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- The largest source of energy in the world (36.4% of primary energy consumption in 2005)

- The ultimate fuel for international trade – *easily moved* by tanker and pipeline

- Highly subject to Geopolitics – the OPEC cartel has three quarters of remaining reserves and the only remaining spare production capacity – terrorism or natural disasters like Hurricanes Katrina and Rita can cause extreme price volatility

- Alternatives to oil have seen similar price spikes over the past several years (*natural gas, coal and uranium*)

















WHEN?

- Debatable, because of the variables, BUT IT IS HIGHLY LIKELY TO HAPPEN

DEPENDS ON:

- <u>ULTIMATE RECOVERABLE RESERVES</u> - a function of: - <u>Mother Nature's Endowment</u> (total discovered and undiscovered resources)

- <u>Technology and Price</u> (determines economics)
- <u>Reserve Appreciation (Growth) in known pools</u> (through more drilling, better technology and higher prices)

- <u>RATE OF CONSUMPTION</u> - a function of:

- <u>Price</u> (controls economic growth and
 - encourages/discourages conservation)
- Infrastructure for production
- <u>Depletion rates</u> of producing pools























Yes, But We've Got the OIL SANDS – More Oil than Saudi Arabia!

- The Oil Sands cannot significantly offset declines in world production because of the lead times and capital investment required. Massive expansions in the Oil Sands and Venezuelan Orinoco extra-heavy oil belt could increase combined production from 1.74 million barrels per day at present to as much as six million barrels per day by 2025, which is only 5% of EIA forecast World Demand in 2025.

- Oil from the oil sands is very energy intensive – Forecast four- to five-fold growth to 2025 will require between 1.6 and 2.3 bcf/day of natural gas, which is approximately equivalent to the planned maximum capacity of the MacKenzie Valley pipeline of 1.9 bcf/day, or about one-fifth of forecast Canadian domestic consumption.

- Expansion of capacity is limited by natural gas supply and natural gas price, which could destroy economics if there are shortfalls in supply, barring widespread application of non-thermal processes, or switching to alternative fuels.

- Expansion of capacity is limited by water supply (¹need average of 1-2 barrels of make-up water for every barrel of oil depending on recovery method and technology), let alone future expansion unless technologies to reduce water consumption and/or further recycle water can be employed.

- Expansion of bitumen export capacity may also be limited by projected shortfalls of condensate/light crude diluent for blending which are forecast to occur in the 2004-2006 timeframe (National Energy Board, 2003), requiring other alternatives such as synthetic crude or conventional light oil.

(¹CERI report 2003)































































FUTURE OUTLOOK:

- *IMPLICATIONS* – If supply and demand forecasts are to be believed, there appear to be serious supply shortfalls in Continental natural gas coming – *Canada is unlikely to be able to fill the supply gap*

- SOLUTIONS - probably involve a portfolio of options:

- Conservation and Efficiency
- LNG already factored into existing forecasts; GEOPOLITICAL + NIMBY IMPLICATIONS
- Unconventional Gas already factored into existing forecasts in a big way
- Fuel Switching to oil or coal capacity quite limited without new capital investment
- Destroy Demand move gas intensive industries offshore (fertilizer and petrochemical plants) this is already happening; GEOPOLITICAL IMPLICATIONS









COAL

- Two-thirds of the world's remaining hydrocarbon energy

- 27.8% of the world's primary energy consumption in 2005 – second only to OIL – Projected by EIA to be fastest growing fuel through 2030

- Used for electricity generation (more so than any other fuel), primary heat and in the steel industry

- Lowest cost heat source: \$0.84-\$3.00US/gigajoule versus \$9.52US/gigajoule for gas and \$9.69US/gigajoule for oil

- Double the carbon footprint of gas using conventional technology – with advanced "clean coal" technologies the carbon footprint can be reduced almost to that of gas (but costs \$\$\$)

- Fastest growing hydrocarbon fuel source: consumption has grown 23% since yearend 2001 (5.0% in 2005)

















WHAT ABOUT "CLEAN COAL"?

- Higher efficiency generation with new technologies can reduce CO_2 emissions by 25% given existing technologies – more in future, coupled with 99+% reduction in particulates, 99% in SO_x , 90% in NO_x and 90% in mercury

- Clean Coal technologies to reduce emissions coupled with a very aggressive conservation and efficiency program may make more sense than carbon capture and storage at the scale that would allow business-as-usual to exist for a few more years

- Carbon capture and storage implies parasitic power losses of 23 - 37% to plants requiring more plant construction and more fuel consumption to cover losses

- Carbon capture and storage requires much higher capital costs for plant construction (32-74%)

- Carbon capture and storage is unproven at the scale required to make a difference and the CO_2 transportation and sequestration issue likely means even more capital and parasitic energy losses





ELECTRICITY Availability of reliable electricity defines our modern civilization Electricity in essence cannot be stored in bulk – it must be generated on demand We convert hydrocarbons to electricity at an energy penalty of from 30 to 70% Electricity is transmitted to points of use with losses depending on transmission distance – IT IS NOT A WORLD TRADABLE COMMODITY











Implementation Times and Other Considerations For New Electricity Infrastructure				
FACTOR	GAS	COAL	NUCLEAR	HYDRO
Capital Cost	LOW- MOD	MOD-HIGH	HIGH - VERY HIGH	VERY HIGH
Fuel Cost	VERY HIGH	LOW	VERY LOW	VERY LOW
Environmental Footprint	LOW	MOD(now) LOW(future)	VERY LOW ¹	VERY LOW ²
Time to startup (years)	1-2+	5-7+	5-12+	6-10+
¹ If the as yet unsolved problem of waste disposal is not considered ² If the environmental costs of flooding river valleys, siltation and ecosystem impacts are not considered				















HYDROGEN The Silver Bullet?

- Hydrogen is an ENERGY CARRIER not an ENERGY SOURCE

- Hydrogen is largely created from hydrocarbons or electrolysis, each of which can be used directly without the energy conversion losses to hydrogen

- Because of energy losses in production of hydrogen from hydrocarbons or electrolysis, a "Hydrogen Economy" could actually exacerbate the greenhouse gas emission and Global Warming Problem, if hydrogen cannot be generated exclusively from renewable sources (conversion from gas loses 30% and from electolysis 28% (not including the losses from hydrocarbons to electricity – a further 30-70%))

- The stock brokers have already figured it out - witness "Hydrogen's nonfuture" published in the Financial Post of April 3, 2004, based on BMO Nesbitt Burns analysis of the Hydrogen Economy





The Last Piece of the Energy Sustainability Puzzle:

POPULATION GROWTH and ASPIRATIONS OF GROWTH IN ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD





















Summary

- The five-fold expansion of global population since 1850 has been made possible by non-renewable fuels, the consumption of which pervades all aspects of society food, transportation, communication etc.
- The eight-fold expansion of global per capita energy consumption since 1850 has been entirely a result of consumption of non-renewable energy
- North America consumes a disproportionate amount of energy (5 times the global per capita average). The Developing World understandably aspires to North American energy consumption levels, however, finite non-renewable resources are unlikely to be sufficient to allow this to happen, setting the stage for global conflict over energy
- The realities of the finite nature of non-renewable energy resources are now becoming evident – peak oil in many producing countries, peak North American natural gas, ten-fold increase in uranium prices since 2000, imports of coal into the US after centuries of self-sufficiency
- Despite the hype, renewable energy technologies are <u>EXTREMELY</u> <u>UNLIKELY</u> to be able to replace non-renewable energy in existing energy demand forecasts – a sustainable future lies in radically reducing and rethinking energy consumption

Summary

- The US (and later Canada) will become increasingly more vulnerable to the vagaries of imported supplies, not just for oil and natural gas, but for the products produced from them petrochemicals, fertilizers etc.
- LNG will help offset these declines but North America will be in competition with other countries who also see LNG as a solution – competition for supplies and NIMBY will likely limit LNG's impact (and we must be mindful of LNG's full cycle carbon emissions)
- Research on new sources such as gas hydrates, shale gas etc. must continue but it would be a huge mistake to assume these sources will be there as an excuse to perpetuate business-as-usual based on what we know so far
- Natural gas is a very high value fuel and should be conserved for its highest value uses through substitution where possible in an environment of overall radically reduced demand

Summary

- There are some crucial decisions to be made with respect to the future energy security of North America - the future represents a huge challenge and these decisions must be made objectively without ruling out any incremental contribution to supply - we will likely need them all
- Coal represents the most abundant remaining hydrocarbon resource in North America and is forecast to be the largest source of generation by far in the US through 2030
- Even maintaining nuclear's contribution to North America's electricity generation implies a major program of repowering, decommissioning and replacing the aging nuclear fleet
- The natural gas option for replacement of Ontario's coal plants could be extremely problematic given forecast gas deliverability declines and likely price volatility (30-40 year investments need fuel security)
- Future use of coal in Ontario cannot be ruled out if energy security is important, but must utilize the best available technologies, which can greatly reduce emissions of SO_x, NO_x, Mercury, Particulates and CO₂ even more improvements in efficiency can be made if coal can be implemented in power with district heat application configurations

"...a Lower-Impact Society is the Most Impossible Scenario for Our Future... ...Except for all other Conceivable Scenarios"

Jared Diamond (2005) from his best-seller "Collapse"

