

Shale Gas in North America

Emerging Supply Opportunities

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Shale gas: What's All the Buzz About?

200 tonne frac in NE British Columbia

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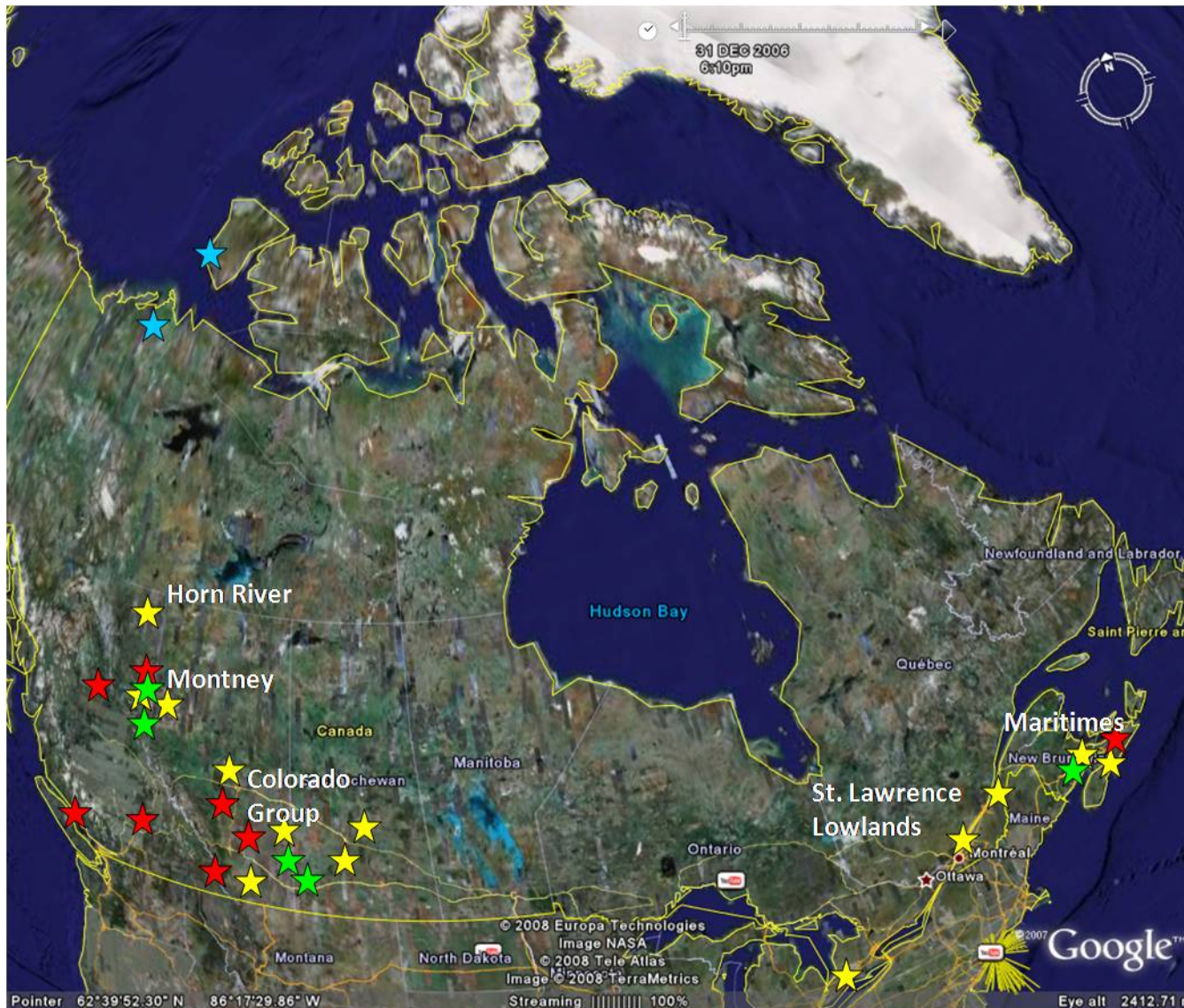


What is shale gas?

- Shale gas is natural gas within predominantly fine grained, organic rich rocks
- Both the source of the natural gas as well as the host reservoir in the subsurface
- Reservoirs are tight (low permeability) and require special drilling and completion technologies
- Laterally pervasive, but highly variable in terms of reservoir properties

Understanding the rock properties is the first critical step in reservoir evaluation and ultimately development of the resources

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Areas of Unconventional Gas Exploration and Development in Canada

- ★ Tight Gas Sands and Carbonates
- ★ Natural Gas from Coal
- ★ Shale Gas
- ★ Gas Hydrates

What's All the Buzz About? The Size of the Prize

British Columbia

- Horn River Basin > 500 TCF OGIP
- Cordova Embayment > 200 TCF OGIP
- Montney Formation up to 250 TCF OGIP
- Doig Phosphate up to 164 TCF OGIP
- Nordegg Formation 1-24 Bcf/section
- Exshaw Formation 25 – 180 Bcf/section

From BCMEMPR

Total > 1000 Tcf OGIP

Alberta and Saskatchewan

- Colorado Group > 300 TCF OGIP

Southern Ontario

- Michigan Basin > 225 Bcf OGIP

Quebec Lowlands

- Utica and Marcellus Shale 2-15 TCF OGIP

Maritimes

- Windsor Basin (Nova Scotia) 89 – 109 Bcf/section

Total US shale gas opportunity believed to be similar in scale

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Shale Gas in the Horn River Basin and Cordova Embayment

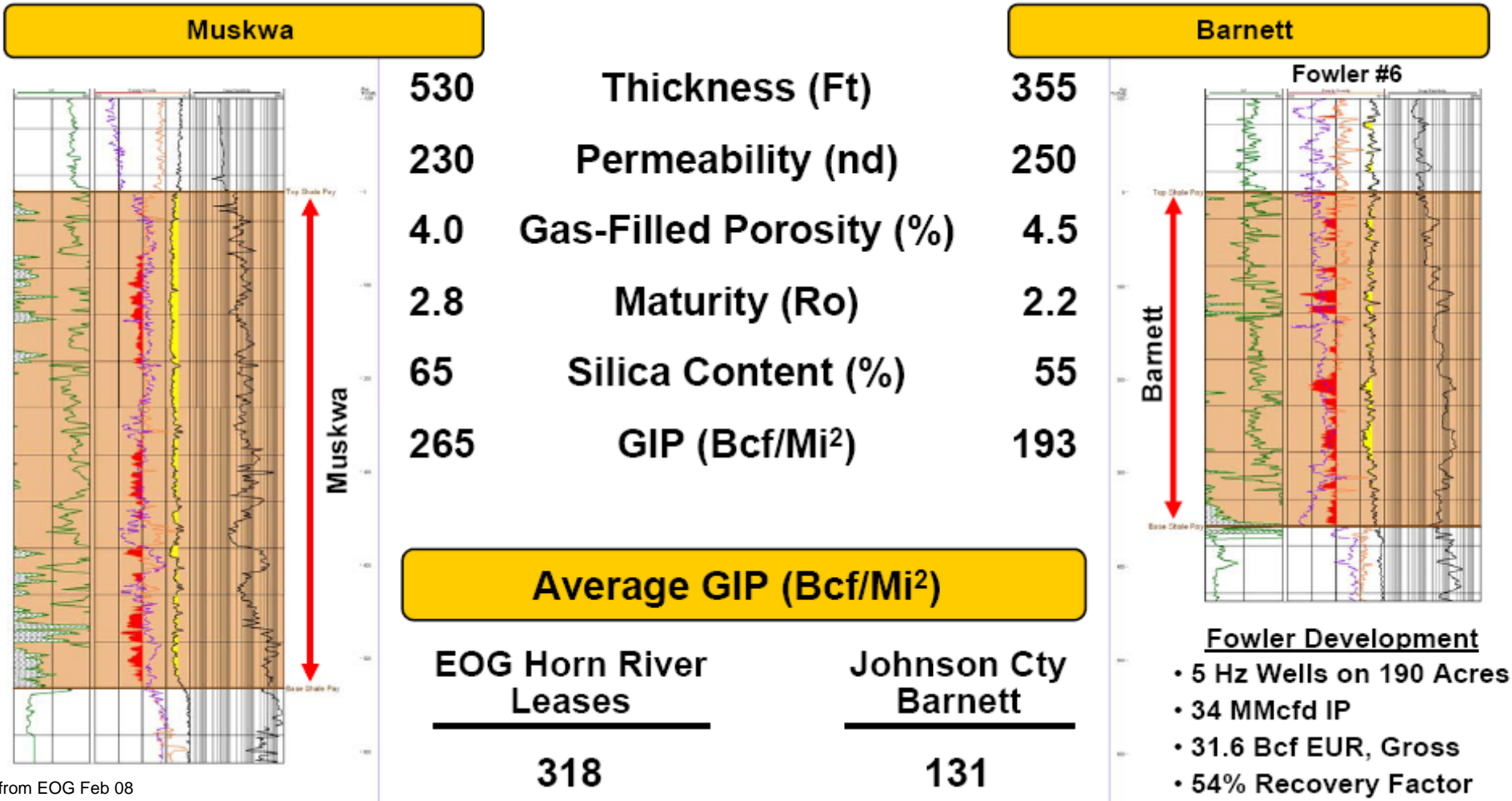
- Hottest new shale play in North America
- EOG reports OGIP number up to 318 Bcf/section
- Deep horizontals with large fracture stimulations leads to high well costs (currently)
- Initial wells tested by EOG show IP's > 5 mmcf/d
- Infrastructure in core area of current play is a concern

Key Industry Players:

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| ➤ Encana | } 350,000 gross acres | ➤ Exxon Mobil/Imperial Oil |
| ➤ Apache | | ➤ Devon |
| ➤ Nexen | 123,000 net acres | ➤ Quicksilver |
| ➤ EOG | 140,000 net acres | ➤ Stone Mountain |

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Comparison between EOG's Muskwa Discovery and Barnett Shale Gas

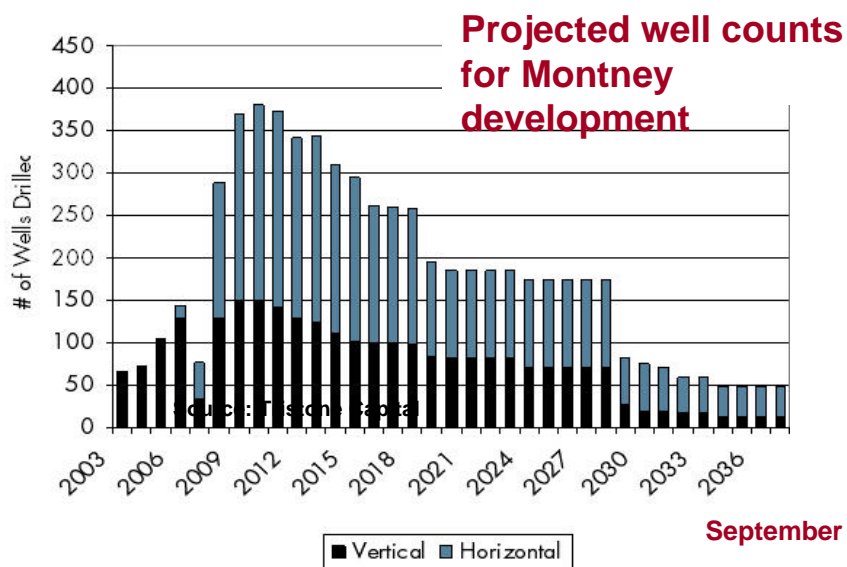
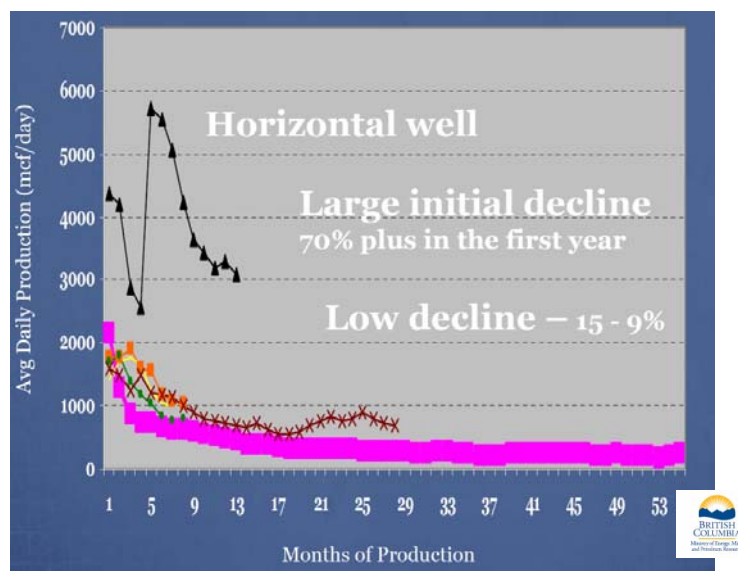


from EOG Feb 08

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Montney and Doig Play in NE B.C.

- Total thickness ranges from 50 – 200 m (thickens to the west)
 - Upper Montney 35-250 Tcf OGIP resource(8-60 Bcf/section)
 - Doig 27-164 Tcf OGIP resource (5-30 Bcf/section)
- High decline rates with stabilized long term production
- Dramatic increase in initial production and long term stabilized rate through application of horizontal drilling
- Current production ~200 MMcf/d of tight gas sands and shale
- Numerous players including Encana, ARC Resources, Murphy, Shell

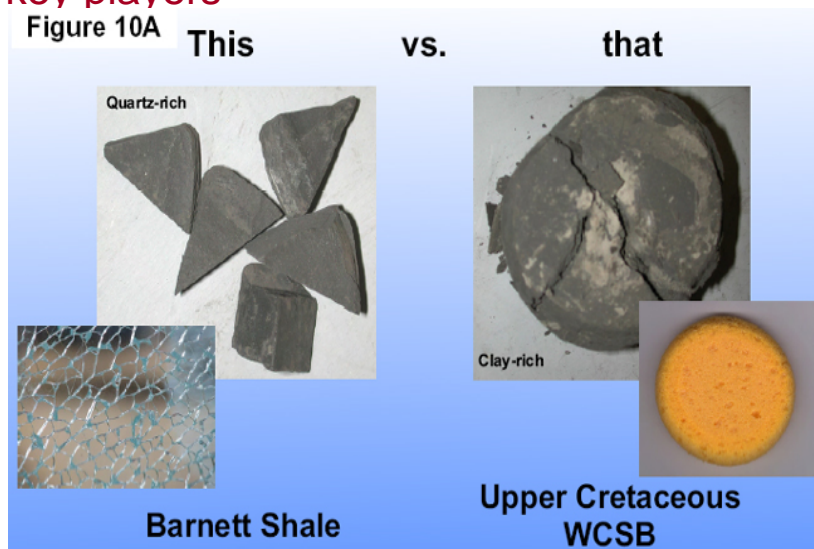


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Shale Gas in the Plains Region

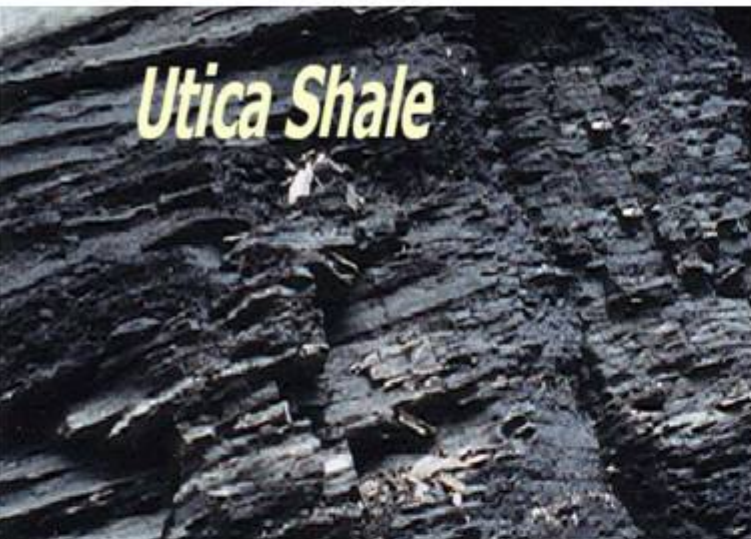
- Colorado Group contains numerous shallow “hybrid” shale gas zones
 - Very different from Horn River, Barnett, etc.
 - Some have been exploited for years (First and Second White Specks/Base Fish Scales)
- Two major keys to economic success
 - Multiple zones - commingled gas production
 - Low cost drilling and operation costs
- Picking prospective geographical areas and vertical sections critical to success
- Average wells produce < 150 mcf/d, costs often < \$250 k to drill/complete/stimulate
- Stealth, Panterra key players



From Ross and Bustin, 2007

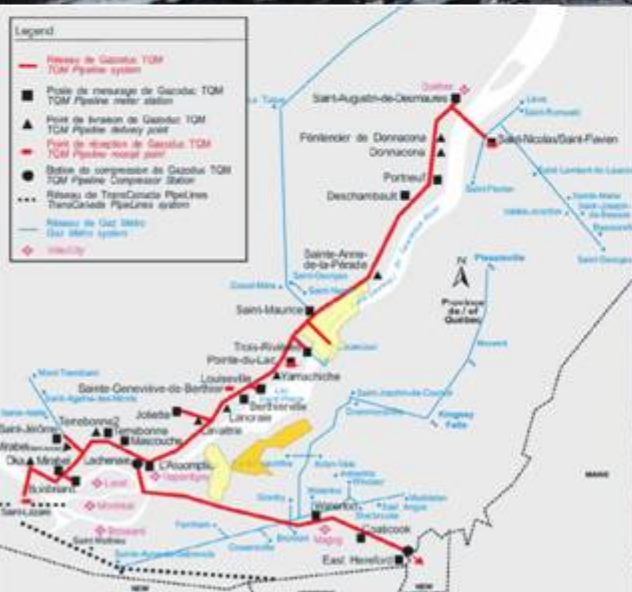
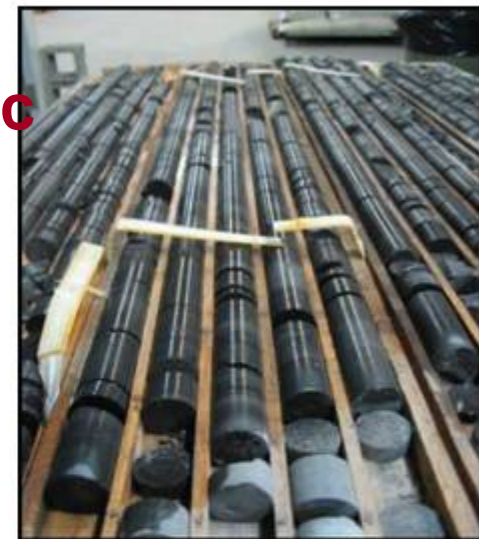
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Shale Gas in Quebec

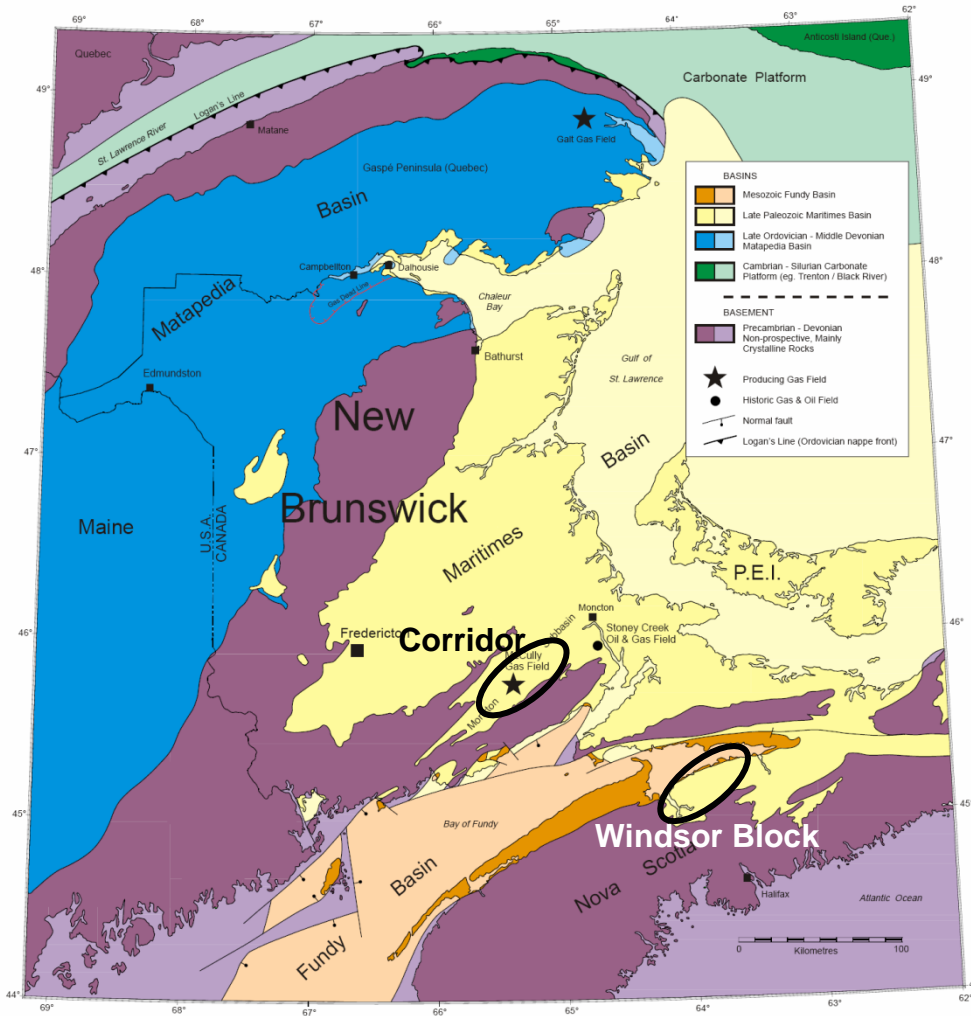
- Multi-unit potential – Utica, Lorraine, Marcellus
- Rates tested up to 1,000 mmcf/d
- Talisman, Forest and several juniors



	Utica	Barnett
Depth (ft)	2,300 – 6,000	4,500 – 9,000
Thickness (ft)	500	150 – 700
Clay Content (%)	15 – 26	15 – 30
TOC (%)	1.0 – 3.1	3.5 – 5.0
Gas-Filled Porosity (%)	3.2 – 3.7	3.0 – 4.8
Pressure Gradient (psi/ft)	.45 – .60	.46 – .50
Maturity (Ro)	1.3 – 2.0	1.0 - 2.2
Gas Price (\$)	NYMEX + 1.05	NYMEX - 0.53

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Shale Gas in the Maritimes



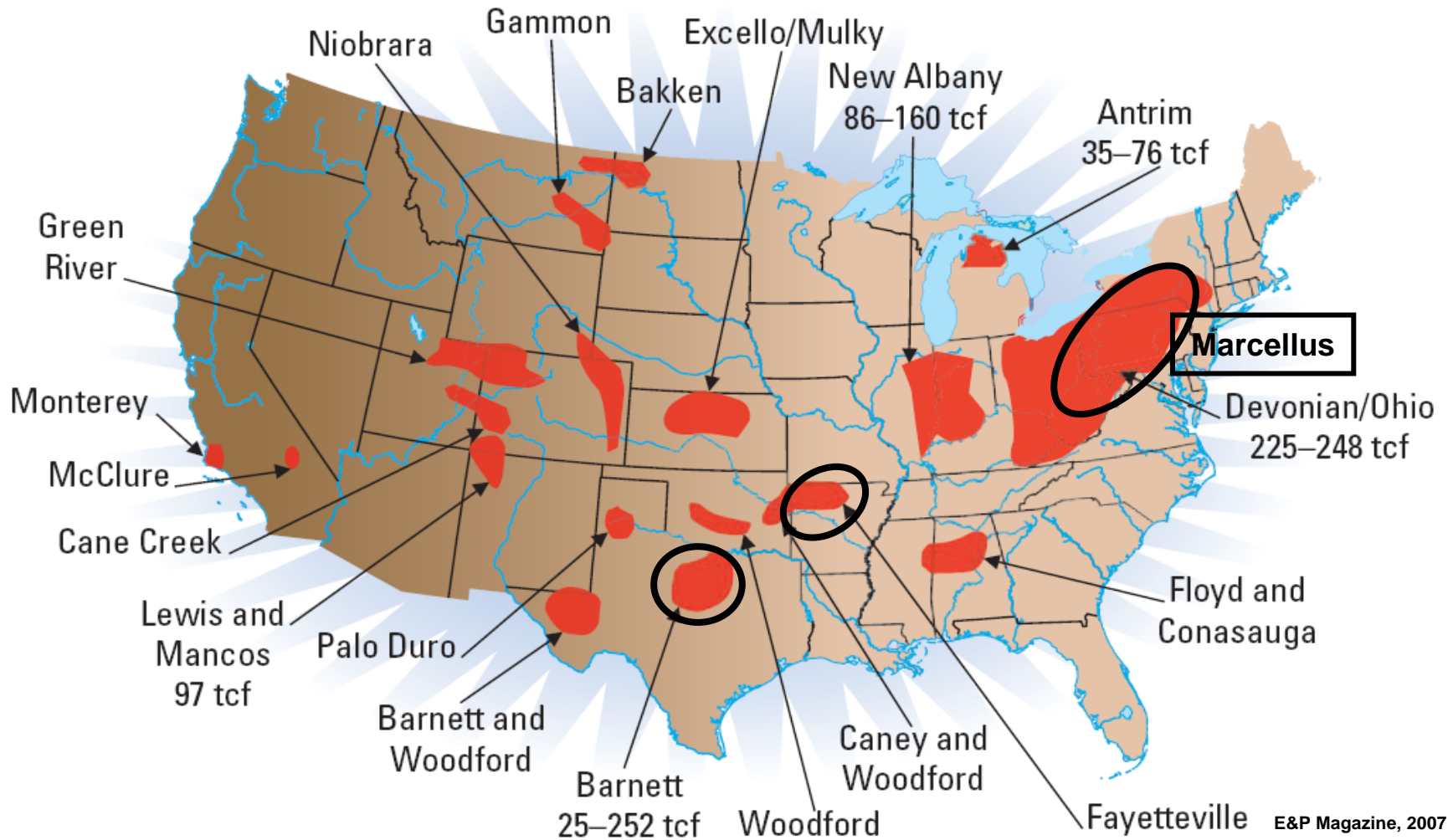
- New play recently tested by Triangle Petroleum in Nova Scotia (Windsor Block)
 - Kennetcook well analysis indicates up to 109 Bcf/section OGIP
 - 516,000 gross acre Windsor block
 - Targeting Horton Bluff Formation
- Corridor Resources currently drilling deep Elgin Formation shale well in New Brunswick



A flare during a testing at the Kennetcook #2 well in Nova Scotia signals success for Triangle's shale gas project on the east coast.

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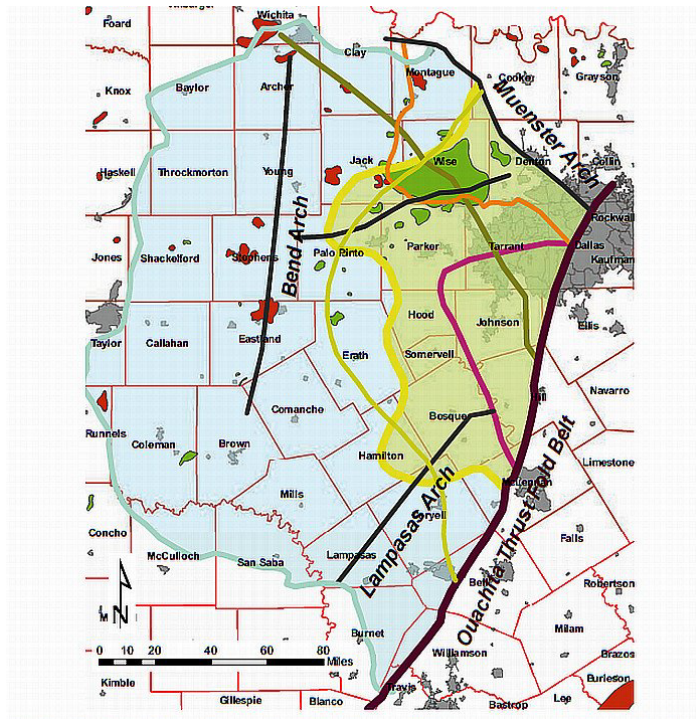
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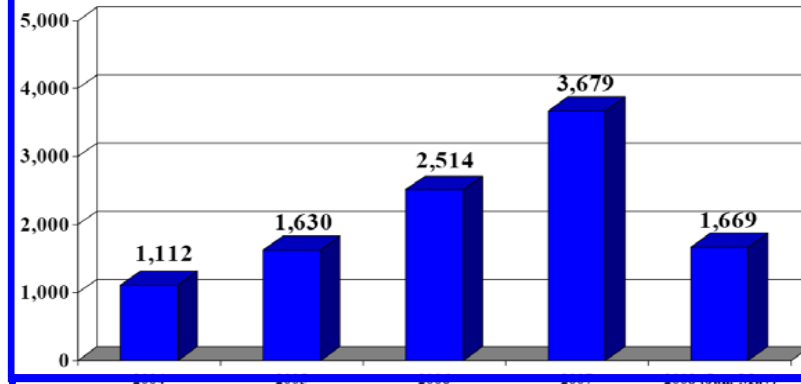
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Barnett Shale – East Texas

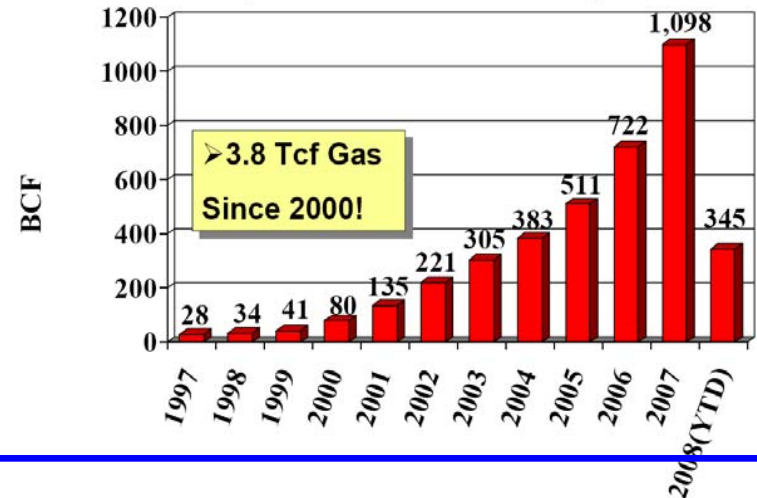
- Production exceeds 3.7 Bcf/d and projected to increase to between 6.5 and 9.7 Bcf/d by 2014
- Currently over 7500 wells drilled with an additional 4500 permitted



Drilling Permits Issued (2004-2008 YTD)

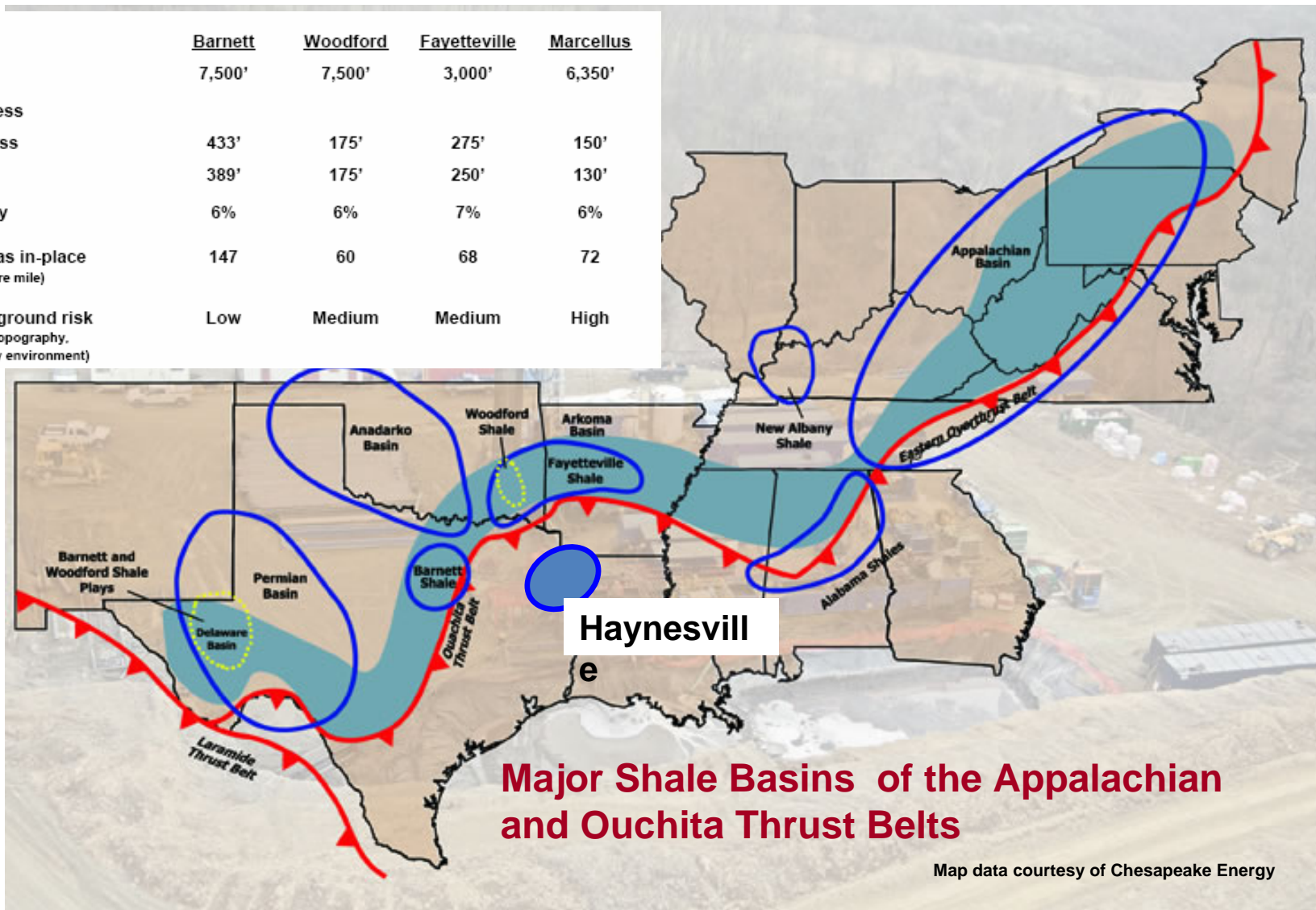


Barnett Shale Natural Gas Production (1997- March 2008)



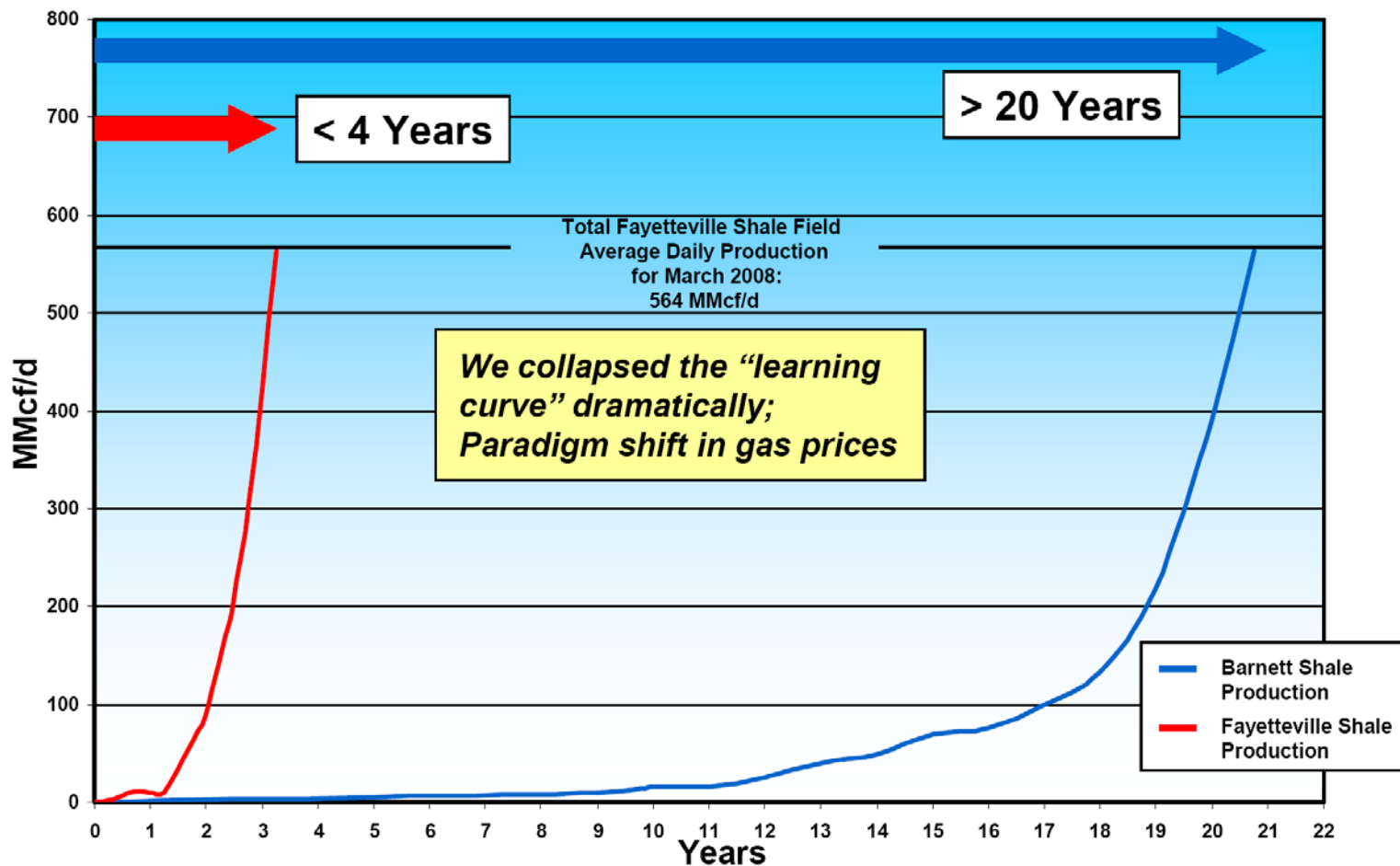
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	<u>Barnett</u>	<u>Woodford</u>	<u>Fayetteville</u>	<u>Marcellus</u>
Depth	7,500'	7,500'	3,000'	6,350'
Thickness				
Gross	433'	175'	275'	150'
Net	389'	175'	250'	130'
Porosity	6%	6%	7%	6%
Total gas in-place (Bcf/square mile)	147	60	68	72
Above ground risk (market, topography, regulatory environment)	Low	Medium	Medium	High



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Fayetteville Shale Play

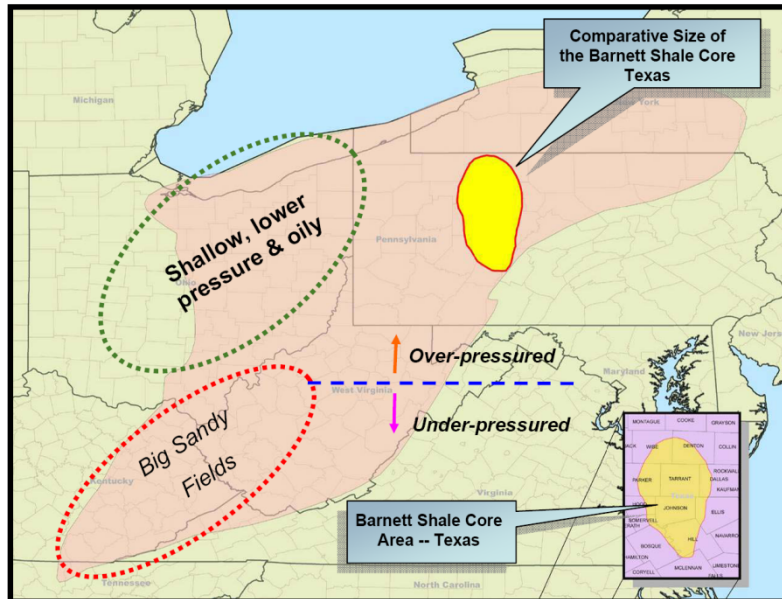


Source: Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc., Arkansas Oil & Gas Commission

From: Southwest Energy Sept 2008

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Marcellus Shale Play



- About 63 million acres, vs Barnett at 2.7 million acres
- Big Sandy area producing since 1920's (3 Tcf to date) from the Huron Shale
- Over-pressured Marcellus now being developed
- Presence of natural fractures will be key to regions of economic production



- Marcellus shale conservatively estimated to contain from 168 -516 Tcf GIP*
- Early results from some horizontal wells show IP > 3 mmcf/d
- Basin located in favorable gas market - \$0.20 to \$0.50 per mcf premium

* From Engelder and Lash, 2007

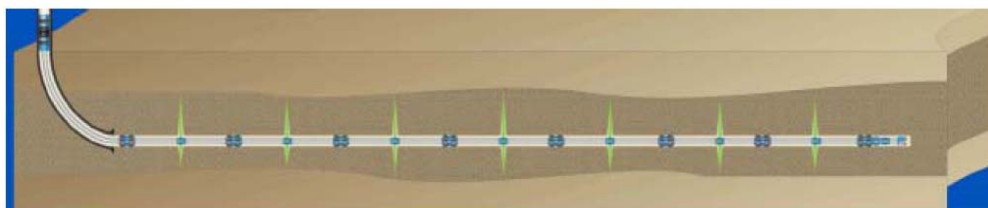
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Keys to Success

- Technology
 - Drilling and logging
 - Multiple well orientations from single surface wellpads
- Well spacing and orientation: Downspacing
 - Improves ultimate recovery
 - Sustains production levels – slows field declines
- Application of Multi-Stage Fracing Critical to Unlocking Resource Potential

Each additional frac increases initial well productivity by 0.5 to 1.5 mmcf/d

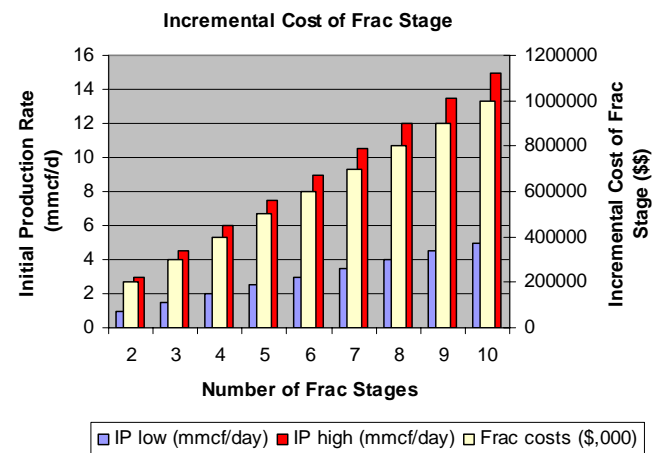
Each additional frac potentially increases recoverable reserves by 0.5 to 1.5 Bcf



Source: Packers Plus Energy Services Inc.

from Halliburton

Comparison of Frac Stages to Initial Well Productivity



courtesy Halliburton

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Challenges the Industry Faces

- Front end capital
 - Assembling a land position
 - “Experimentation”
 - Infrastructure
- High decline rate
- Footprint
 - Water use and disposal
 - Habitat fragmentation
 - Traffic and general intrusion



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Summary

- Shale gas potential in North America is huge
 - Greater than 1000 Tcf in Canada
 - Possibility of equivalent in United States
- Recent success in numerous basins across continent
- Each basin is unique, but a common theme is high OGIP with potential for significant recoverable reserves
- Success comes with a price: land acquisition costs, “experimental” high cost early stages of evaluation, infrastructure deficits
- Significant capital requirements by all players to move shale plays forward
- Potential to sustain continental gas supply and meet the growth in demand, but lead times can be long

Thank you for your Attention

Questions???