2009

- › In Qatar, the first mega-train is on-stream with a further five expected to follow by the end of 2011
  - Sakhalin-2 and Tangguh have started to export LNG and we expect Yemen and at least one more mega-train in Qatar to follow by year-end
- › However, there will undoubtedly be issues as the trains ramp-up and our expectation of the LNG volumes that will actually be produced from this new capacity is somewhat lower than the nameplate capacity ('effective capacity')
- › We also continue to see delays to start-ups (e.g. Yemen and Skikda) which is further impacting the expected near-term production from the trains
  - Compare Feb-09 forecast with our latest view
- › Important to note that all of this capacity will eventually come on-line and will have a big impact on the market in the near term

Forecast Supply Additions from Capacity Currently Under Construction



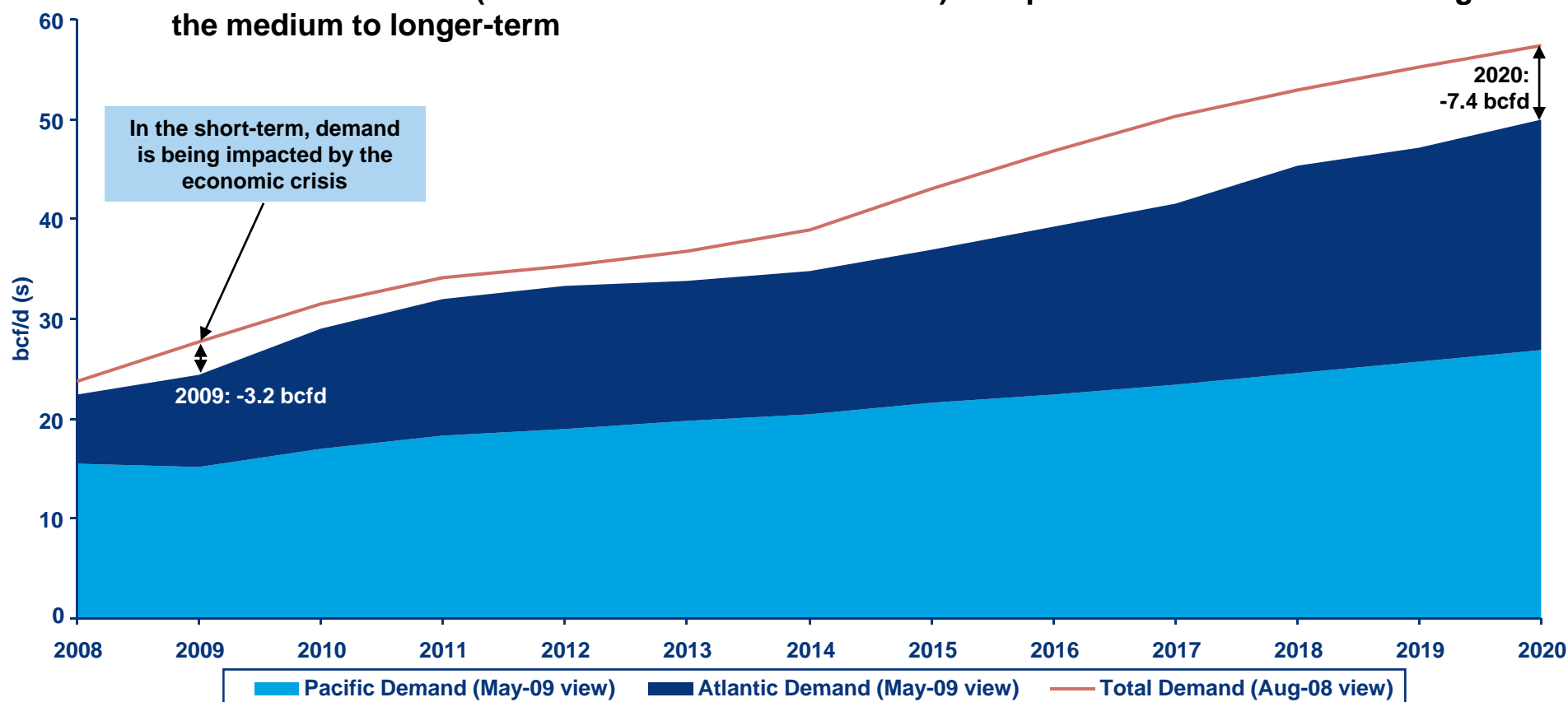
Forecast Production from Capacity Currently Under Construction (Latest View)



Note: 1 mmtpa of LNG = 0.13 bcfd of gas. Source: Wood Mackenzie LNG Tool

## At the same time, global LNG demand is coming under serious pressure...

- › North America had been key to forecast Atlantic Basin LNG demand growth, but the upside in indigenous unconventional gas production has dramatically reduced LNG requirements
- › The economic crisis (and associated loss of demand) is expected to create a 'demand lag' in the medium to longer-term

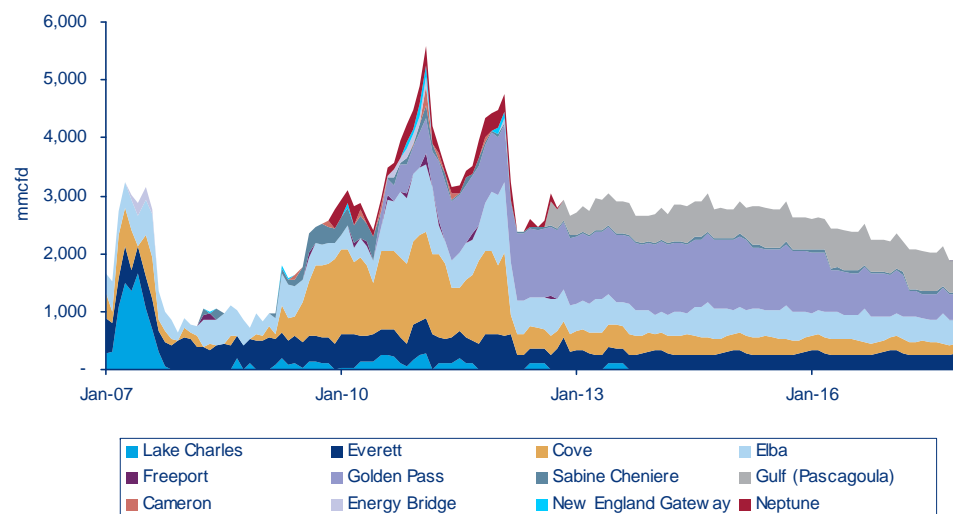


LNG trade in 2008, LNG demand 2009-20

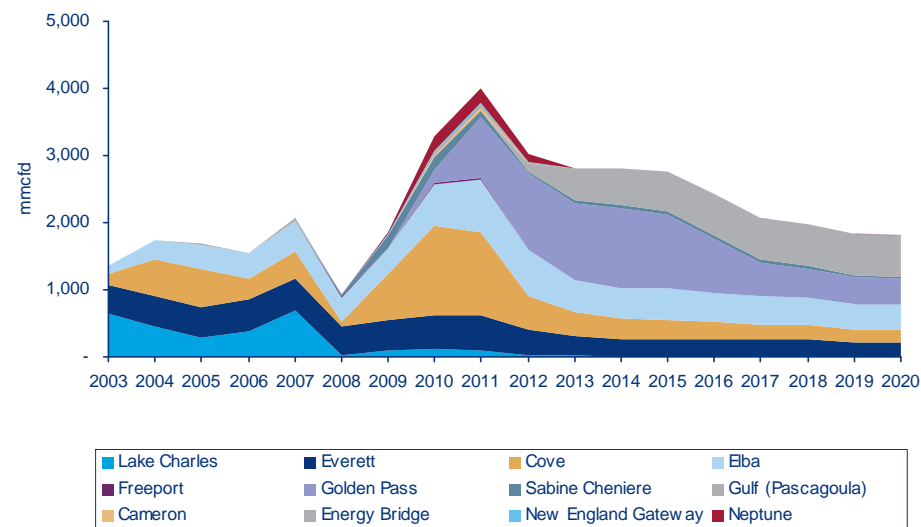
Source: Wood Mackenzie LNG Tool

## Net result: US LNG imports are expected to rise through 2012 before declining steadily

### Monthly LNG Volumes into the US



### Annual Average LNG Volumes into the US

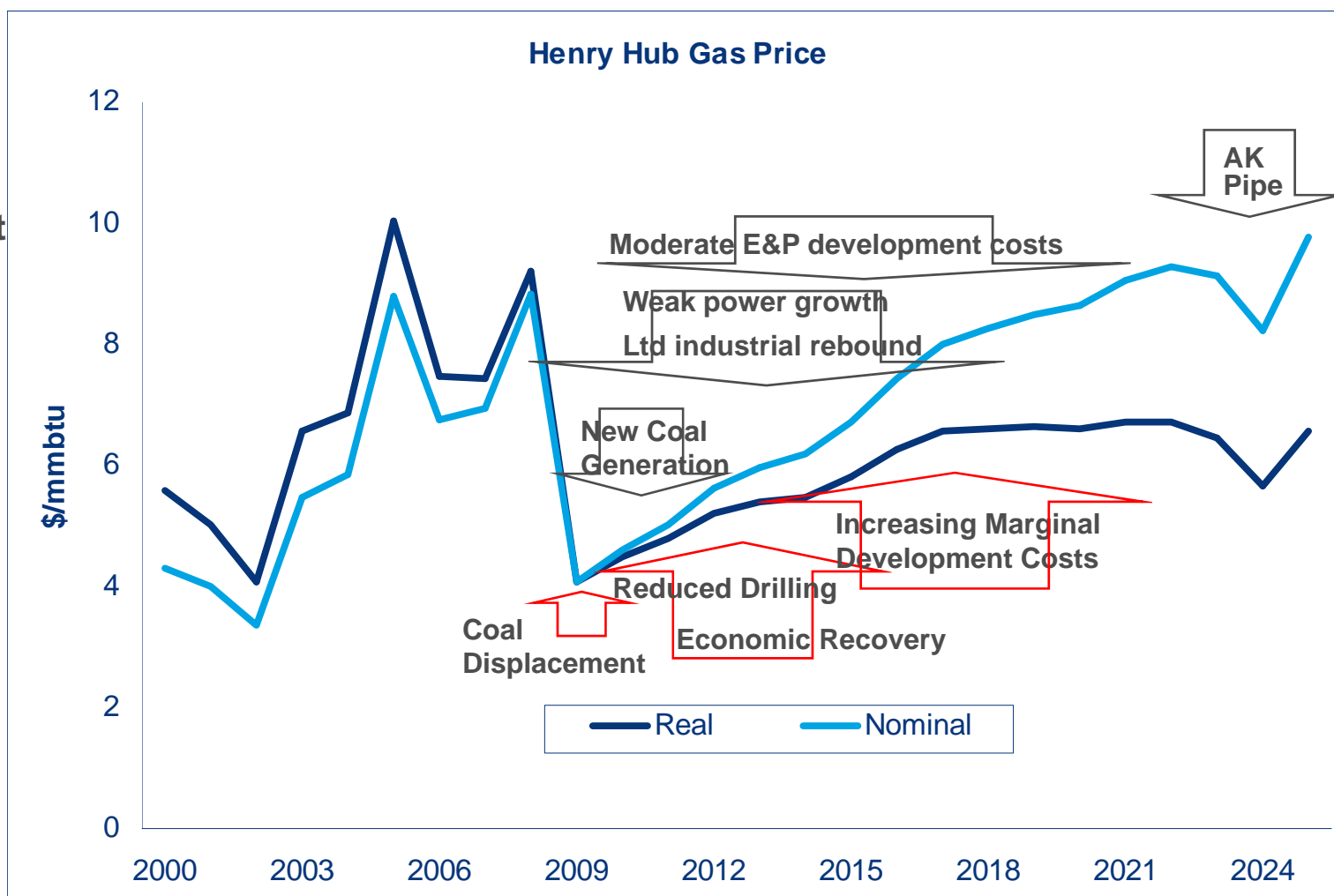


- › LNG imports rise by 1.5 – 2.0 Bcfd next year, helping to offset supply declines
- › Imports hit a peak of 4-5 Bcfd in 2011-2012 before beginning a long-term decline.
- › Gulf Coast imports will increase the most, along with Cove Point (MD).

Source: Wood Mackenzie North American Gas Service

**Bottom Line – Annual gas prices longer term will fluctuate between \$5.00 - \$6.50 (2009\$), trending higher, depending on the cost of US development.**

- › BUT – It could be another 2 years before prices are sustained within that range
- › Woodmac Nov-Mar: \$4.85
- › NYMEX (Wed): \$5.84
- › 2011: low \$4.00s at Henry, with static demand and more rigs active.
- › Don't you wish you could buy the Woodmac forward curve?





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