## **Petroleum Refining Future?**

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# Topics

Fossil Fuels or Electricity?

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### **Fossil Fuels or Electricity?**





### **Energy Markets Are Interconnected**



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https://flowcharts.llnl.gov/commodities/energy



### How do energy prices compare?

						Price	Price	Relative to
	Given Price		Heating Value			[\$/MWh]	[\$/MMBtu]	Natural Gas
RBOB Gasoline - wholesale	1.9149	\$ per gallon	115,000	Btu/gal	LHV	56.82	16.65	7.4
Heating Oil - wholesale	1.9392	\$ per gallon	130,500	Btu/gal	LHV	50.70	14.86	6.6
WTI Crude Oil	58.58	\$ per bbl	5.8	MMBtu/bbl	HHV	34.46	10.10	4.5
Brent Crude Oil	64.448	\$ per bbl	5.8	MMBtu/bbl	HHV	37.91	11.11	4.9
Ethanol - Chicago	1.4930	\$ per gallon	75,700	Btu/gal	LHV	67.30	19.72	8.7
Natural Gas - Henry Hub	2.256	\$ per MMBtu			нну 🍢	7.70	2.26	1.0
Propane - Mt.Belvieu	0.40250	\$ per gallon	90,905	Btu/gal	HHV	15.11	4.43	2.0
Powder River Basin Coal (low sulfur)	12.25	\$ per ton	8,800	Btu/lb	HHV	2.37	0.70	0.3
Illinois Basin (high sulfur)	39.10	\$ per ton	11,800	Btu/lb	HHV	5.65	1.66	0.7
Electricity (Residential, winter season)	5.461	¢ per kWh				54.61	16.00	7.1
Electricity (Residential, summer, over 500 kWh)	9.902	¢ per kWh				99.02	29.02	12.9
Electricity (Small Commercial, winter season)	4.256	¢ per kWh				42.56	12.47	5.5
Electricity (Small Commercial, summer season)	8.512	¢ per kWh				85.12	24.95	11.1
Hydrogen dispensed cost	13.99	\$ per kg	324.2	Btu/scf	HHV	354.77	103.97	46.1

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### Gasoline or Diesel? Residual Fuel Oils (Marine Fuel)?





### **U.S. Refinery & Blender Net Production**





## **Simplified Refinery BFD**



# **Gasoline/Diesel Demand Trends**

Since 2007 U.S. oil refining focus has been to maximize distillate production at the expense of gasoline production

- U.S. gasoline consumption has been decreasing
- U.S. & worldwide diesel consumption continuing to rise



**U.S. Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Consumption** 

Data from EIA.gov

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Ref: http://www.refinerlink.com/blog/Value\_Hydrocrackers\_US\_Refining/

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### **Little Flexibility Without Hydrocracker**



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# **Residual Fuel Oils**

### No. 6 Fuel Oil / Residual Fuel Oil / Marine Fuel

- Market has been declining in last 20 years primarily used by ships
  - Many ships moving to use diesel for marine diesels or gas turbines
- More power plants use coal or natural gas
- Environmental reductions in sulfur levels
- "Emission-control areas" (ECAs) will shift to low-sulfur diesel oil (MDO) starting January 1, 2015 – U.S., Canada, Caribbean, & northern Europe



 Other option on-board emissions-scrubbing systems

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#### FIG. 1. New sulfur limits for marine fuels, 2008–2020.

"Methanol takes on LNG for future marine fuels", Hydrocarbon Processing, May 2015



### **Oil: Light Sweet or Heavy Sour?**





# **Tight Oil from Shale Formations**

Tight oil production made possible by improved technology: directional drilling & hydraulic fracturing

Tight oil from the Bakken has made North Dakota the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest producing state in the US

Overall U.S. is now the largest oil producing country (as of February 2018)





Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration based on data from various published studies. Canada and Mexico plays from ARI Updated: May 9, 2011 <u>http://www.eia.gov/oil\_gas/rpd/northamer\_gas.jpg</u>

http://www.horizontaldrilling.org/



# **Canadian Oil Sands**

Heavy oils produced by various technologies

- Surface mining & hot water extraction
- In situ heating
  - CSS (Cyclic Steam Stimulation)
  - SAGD (Steam Assisted Gravity Drainage)
- Upgrading
  - Exported product much lighter than feedstock



http://newenergyandfuel.com/http:/newenergyandfuel/com /2009/08/12/making-syncrude/

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#### Canada oil sands areas



Source: Government of Alberta Energy

#### http://www.ogi.com/unconventional-resources/oil-sands.html



ryId=9036694&contentId=7067647



# **Tight Oil & Oil Sands Considerations**

Tight oil tends to be light & sweet – replacement to WTI

Products from oil sands depend upon production technology

- Mining & in situ SAGD production gives heavy & sour product compete with other imported heavy oils
  - Must be mixed with light diluent to allow transport ("dilbit")
  - Excess naphtha & LPG in the northern region viewed as source of diluent
- Product from upgraders would be light compete with tight oils
- Oil Sands projects tend to be very expensive & require high crude oil market price for cost recovery
  - Largest undeveloped projects are Canadian oil sands projects requiring estimated \$128 to \$159 per bbl<sup>1</sup>

Expectation is that each type will separately displace imported oil from the US refiner's crude slate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>http://www.carbontracker.org/site/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/CTI\_Oil\_Gas\_Majors\_Company\_Factsheets\_August\_2014\_FULL.pdf</u>



## **Transportation Infrastructure is Key**

\$7 billion Keystone XL Pipeline had been proposed to bring oils sands to Gulf Coast

- U.S. government approval status
  - Had been rejected November 2015 after 6 years of evaluation
  - Reinstated January 2017

In many respects the section south from Cushing was the most important part to improve flow of all midcontinent oil.

- Started flow early 2014, up to 700,000 bpd capacity
- WTI & Brent differential closed up



http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/special/nation/keystone-xl-map/



### **Transportation Infrastructure is Key**

Rail became preferred method to bring incremental barrels out of Bakken & Eagle Ford



CRUDE OIL BY RAIL



America's freight railroads support the nation's energy renaissance by moving domestic energy resources such as crude oil. Since 2009, when domestic crude oil production started to surge, U.S. railroads have originated more than two million carloads of crude oil. To help ensure the safety of crude oil movements, freight railroads have implemented new operating protocols and advocated for stronger tank car design standards, while federal regulators have issued more stringent safety regulations related to crude oil transport.

Notes: Data are for U.S. Class I railroads Source: Association of American Railroads



http://www.cpr.ca/en/ship-with-cp/where-youcan-ship/bakken-shale/Documents/bakken.pdf

https://www.aar.org/Pages/Crude-Oil-Rail-Traffic.aspx



# **Transportation Infrastructure is Key**

### Rail as preferred method to bring incremental barrels out of Bakken & Eagle Ford

- Concerns from communities
  - Increased emissions, especially in California
  - Advertising timing of oil shipments could be a matter of home security
- Safety concerns train derailments July 2013 Quebec (40 dead), December 2013 ND, & others
- ANSI & API released new recommended practices for shipping crude by rail (ANSI/API Recommended Practice 3000) in September 2014



"U.S. sets new final rule on oil, ethanol trains", Aug. 4, 2015 http://www.agprofessional.com/news/us-sets-new-final-rule-oil-ethanol-trains



# **Rail Safety**

New rules from US DOT & Canadian transportation officials went into effect Oct. 1, 2015

- New tank cars must have an outer shell, a thermal lining, improved top and bottom fittings and thicker 9/16ths-inch steel walls
- By Jan. 1, 2021, trains of at least 70 cars must have electronically controlled brakes to automatically stop all the cars in a train at the same time



Each rail car holds about 30,000 gal (714 bbls)

### Implications

Will require replacing all DOT-111 & non-jacketed CPC-1232 cars for Packing Group I within 5 years

#### New rules:

http://www.pennenergy.com/articles/pennenergy/2015/05/oil-and-gas-transportation-us-canada-unveil-rules-to-boost-oil-trainsafety.html?cmpid=EnlDailyPetroMay42015 http://www.downstreambusiness.com/global-refining-petrochemicals-fuels-processing/US-DOT-Issues-Final-Crude-Ethanol-Tank-Car-Rule\_141353 Picture: http://www.nytimes.com/2015/05/02/business/energy-environment/us-sets-new-rules-for-oil-shipments-by-rail.html? r=0



# **Other Pipeline Projects**

450 Mbpd Dakota Access line was to open Q4 2016

- Allow flow of Bakken oil to gulf coast
- Energy Transfer Partners primary owner
  - Other partners include Phillips 66, Enbridge & Marathon Petroleum
- Reinstated January 2017; started operations June 2017

### Dakota pipeline to speed crude to U.S. Gulf

The Dakota Access Pipeline, scheduled to open in the fourth quarter, will make it easier for producers to move barrels of oil to the refining-heavy U.S. Gulf Coast.



http://www.hydrocarbonprocessing.com/news/2016/08/big-dakota-pipeline-to-give-gulf-coast-refiners-another-option-for-crude-supply



# What Does This Mean for U.S. Refiners?

Tight oil production should ensure domestic supply to refineries needing sweet crude in the next 10 – 15 years

 Expected to peak @ 4.8 million bpd in 2021 (EIA, Dec. 2013)

Investments to allow refiners to process heavy sour crudes might limit the ability to utilize tight oil

- Exporting tight oil recently permitted by U.S. Government
- Expect to still import heavy oil

Public concerns could put the brakes on this production

- High energy requirements for producing Canadian oil sands
- High water quantities needed for tight oil & oil sands production
- Public concerns about hydraulic fracturing
- Public concerns about oil transport by rail
- Public concerns about oil transport by pipeline



http://www.hydrocarbonprocessing.com/Article/32 23989/Channel/194955/Innovative-solutions-forprocessing-shale-oils.html



### **Role of Biofuels in the U.S.?**





## **Clean Air Act & Amendments**

### Series of Clean Air Acts

- Air Pollution Control Act of 1955
- Clean Air Act of 1963
- Air Quality Act of 1967
- Clean Air Act Extension of 1970
- Clean Air Act Amendments in 1977 & 1990

1977 Clean Air Act amendments set requirements for "substantially similar gasoline"

- Oxygenates added to make motor fuels burn more cleanly & reduce tailpipe pollution (particularly CO)
- Required that oxygenates be approved by the U.S. EPA
- MTBE & ethanol primary choices

California Phase 3 gasoline regulation approved by California Air Resources Board in December 1999 prohibited gasoline with MTBE after December 31, 2002

Water quality issues



### 2007 Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS2)

	Renewable Fuel	Advanced Biofuels	Cellulosic Biofuel	RFS - AB	
Year	Bgal/yr	Bgal/yr	Bgal/yr	Bgal/yr	
2006	4.000			4.000	
2007	4.700			4.700	
2008	9.000			9.000	
2009	11.100	0.600		10.500	E
2010	12.950	0.950	0.100	12.000	C
2011	13.950	1.350	0.250	12.600	
2012	15.200	2.000	0.500	13.200	
2013	16.550	2.750	1.000	13.800	
2014	18.150	3.750	1.750	14.400	
2015	20.500	5.500	3.000	15.000	
2016	22.250	7.250	4.250	15.000	
2017	24.000	9.000	5.500	15.000	
2018	26.000	11.000	7.000	15.000	
2019	28.000	13.000	8.500	15.000	
2020	30.000	15.000	10.500	15.000	
2021	33.000	18.000	13.500	15.000	
2022	36.000	21.000	16.000	15.000	

Energy Independence & Security Act of 2007



Replaced the RFS of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 Administered by the Environmental Protection Agency http://epa.gov/otag/renewablefuels/index.htm



# **EPA Clarifications & Adjustments**

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2006	4.000							
2007	4.700							
2008	9.000							
2009	11.100	0.600						
2010	12.950	0.950	0.100	12.950	0.950	0.0065	1.150	
2011	13.950	1.350	0.250	13.950	1.350	0.0066	0.800	
2012	15.200	2.000	0.500	15.200	2.000	0.01045	1.500	
2013	16.550	2.750	1.000	16.550	2.750	0.0060	1.280	
2014	18.150	3.750	1.750	16.28	2.67	0.033	1.63	
2015	20.500	5.500	3.000	16.93	2.88	0.123	1.73	
2016	22.250	7.250	4.250	18.11	3.61	0.230	1.90	
2017	24.000	9.000	5.500	19.28	4.28	0.311	2.00	
2018	26.000	11.000	7.000	19.29	4.29	0.288	2.1	
2019	28.000	13.000	8.500	19.92	4.92	0.42	2.1	
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Biodiesel volumes actual. All other volumes ethanol-equivalent.

Advanced Biofuel:

Renewable fuel (other than corn starch derived ethanol) with 50% less than baseline lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions.

Cellulosic Biofuel:

Renewable fuel from lignocellulosic biomass with 60% less than baseline lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions.

#### Refs:

http://epa.gov/otaq/fuels/renewablefuels/regulations.htm

https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2019-07/documents/rfs-2020-standards-nprm-2019-07-05.pdf



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# "Unforeseen" Issues with RFS-2

Production of advanced biofuels not increasing at rate expected & mandated by the law

Both technology & commercial issues

The "blend wall" - Enough gasoline to incorporate all this ethanol?

- 136 B gal motor gasoline sold in US in 2012 E10 can only incorporate 13.6 B gal
  - 2012 requires 15.2 B gal ethanol 12% greater amount

Full amount of renewable fuel will suppress amount of gasoline in the market

 36 B gal ethanol + 112 B gal gasoline will give energy equivalent of 2012's 136 B gal gasoline – 82% of the 2012 gasoline amount

Increased CAFE standards give further downward pressure on gasoline demand

- 2007 Energy & Security Act raises to 35 mpg by 2020
  - Increased to 35.5 mpg by 2016 by executive order
- 2025 target for passenger vehicles & light trucks 54.5 mpg
- Electric & plug-in hybrids will increase electricity demand at expense of petroleum









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