

## North American Gas:

### A dynamic environment

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### What Does the Future Hold? Key signposts



### Demand:

- Economic indicators: stall, or growth?
- Global petchem trends
- New policies: EPA, EPA, EPA!
  - EPA Cross States Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR)
  - EPA Air Toxics Maximum Achievable Technology (MACT) rule
  - EPA Coal ash disposal, ground-level ozone, cooling systems mandates
- Nuclear generation operating license extensions (following Japanese event)

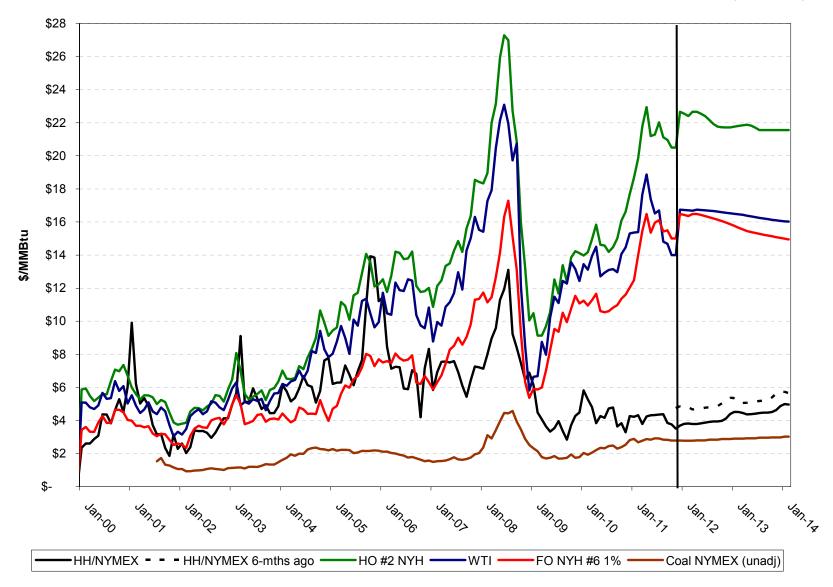
### Supply:

- Producer behaviors, funding for drilling programs
- Continued shift to liquids-rich drilling, oil plays
- Supply cost inflation? Or efficiency gains?
- EPA hydraulic fracturing study (late 2012)
- Timing of LNG export approvals NEB, DOE and FERC

### Natural Gas & Competing Fuels: Wide disconnect remains

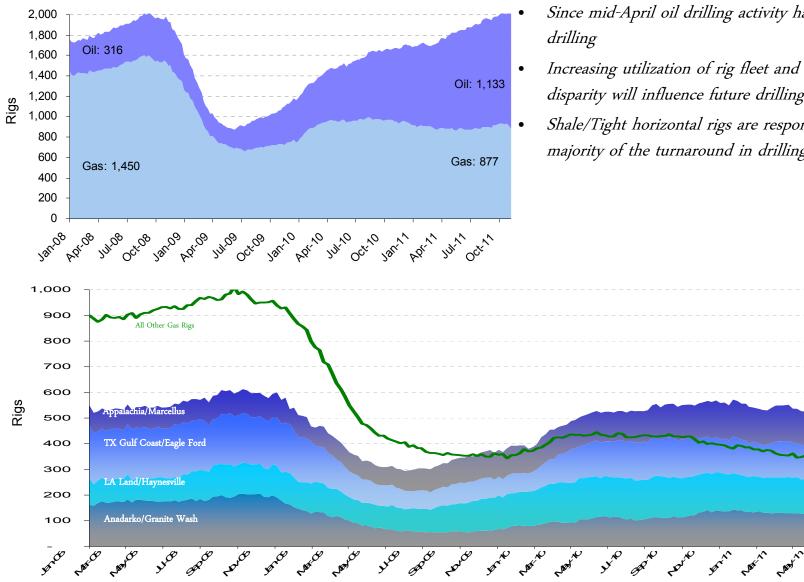


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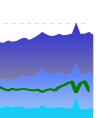


### Steady growth in rig counts with liquids focus...





- Since mid-April oil drilling activity has overtaken gas
- Increasing utilization of rig fleet and oil/gas price disparity will influence future drilling dynamics
- Shale/Tight horizontal rigs are responsible for the majority of the turnaround in drilling



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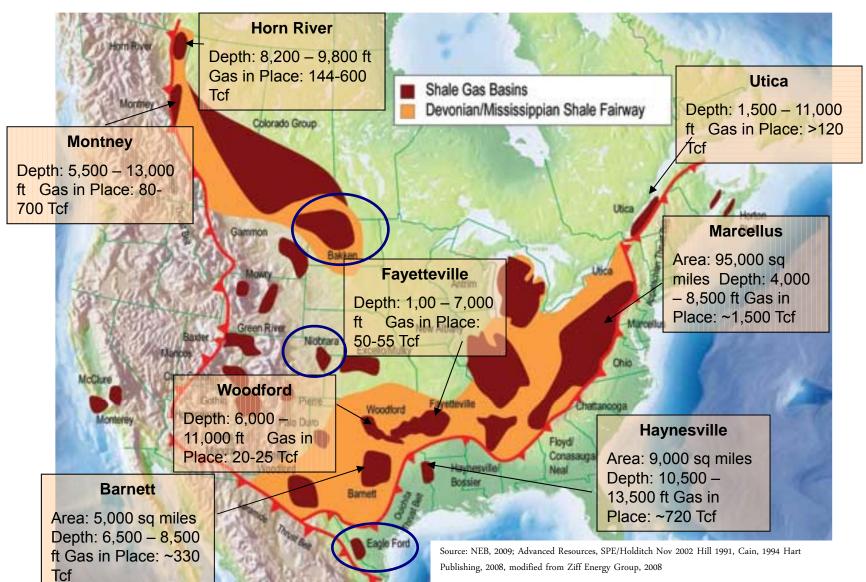
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# Unconventional development continues

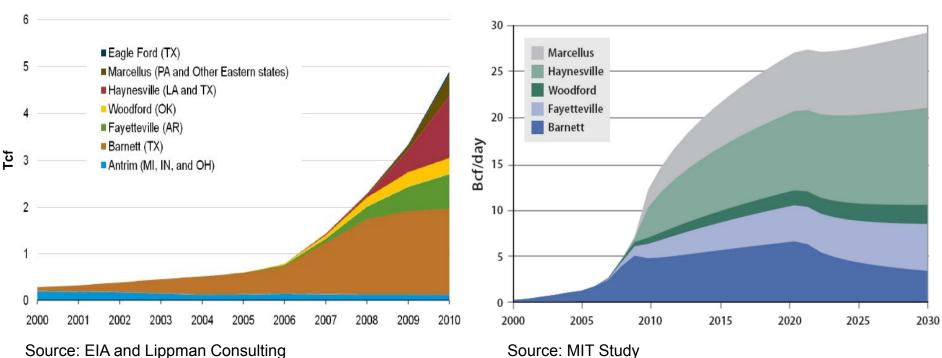




### US shale gas production outlook: A view



- US shale gas production has doubled in last 2 years and surpassed 15 Bcfd
- Production from existing shales (excl Eagle Ford) expected to double in next 20 years
- Key risks include: Environmental impact (footprint, water), operating challenges (costs, people)

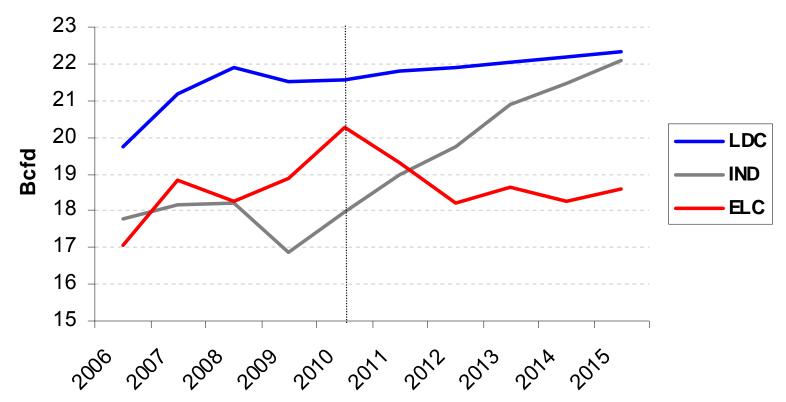


### Historical Shale Gas Production

Shale Gas Production Outlook

## One View: US Demand for natural gas driven by industrial sector?

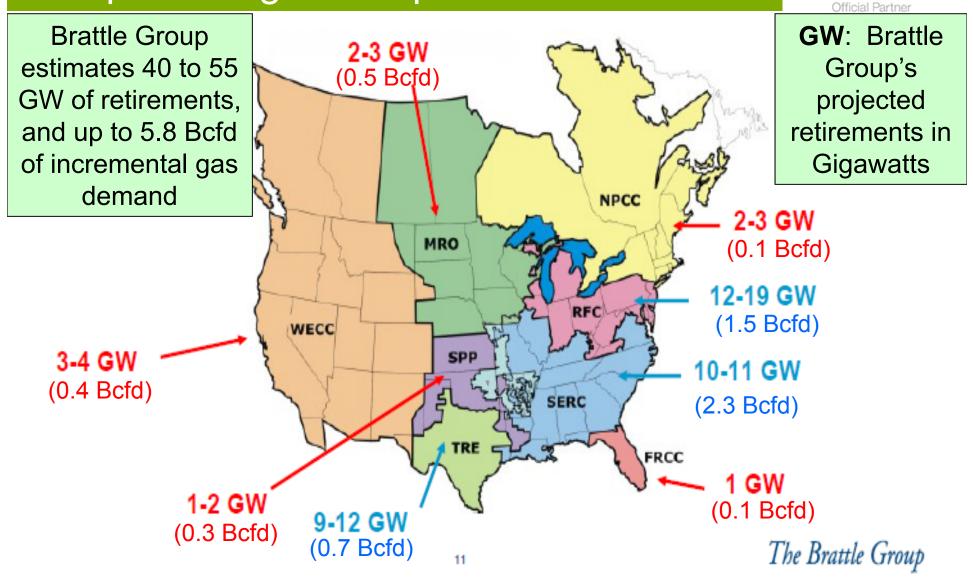




• *Historically, power sector led the growth of demand for natural gas; sector growth is projected to remain flat as per EIA* 

• Conversely, industrial sector is expected to lead the growth driven by growing demand for exports

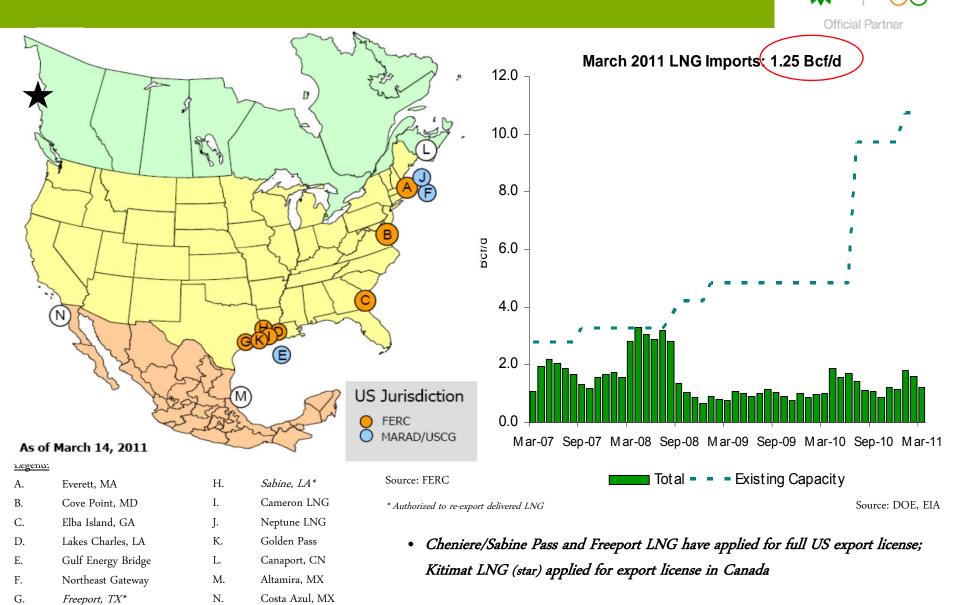
# Coal retirements could significantly impact the gas and power markets



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### US LNG Imports: Re-thinking strategy?

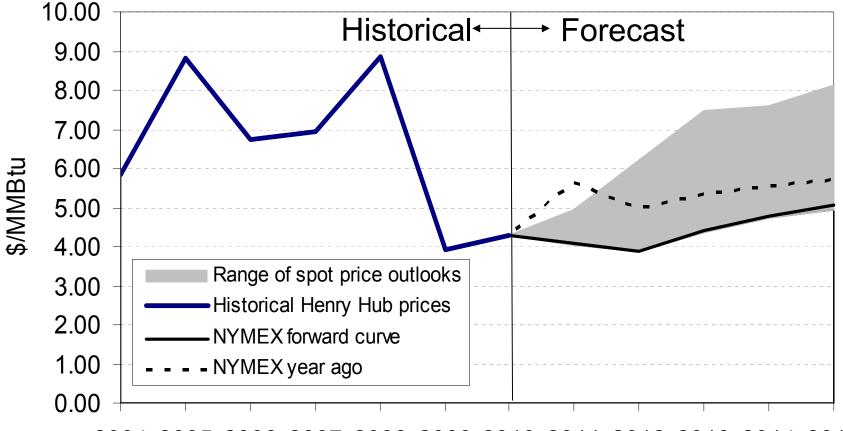


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# Long-Term Henry Hub spot price outlooks



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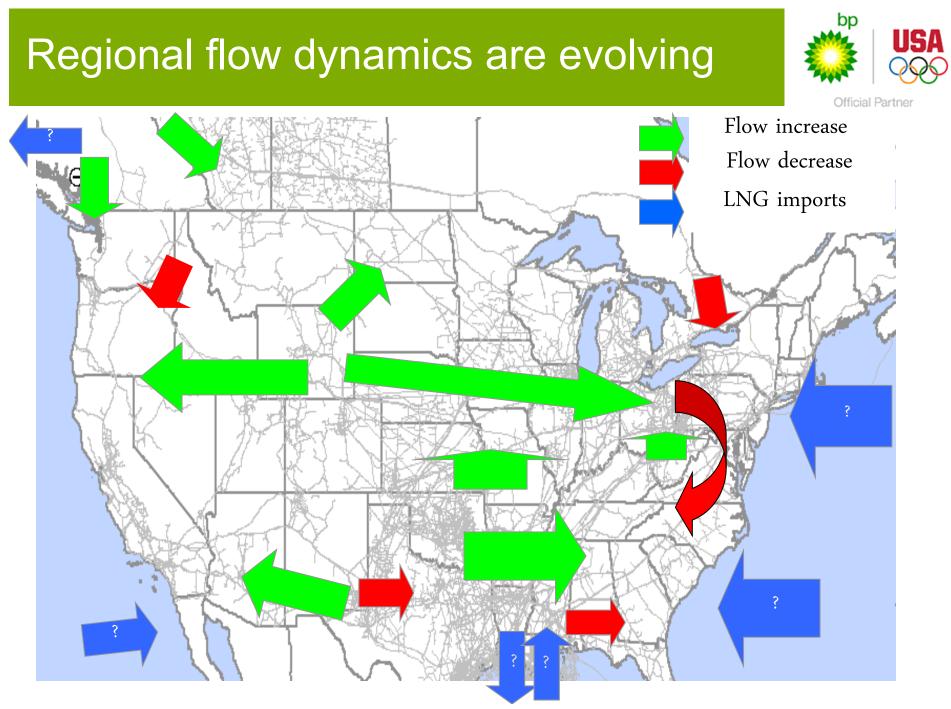


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View of gas demand, competing fuels, indigenous gas supply costs, production, and LNG imports will influence long-term outlook of gas prices – many moving parts!

### Questions?



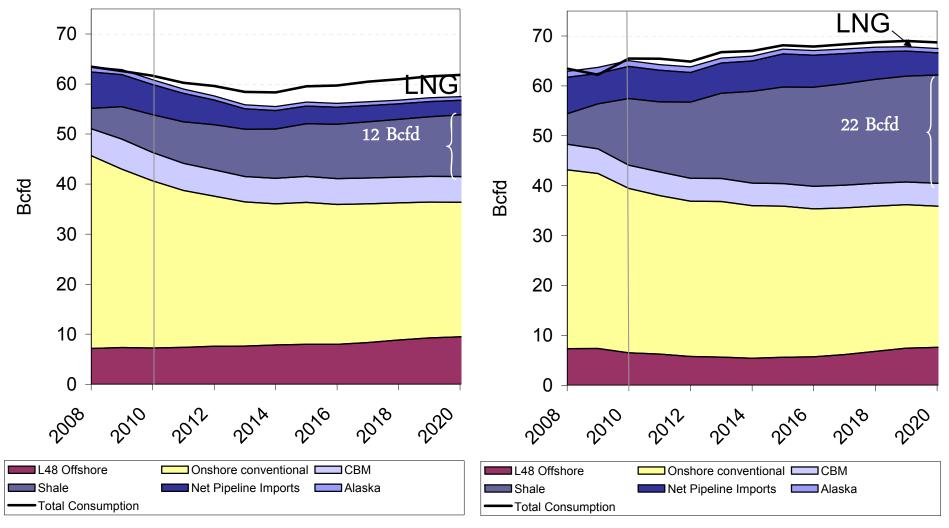


## US natural gas balances: What a difference a year makes



EIA 2010 Outlook

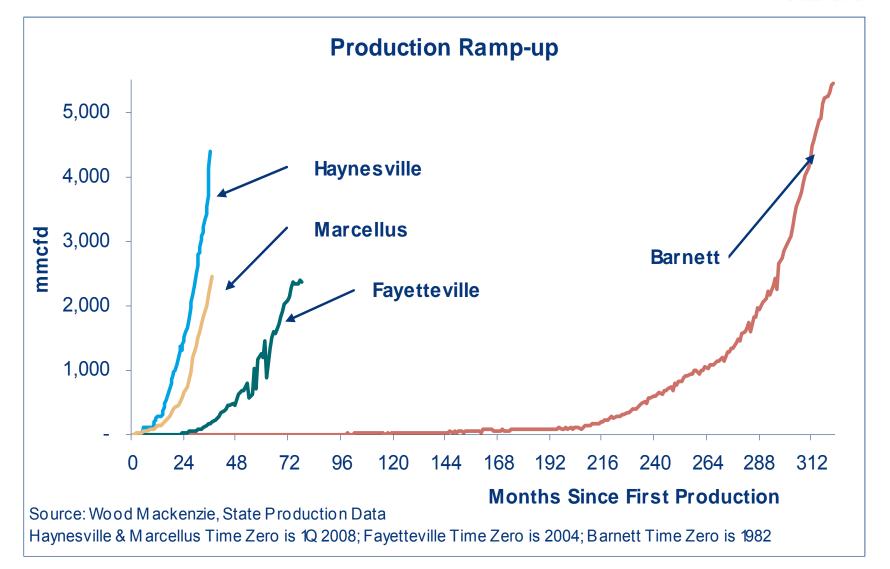
EIA 2011 Outlook



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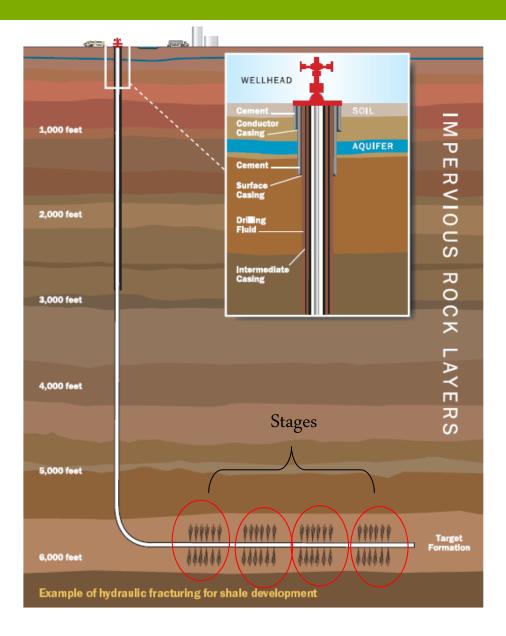
# Technology breakthrough unlocked shale resource





### What is hydraulic fracturing?





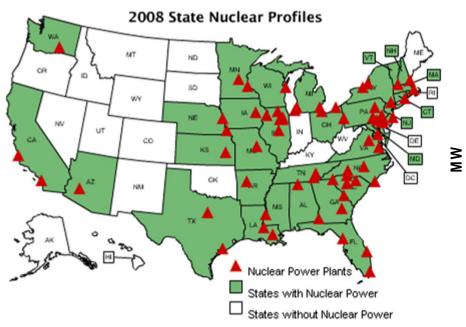
- Pump fracture fluid under high pressure to "prop" open the rock formation
- Proppants keep the fractures open for gas to flow to the well head
- Low permeability of rocks allows the combination of hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling to provide more exposure to the reservoir
- Fracture in stages to maintain pressure

#### Issues

- Water availability and water management
- Chemical disclosure
- Flowback water or produced water
- Naturally Occurred Radioactive Material (NORM)

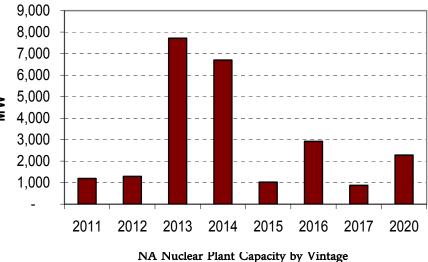
### Highly utilized and aged nuclear fleet: Watch for license renewals

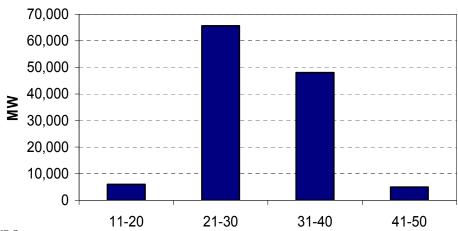




- Approximately 20% of US electricity net generation is nuclear
- Beginning in 2009 the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) granted 20-year license renewals to more than half of the nuclear operating reactors
- Operation length has increased from 40 to 60 years

NA Nuclear Plant Licenses Up for Renewals





Source: EIA, NRC