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MEMORANDUM

TO: Power Committee

FROM: Massoud Jourabchi

SUBJECT: Northwest Gas Association Natural Gas Outlook

Dan Kirschner, Executive Director of the Northwest Gas Association will present NWGA's 2014 Outlook for natural gas supplies, demand and prices for 2014-2023. The outlook includes an aggregation of supply and demand projections by NWGA member utilities.

Key Conclusions (excerpted) from the 2014 Outlook include:

Supply: The enormity of North America's natural gas resource, made available by extracting hydrocarbons from shale rock formations deep underground, is fundamentally changing the energy landscape. Natural gas production continues to exceed expectations despite lower natural gas prices, reallocation of capital and concerns over shale production techniques. Pacific Northwest natural gas consumers benefit from their proximity to the prolific Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin and U.S. Rocky Mountain natural gas producing regions. The market for additional capacity in the region has evolved as the market need has shifted.

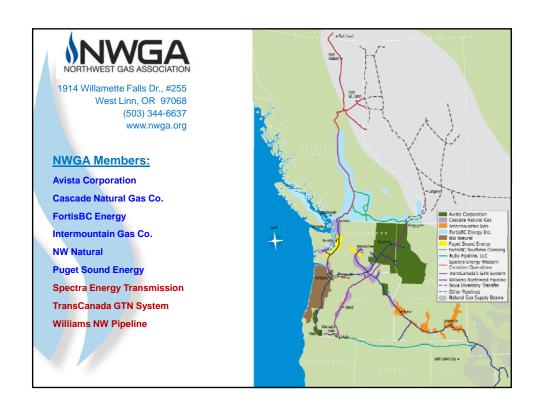
Demand: While growth rates in the Pacific Northwest over the forecast period remain about the same as in the 2013 Outlook, annual volumes start lower. The industrial sector is showing signs of life in the region with higher loads and a faster rate of growth than projected in the 2013 Outlook.

Prices: Spot and futures prices rebounded in 2013 but continue to reflect an abundance of North American natural gas. Most long-term price forecasts have declined significantly since 2008, when large volumes of natural gas from shale began to affect the market.

2014 Northwest Gas Market Outlook

Northwest Power and Conservation Council Boise, Idaho May 6, 2014





What is the Outlook?

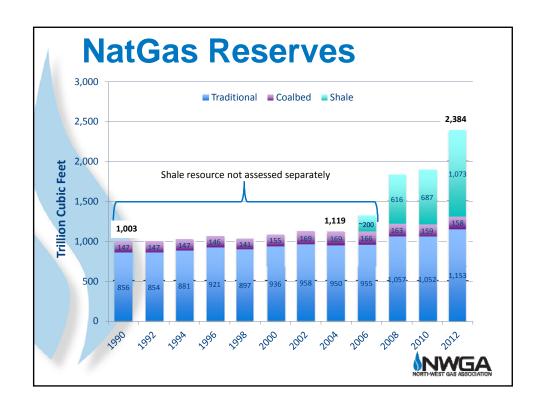
- Aggregation of IRPs and other planning docs.
- A consensus regional perspective.
- Can be read/downloaded at: http://www.nwga.org/2014-gasoutlook

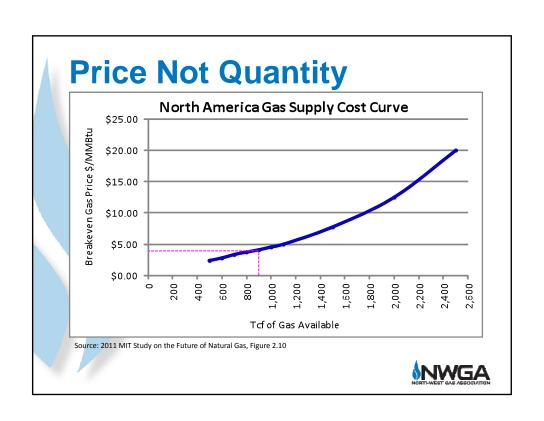


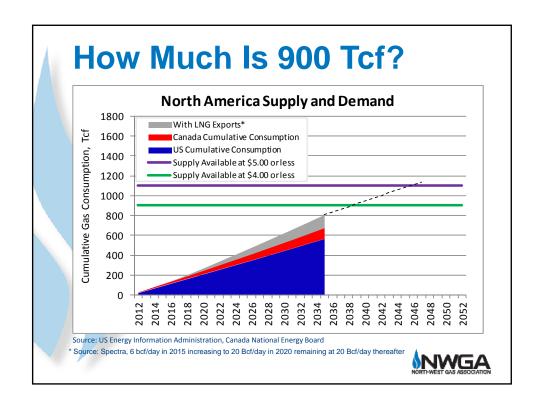
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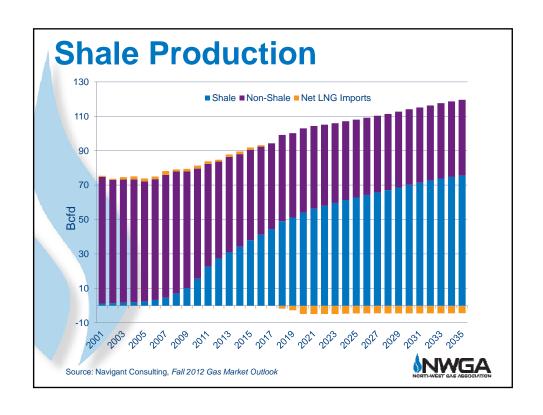
- Introduction/Executive Summary
- Sidebars
 - BC Supply
 - Economic Outlook
 - Market Development Successes/Challenges
 - Gas/Electric Collaboration
 - IRP Preferred Resources
 - IRP Assumptions (Appendix)
- Demand Scenarios
 - Industrial
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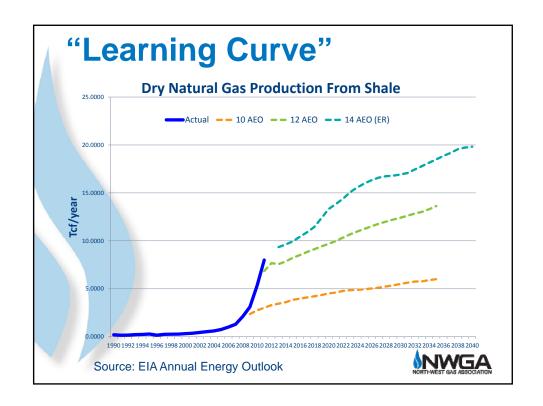


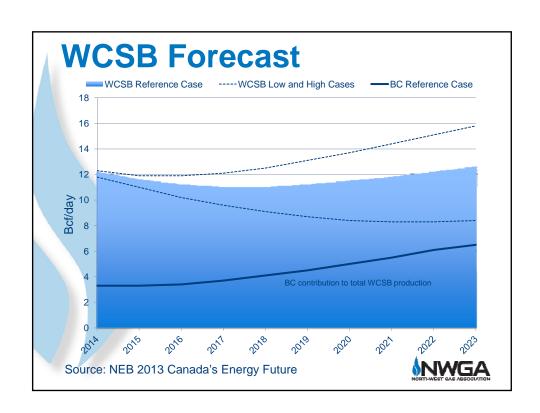


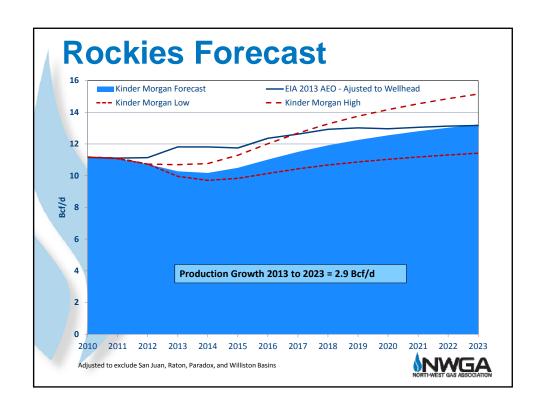


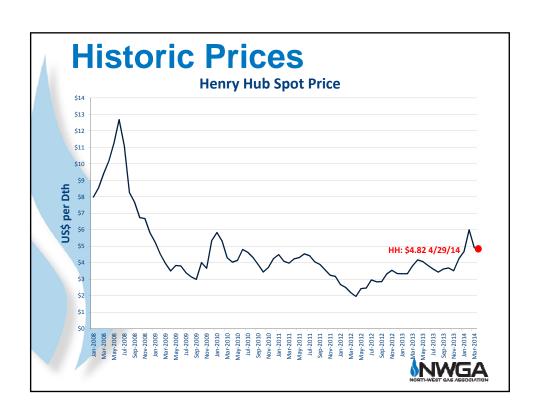


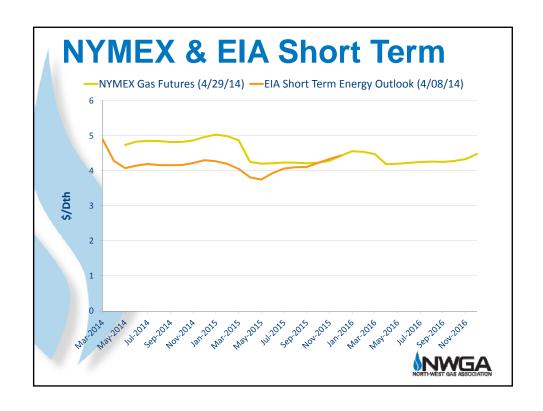


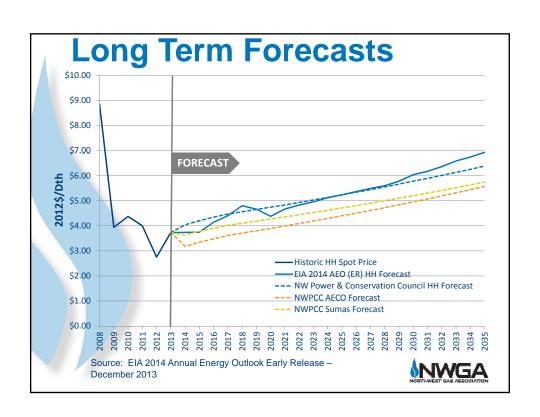


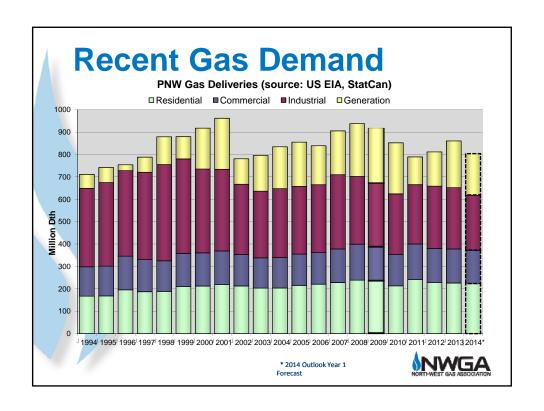


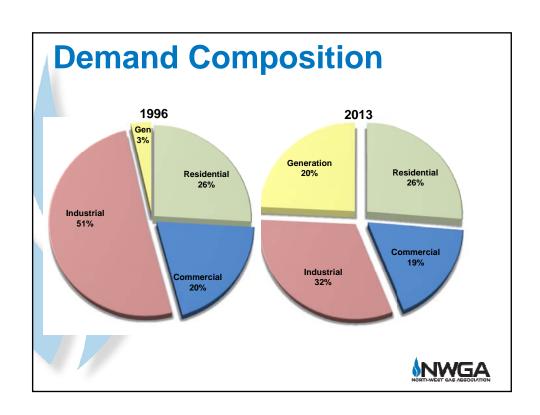








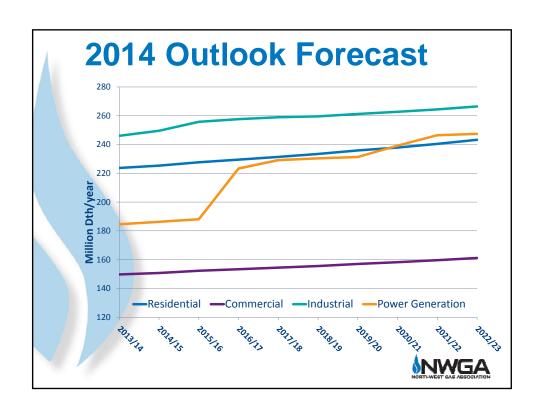


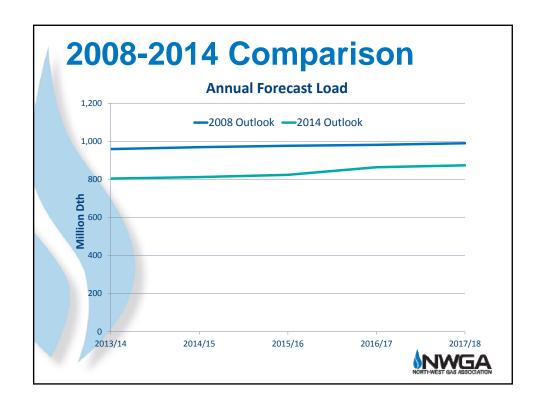


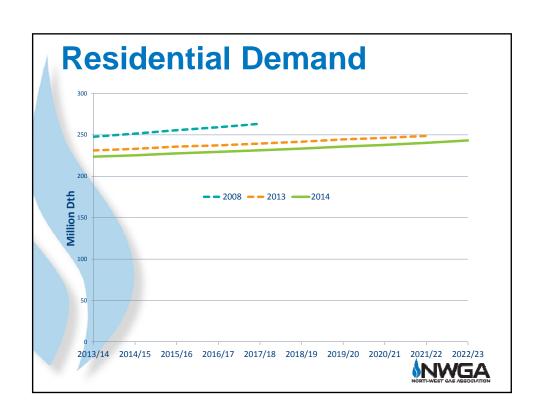
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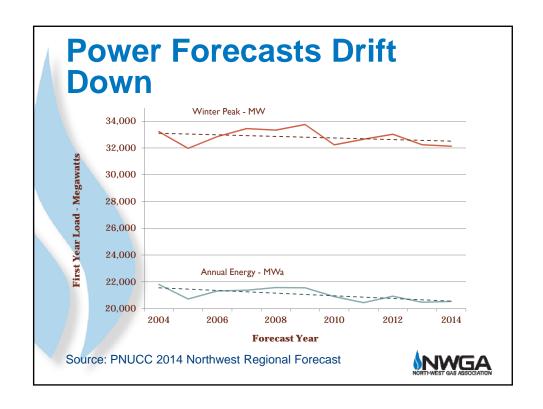
		Low		Expected		High	
		Annual Rate	Cumulative	Annual Rate	Cumulative	Annual Rate	Cumulative
Т	OTAL	0.9%	8.7%	1.5%	14.2%	2.2%	21.7%
Resid	dential	0.7%	6.7%	0.9%	8.8%	1.1%	10.5%
Comm	nercial	0.4%	3.9%	0.8%	7.6%	1.2%	10.9%
Indu	ustrial	0.7%	6.5%	0.9%	8.3%	1.0%	9.8%
Gene	ration	1.9%	18.6%	3.3%	34.0%	5.0%	55.3%

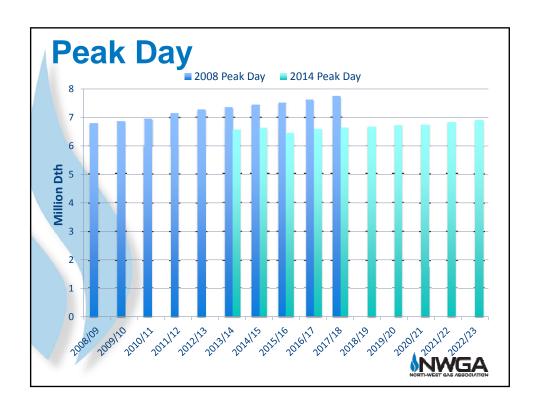


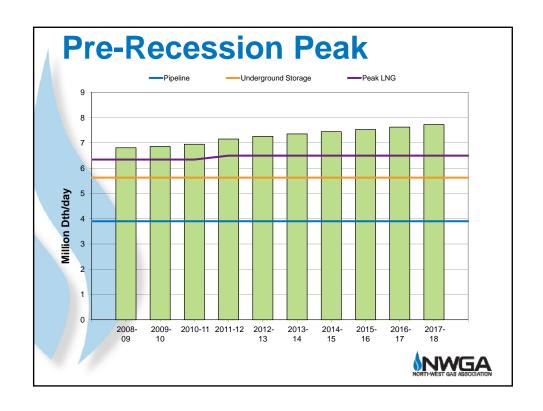


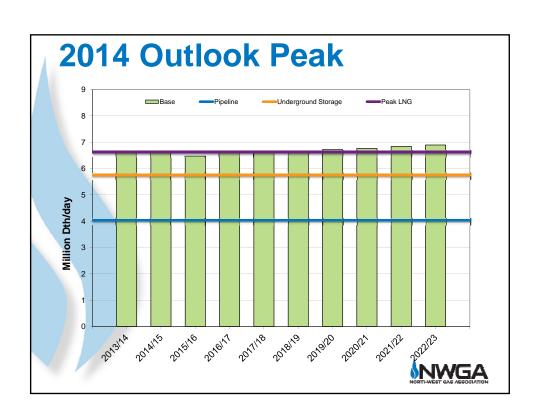


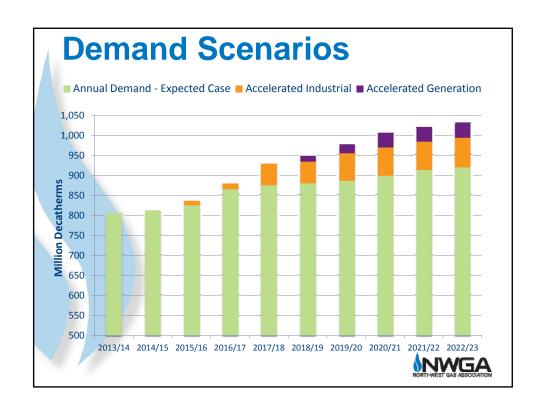


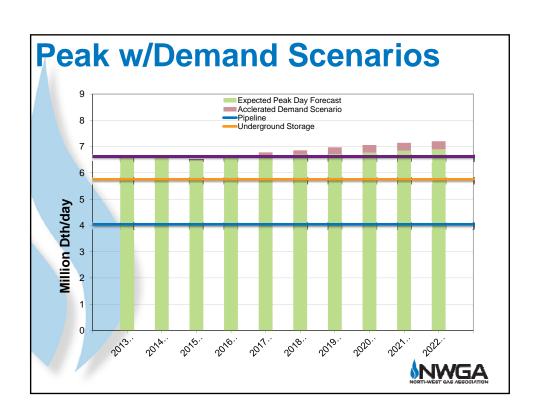


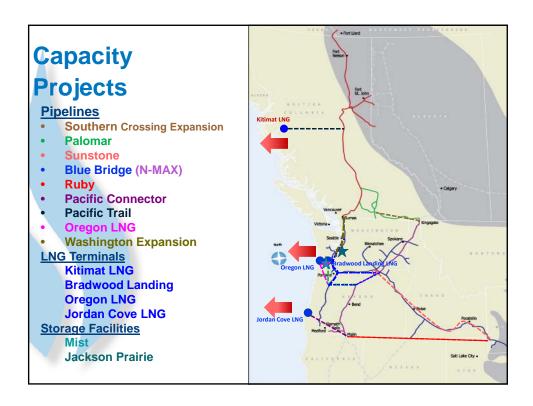












Company	IRP File Date	Jurisdiction	Year of Peak Day Deficiency	Preferred Supply Resource(s) Selected
Avista	August 31, 2012	Washington/Idaho	2029	Vintage GTN Capacity
	August 31, 2012	Oregon	2028	Vintage GTN Capacity Medford Lateral Expansion
Cascade	December 14, 2012	Washington	2024	NWP capacity Satellite LNG City gate purchases
	May 25, 2012	Oregon	Currently deficient	Ruby capacity with GTN Backhau
Puget Sound Energy	May 30, 2013	Washington	2017	SWARR upgrade PSE LNG Mist/NWP Expansion
FortisBC	July 15, 2010	British Columbia	No deficiency in planning horizon	N/A
Northwest Natural	March 22, 2013	Washington	2014	Mist recall Cross Cascade Pipeline (2018)
	January 12, 2011 - Original September 1, 2011 - Modified	Oregon	Currently deficient	Mist recall
Intermountain	February 2013	Idaho	No deficiency in planning horizon	N/A

