National Petroleum Council

# **Facing The Hard Truths About Energy**

A Comprehensive View To 2030 Of Global Oil And Natural Gas

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### The Secretary's Suggested Questions

- What does the future hold for global oil and natural gas supply ?
- Can incremental oil and gas supplies be brought on-line, on time, and at a reasonable price to meet future demand without jeopardizing economic growth ?
- What oil and gas supply and / or demand-side strategies does the Council recommend the U.S. pursue to ensure greater economic stability and prosperity ?

Global Oil and Gas Study

#### **Dimensions of the Study**



#### How This Study Is Different

Integrated, In-Depth Analysis

- Over 100 studies incorporated to include both public and aggregated proprietary outlooks
- Not another forecast of supply, demand or price

Diversity of Expertise  350 participants with backgrounds in all aspects of energy including efficiency, economics, geopolitics, environment

Technology Assessment

- Identified achievable opportunities and likely deployment timing
- Looked across the energy spectrum, including both supply and demand



## How This Study is Different

65% participants from outside of oil and gas industry



350 + participants, plus input from 1000 + others Over 920,000 report downloads



What We Learned: The Hard Truths



### What We Learned

- Global demand growth projected at 50-60%
  Improving living standards for a growing global population
  Coal, oil, and natural gas will remain indispensable to meeting total projected energy demand growth
- The world is not running out of energy resources, but
  - Risks are accumulating to continuing expansion of oil and natural gas production from conventional resources
  - Risks create significant challenges to meeting projected total energy demand



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#### What We Learned (continued)

 Risk mitigation will require expanding all economic energy sources, including:

Demand growth moderation through energy efficiency

 Biofuels, other renewables, nuclear, coal, and unconventional oil and natural gas

 Each energy source will face significant challenges including:

 Safety, environmental, technical, political, and impose infrastructure requirements or economic hurdles Global Oil and Gas Study

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#### What We Learned (continued)

 "Energy Independence" is not realistic in the foreseeable future, however, U.S. energy security can be enhanced by:

Moderating demand growth

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- Expanding and diversifying domestic energy supplies
- Strengthening global trade and investment
- Majority of U.S. energy workforce is eligible to retire within the next decade
  - ✓ Workforce needs to be replenished and trained
- Policies aimed at curbing carbon emissions will alter the energy mix, increase energy-related costs, and require reduction in demand growth



#### **OECD and Non-OECD Countries**



#### **Economic Growth Patterns Are Shifting**



### ... And Energy Demand Growth Follows



## Range of Projections Point to Growing Demand



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## Coal, Oil, and Natural Gas Will Remain Indispensable



## Large Oil Resource Base



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### **Risks Reflected in Range of Production Projections**



\* Source NPC Data Warehouse

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## All Sources of Energy Will Be Needed



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#### **Oil Resource Concentration**



#### **Global Oil Trade**



#### Global LNG Trade



# Supply Vulnerability Zones



#### U.S. Human Resources Challenge



Source: U.S. Dept of Labor

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# **CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Limits Will Alter Energy Strategies**

Growing concern that climate is warming and  $CO_2$  concentrations in the atmosphere play a role.

The challenge of significantly reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is unprecedented and will require:

- Global, broad actions on multiple fronts
- Long time horizons
- Major additional investments

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### 60% of Emissions Growth in Developing World



### **Carbon Mitigation**

Continued use of fossil fuel in a carbon constrained world will require:

- Moderating demand by improving energy efficiency
- Developing low / no-carbon energy sources
- Implementing large scale carbon capture and sequestration

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## The Five Core U.S. Strategies

- Moderate Demand by Increasing Energy Efficiency
- Expand and Diversify U.S. Energy Supply
- Strengthen Global and U.S. Energy Security
- Reinforce Capabilities to Meet New Challenges
- Address Carbon Constraints

# There Is No Single, Easy Solution



### **All Strategies Are Essential**



### There Is No Single, Easy Solution

All five strategies must be addressed together

Global cooperation required

Begin now and plan for sustained commitment



"Facing the Hard Truths About Energy"

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