

US NGL Market Update

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Outline of presentation

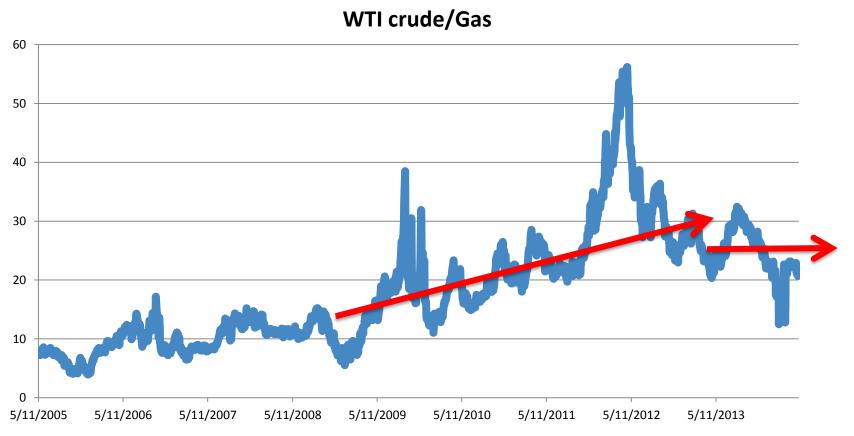


- Why is the US producing so much petrochemical feedstock?
- Where is the US producing the NGLs?
- Where the NGLs are going?
- How have prices reacted recently?
- What is the longer term supply/demand balance for US NGLs?

NGL growth driven by high crude/gas ratio

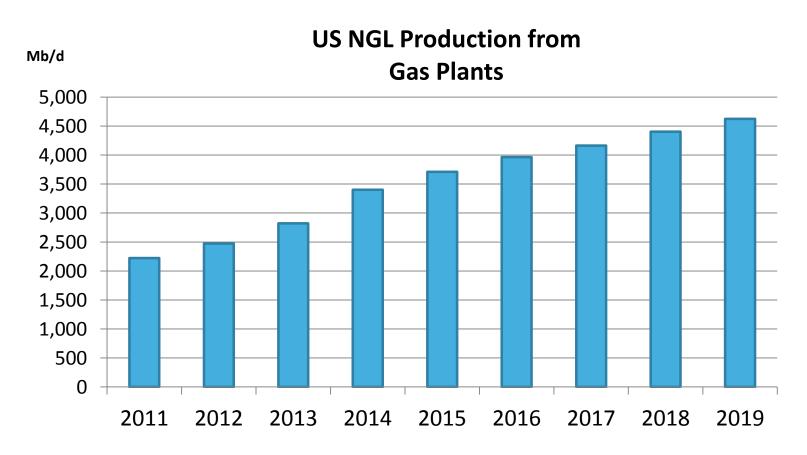


- This relationship is core to the US NGL boom and the subsequent build out in North American petrochemical infrastructure
- Seen as one proxy for drilling activity in liquid rich shale plays



US NGL production on steady upswing



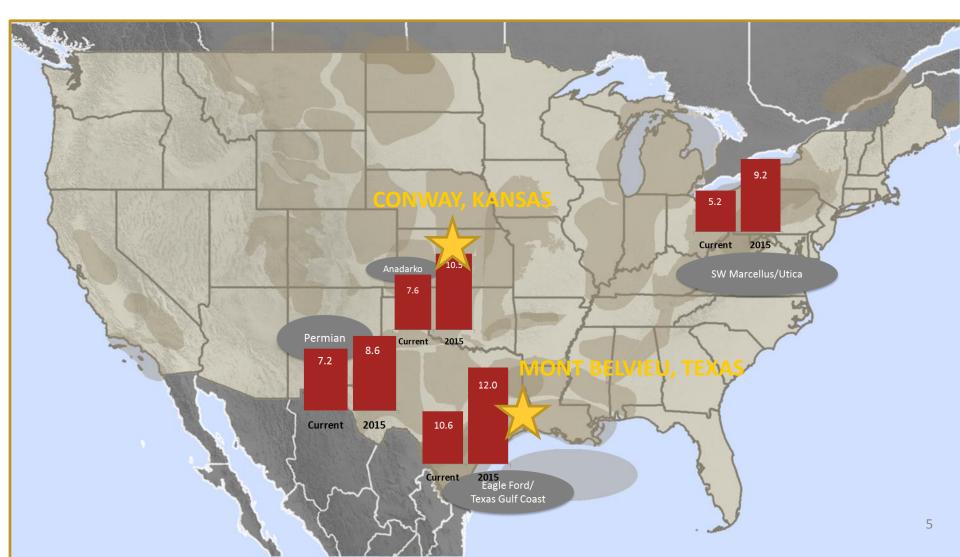


 The growth in NGL production has mirrored a high crudeto-gas ratio

Growth concentrated in four major areas



• Nearly all incremental NGL pipeline infrastructure is pointed to the Gulf Coast with some North East capacity heading for the Atlantic Ocean and Canada.



Ethane supply/demand balance

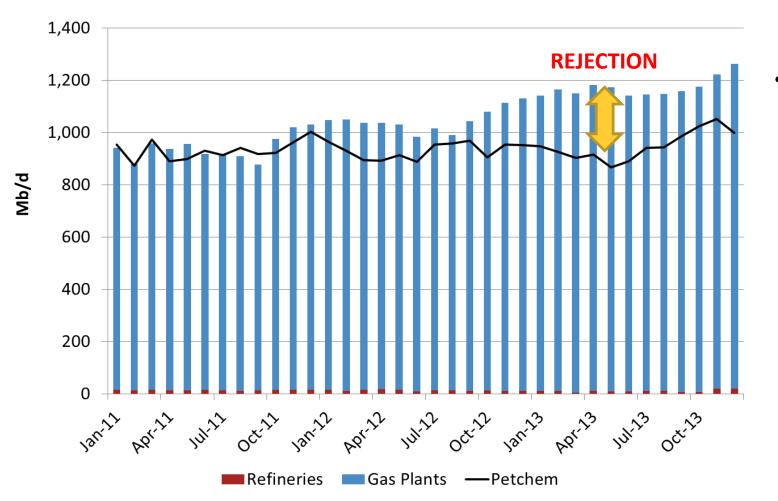
Rejection continues, exports on the horizon.



Ethane continues to be oversupplied



Ethane Supply vs. Petchem Demand



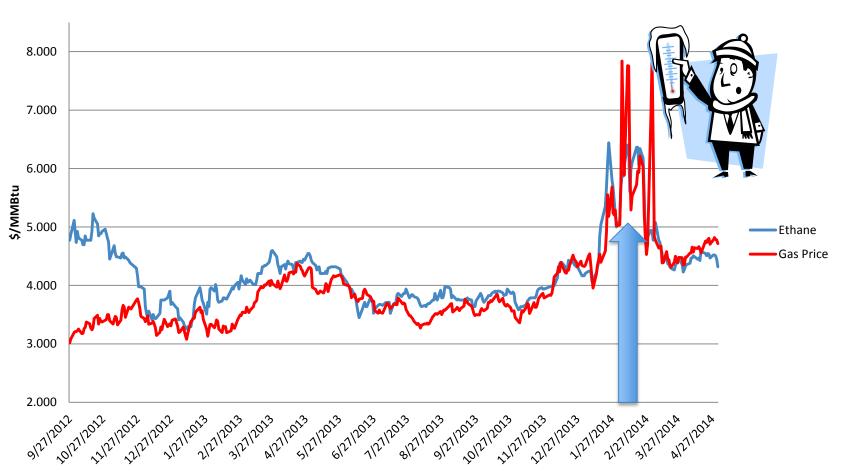
"Rejection"
is leaving
ethane in
the natural
gas stream
instead of
purifying it
out for
individual
sale.

Rejection occurs when downstream demand is inadequate



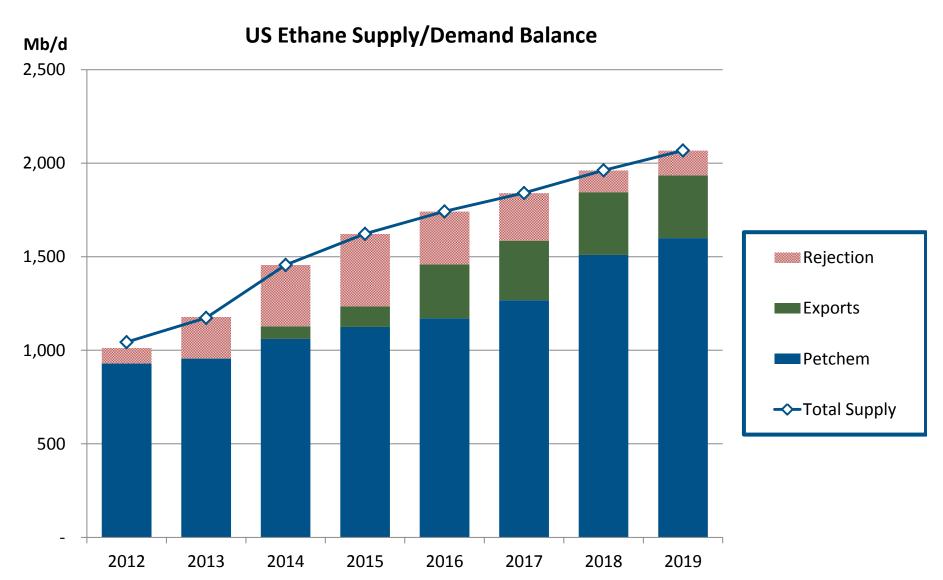
Ethane prices: gas floor with no place to go

Ethane's BTU value



Rejection continues to ramp up, then falls





Ethane summary



Ethane at mercy of gas prices

 Recently cold winter spiked gas prices and ethane followed suit

 In longer term (2018-2020) the export market and petrochemical demand offer upward support and disconnect from gas.

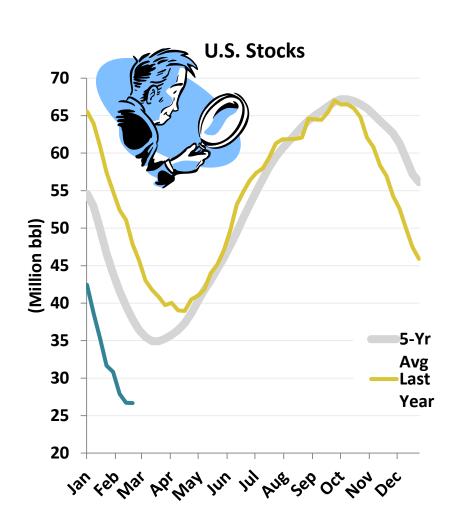
LPG Market: exports, exports, exports

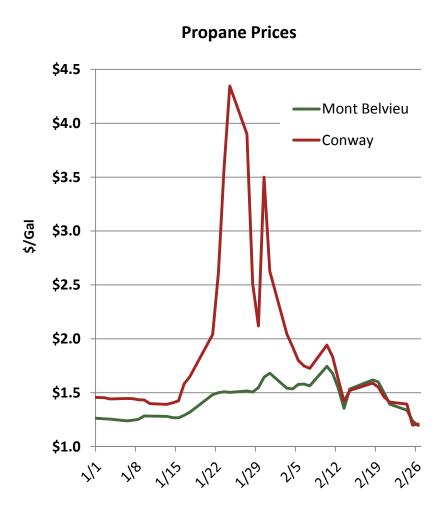
Exports tighten domestic market, move prices closer to Intl' markets



Propane stocks fall on multiple factors, prices spike

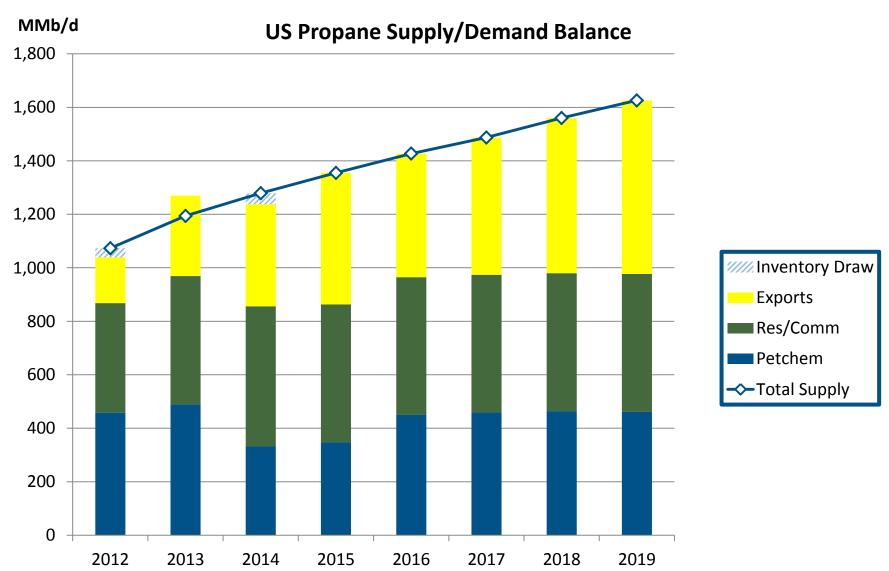






Propane s/d balance, exports growing





Asia emerges to take additional volumes



Company	Project Name	State	LPG Export Capacity (Mb/d)	In-Service Date
Existing LPG Export Terminals			400	
Enterprise	Enterprise	TX	130	NA
Enterprise	Enterprise Expansion I	TX	120	2013
Targa	Galena Park	TX	50	NA
Targa	Galena Park Expansion Phase I	TX	83	2013
Sunoco Logistics	Marcus Hook	PA	17	NA
Brownfield Expansions			490	
Enterprise	Enterprise Expansion II	TX	50	2015
Enterprise	Enterprise Expansion III	TX	233	2015
Targa	Galena Park Expansion Phase II	TX	67	2014
Sunoco Logistics	Marcus Hook Expansion I	PA	70	2014
Sunoco Logistics	Marcus Hook Expansion II	PA	70	2015
Greenfield New Builds			517	
Occidental Chemical	Оху	TX	150	2015
Mariner South	Mariner South	TX	200	2015
Crosstex Energy LP	Crosstex	LA	NA	2015
Repurpose			147	
Phillips 66	Freeport LPG	TX	147	2016

International propane prices starting convergence





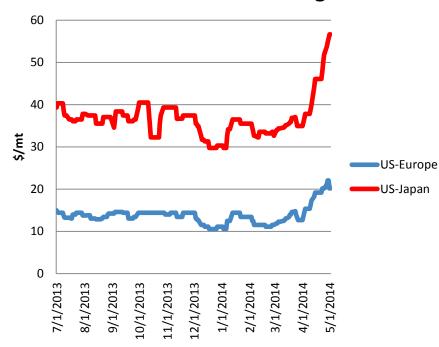
Europe

Asia

Int'I propane prices

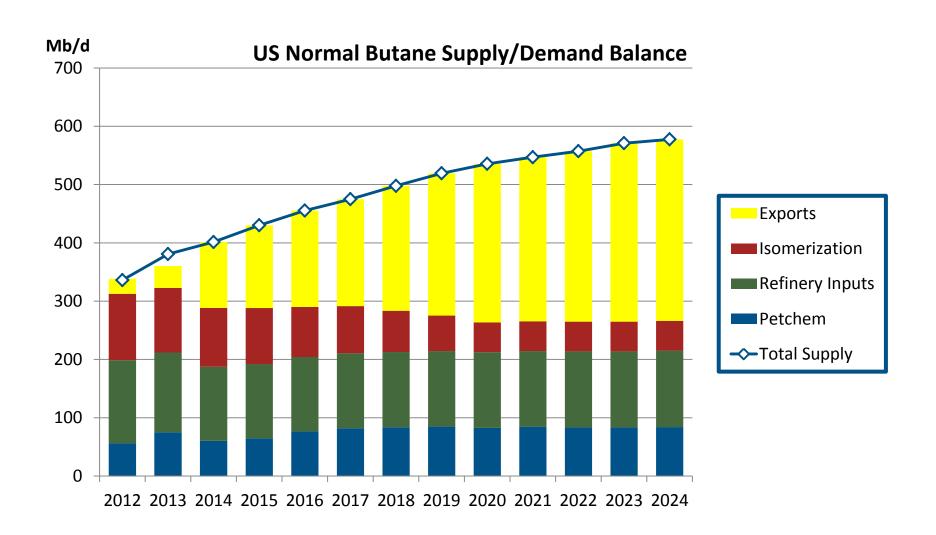
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US Gulf Coast LPG freight



Butane supply/demand balance

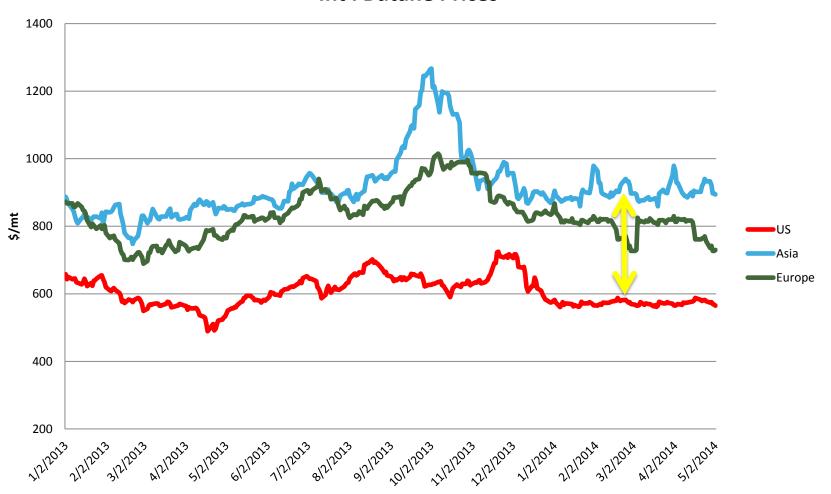




Butane price differentials remain wide







Conclusions



- US NGL production continues to grow on favorable drilling economics
- Weather will always create short-term challenges/opportunities that models cannot predict
- Exports will be the key factor to balance the market. Prices remain depressed otherwise.
- Meaningful demand will materialize in the 2015-2018 time frame
 - New steam crackers
 - LPG export facilities
 - PDH units
- Market Risks
 - Timing and completion of large, capital and labor-intensive projects
 - The ability of the global market to absorb incremental NGLs
 - Maintaining a wide crude-to-gas ratio



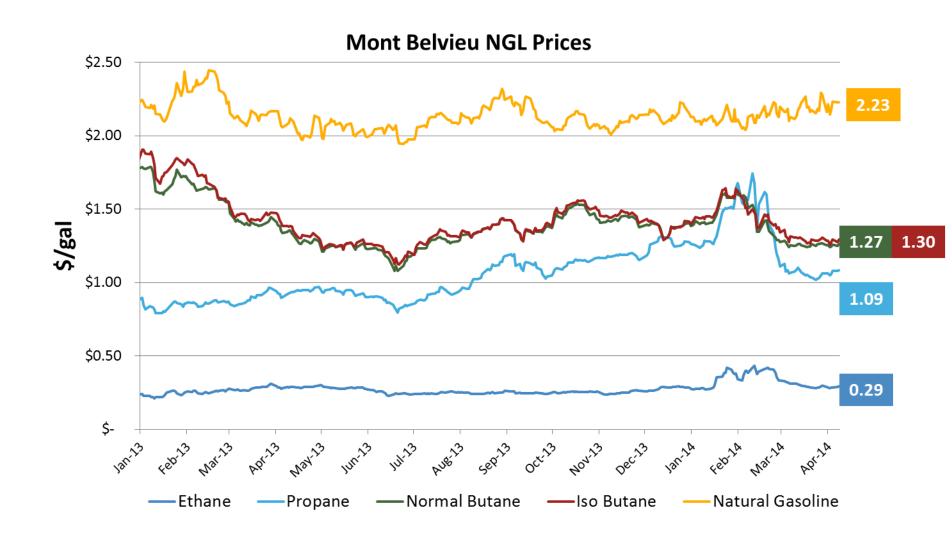
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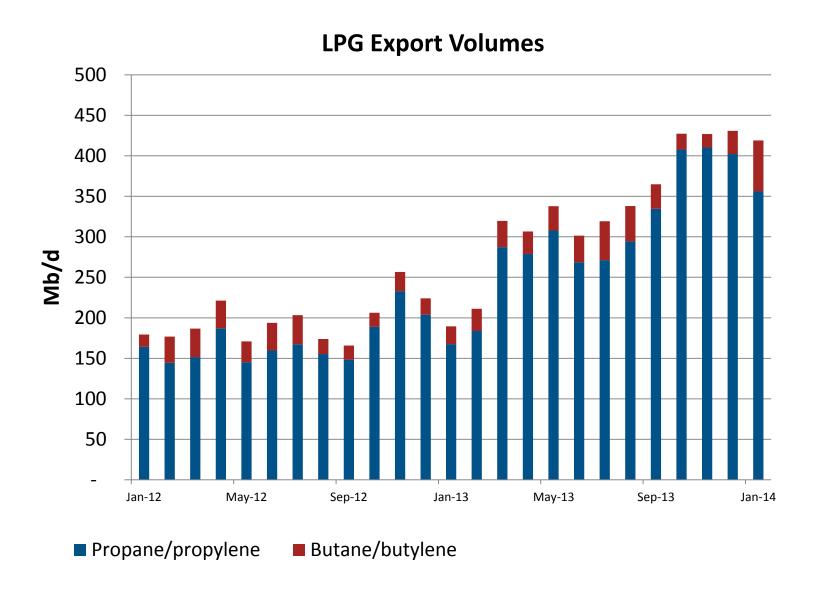
US NGL prices past 18-months: recent volatility





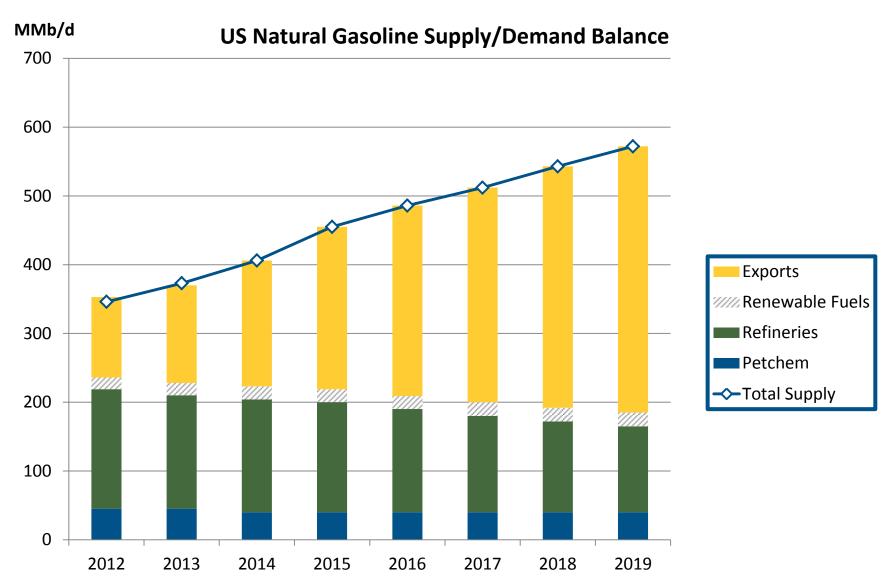
Exports should be predictable, weather isn't





Natural gasoline s/d





Latin America is major LPG destination



Percent of US LPG export to Brazil/Mexico

