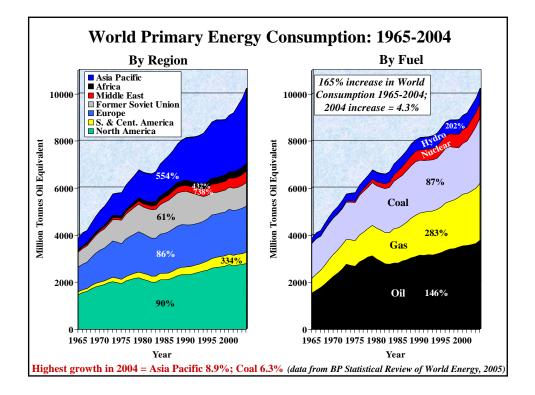
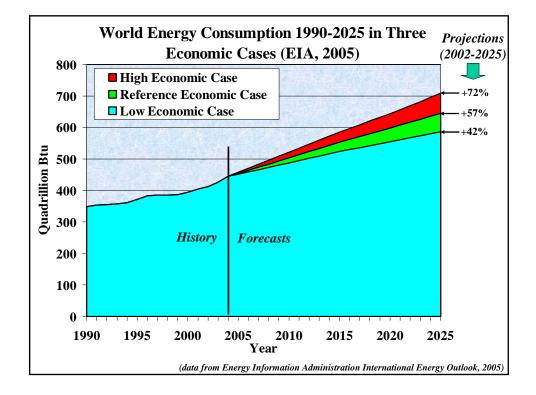
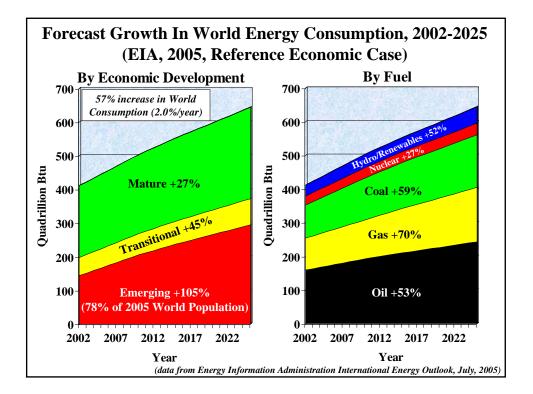
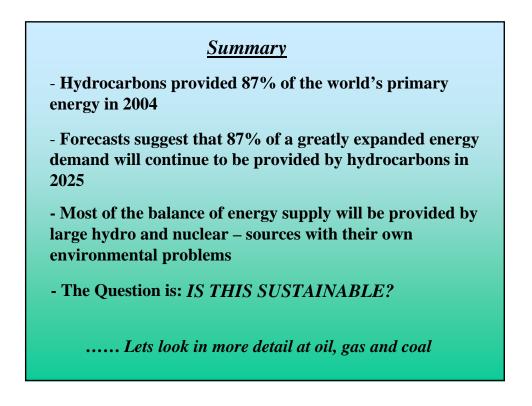


Points to be covered:
- Patterns of Energy Consumption and Production:
- <u>History</u> - what actually happened "Hindsight"
- <u>Forecasts</u> - always arguable and debatable:
-"economists vs. geologists"
-"geologists vs. geologists"
-"optimists vs. pessimists"
- Magnitude and Distribution of Remaining Energy
Reserves and Resources:
- Implications for security of energy supply
- Where does Canada Stand in All This?
- Some thoughts on the way forward: Challenges and Changes for a Sustainable Energy Future









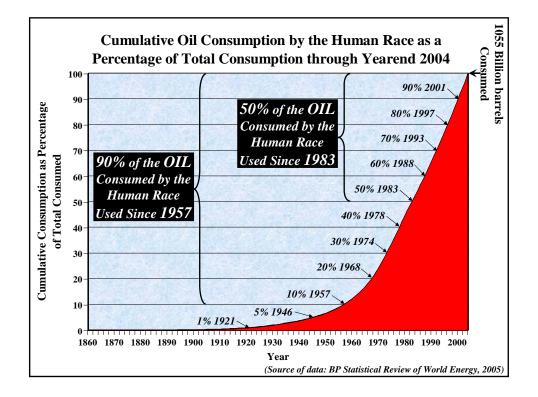
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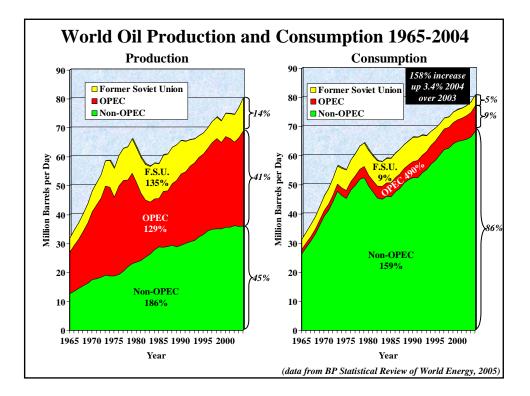
- The largest source of energy in the world (36.8% of primary energy consumption in 2004)

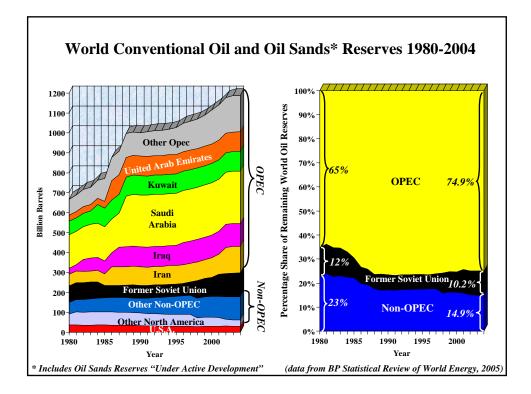
- The ultimate fuel for international trade – *easily moved* by tanker and pipeline

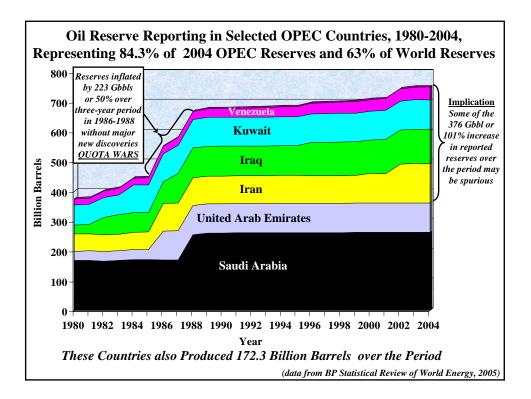
- Highly subject to Geopolitics – the OPEC cartel has three quarters of remaining reserves and the only remaining spare production capacity – terrorism or natural disasters like Hurricanes Katrina and Rita can cause extreme price volatility

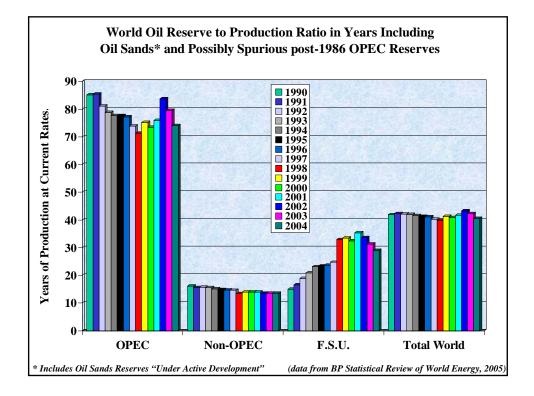
- Alternatives to oil have seen similar price spikes over the past several years (*natural gas, coal and uranium*)

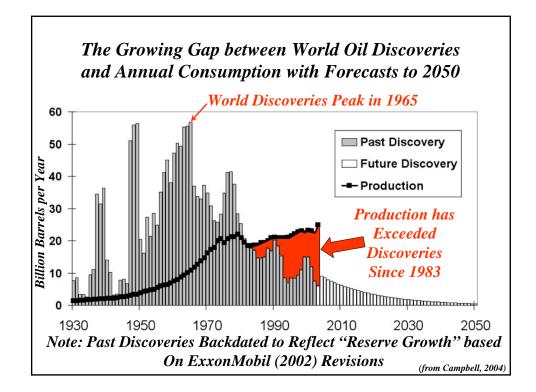




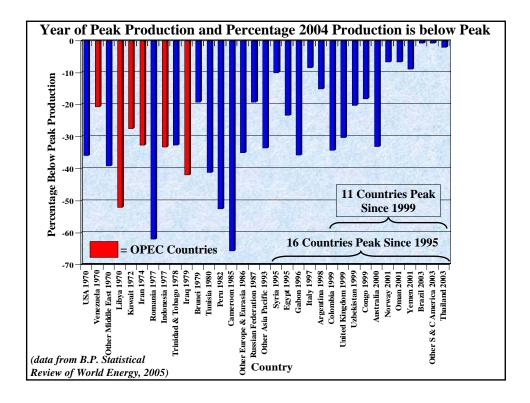


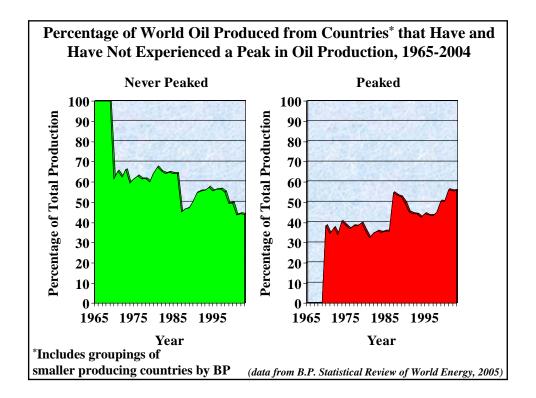


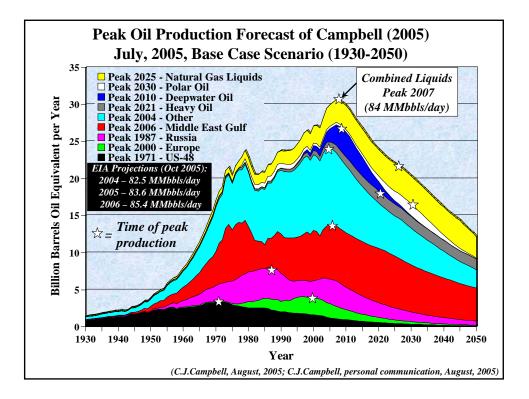


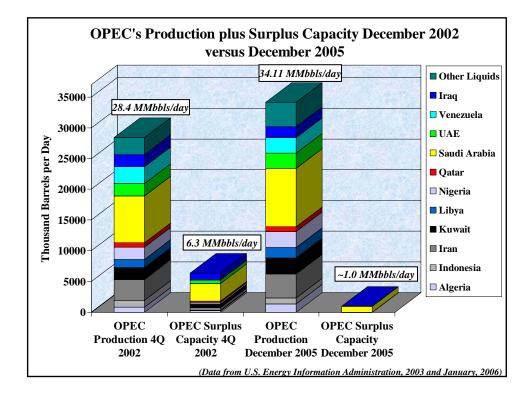


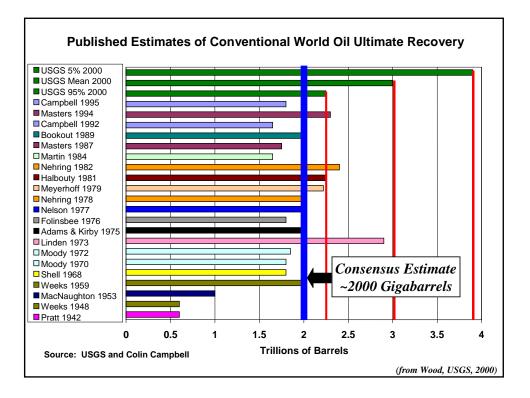
World Oil Production Peak
WHEN? - Debatable, because of the variables, BUT IT IS HIGHLY LIKELY TO HAPPEN DEPENDS ON:
 <u>ULTIMATE RECOVERABLE RESERVES</u> - a function of: <u>Mother Nature's Endowment</u> (total discovered and undiscovered resources) <u>Technology and Price</u> (determines economics) <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) - <u>Infrastructure</u> for production - <u>Depletion rates</u> of producing pools

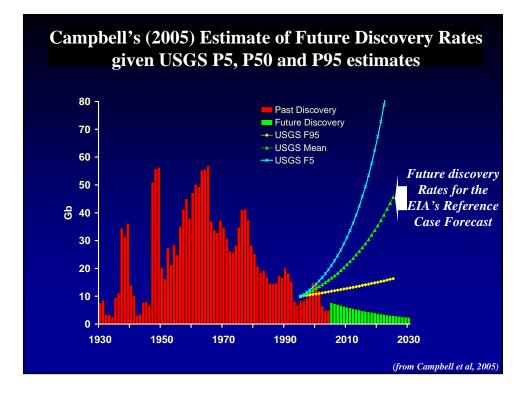


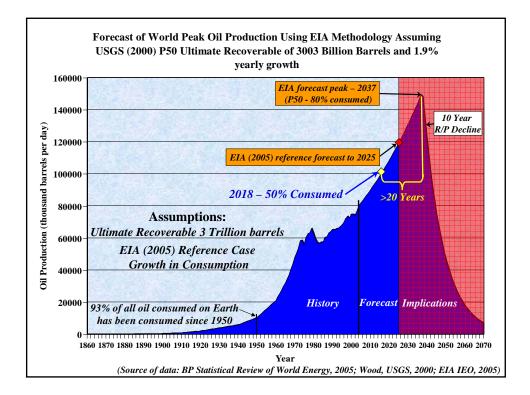


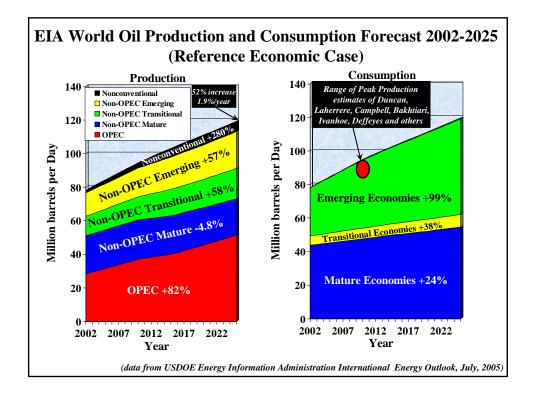


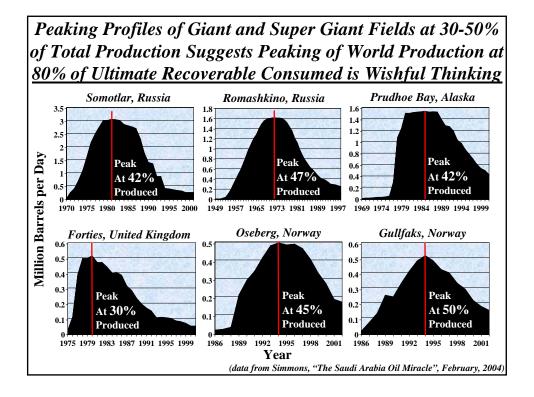


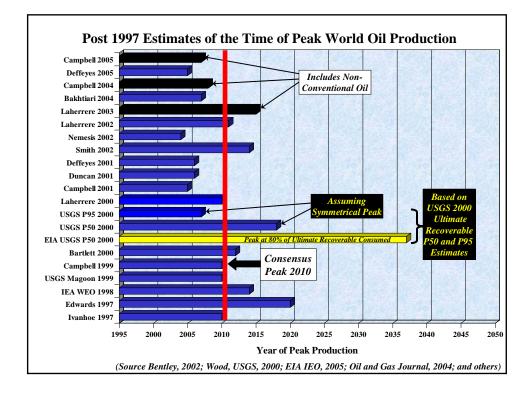


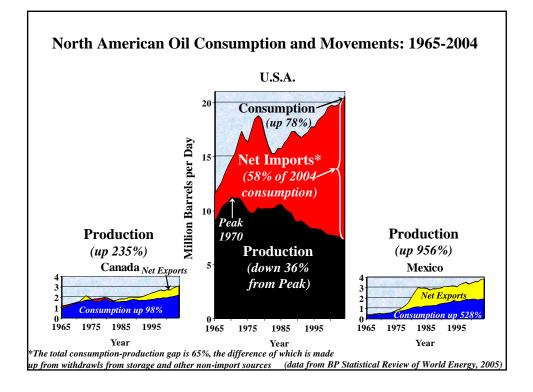


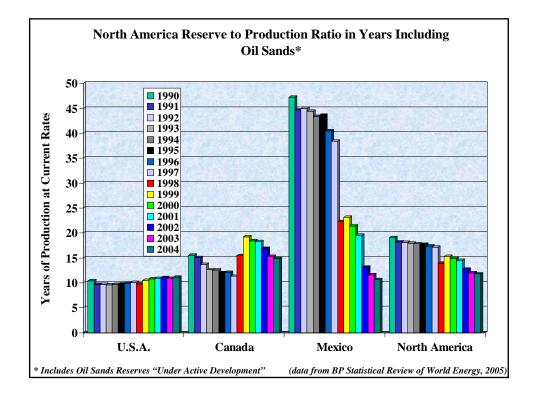


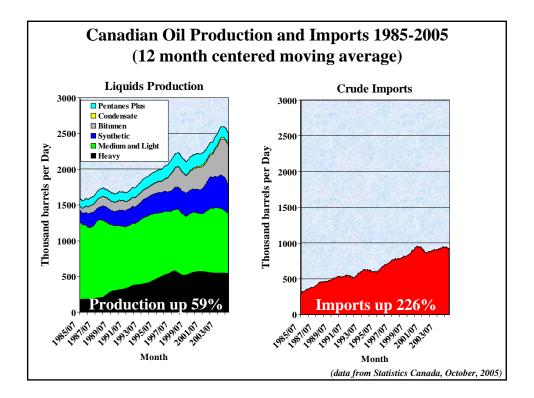


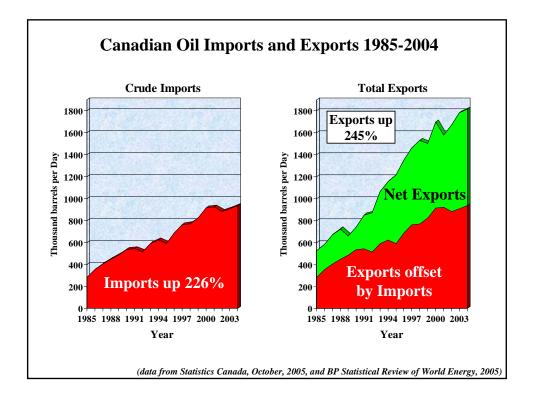


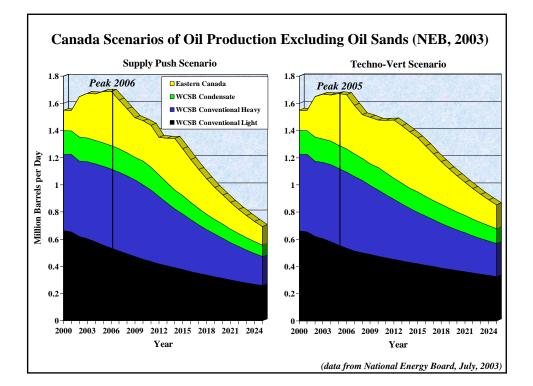












Yes, But We've Got the OIL SANDS – More Oil than Saudi Arabia!

- 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.

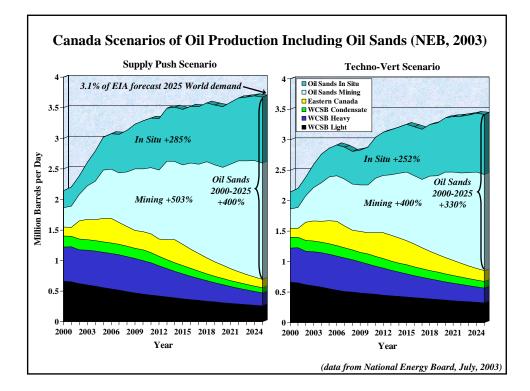
- Oil from the oil sands is very energy intensive – Forecast four- to five-fold growth to 2025 will require between 1.6 and 2.3 bcf/day of natural gas, which is approximately equivalent to the planned maximum capacity of the MacKenzie Valley pipeline of 1.9 bcf/day, or about one-fifth of forecast Canadian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

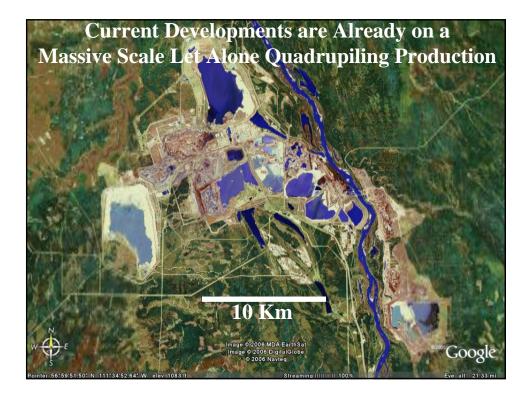
- Expansion of capacity is limited by natural gas supply and natural gas price, which could destroy economics if there are shortfalls in supply, barring widespread application of non-thermal processes, or switching to alternative fuels.

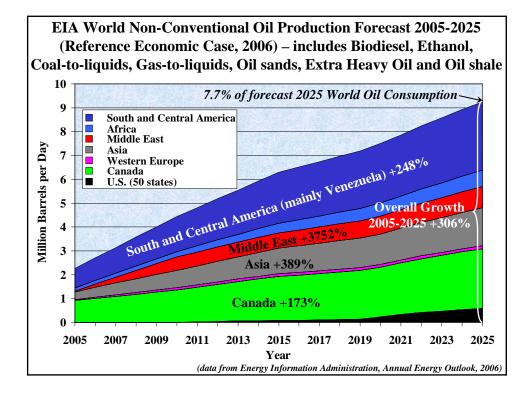
- Expansion of capacity is limited by water supply (¹need average of 1-2 barrels of make-up water for every barrel of oil depending on recovery method and technology), let alone future expansion unless technologies to reduce water consumption and/or further recycle water can be employed.

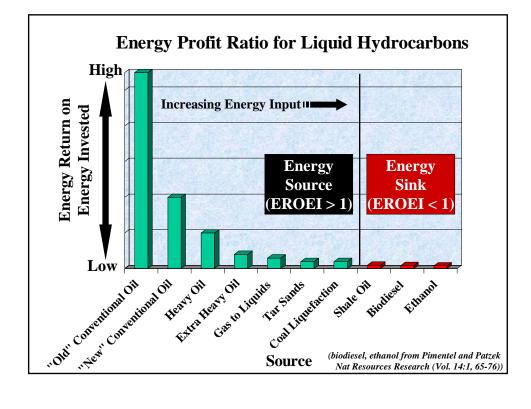
- Expansion of bitumen export capacity may also be limited by projected shortfalls of condensate/light crude diluent for blending which are forecast to occur in the 2004-2006 timeframe (National Energy Board, 2003), requiring other alternatives such as synthetic crude or conventional light oil.

(¹CERI report 2003)









GAS

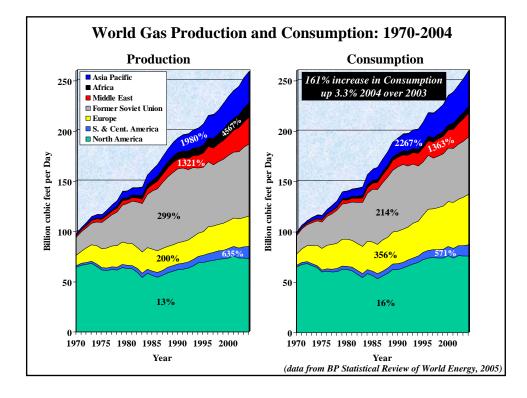
- The third largest source of energy in the world *after oil and coal* (23.7% *of primary energy consumption in 2004*)

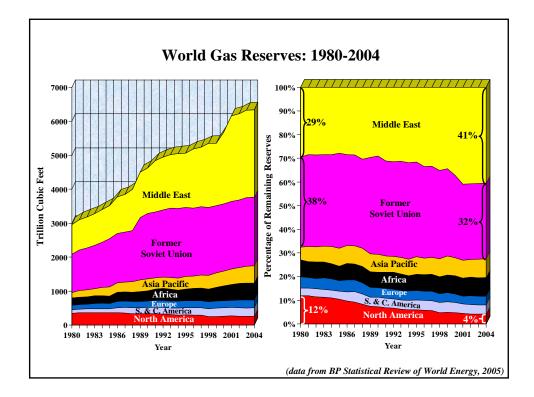
- Largely landlocked when it comes to international trade, unlike oil and coal – 6% of World consumption was moved by Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) in 2004

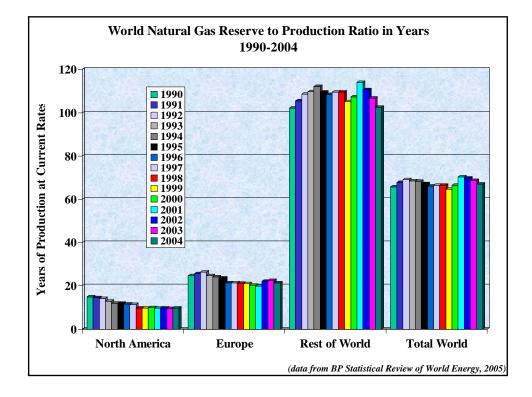
- Natural Gas is difficult to store by comparison to Oil and Coal (approximately 3.2 Tcf of "working" storage in the U.S. or 50 days of U.S. Supply) - North America is a Continental gas market- about 2.8% of North American (ie. U.S.A.) consumption was moved as LNG in 2004

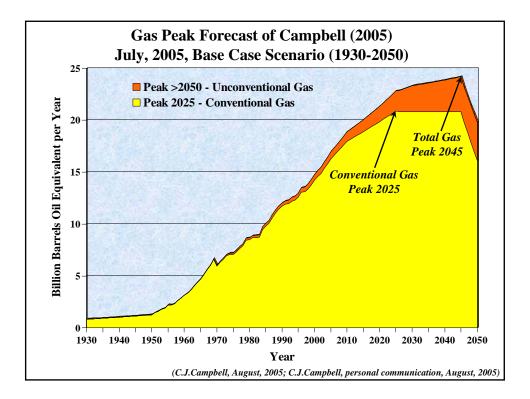
- LNG entails an energy loss of between 15 and 30% for liquefaction, transportation and regasification, as LNG must be cooled to -165 degrees Celsius for movement by ship

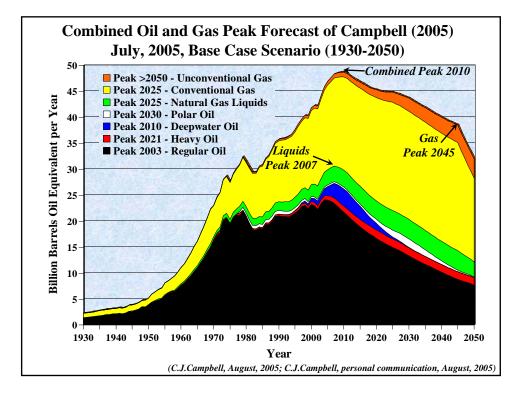
- LNG is subject to Geopolitics as three-quarters of remaining natural gas reserves are located in the Former Soviet Union and the Middle East, as well as the NIMBY syndrome in locating new receiving terminals in North America because of perceived dangers by the general public

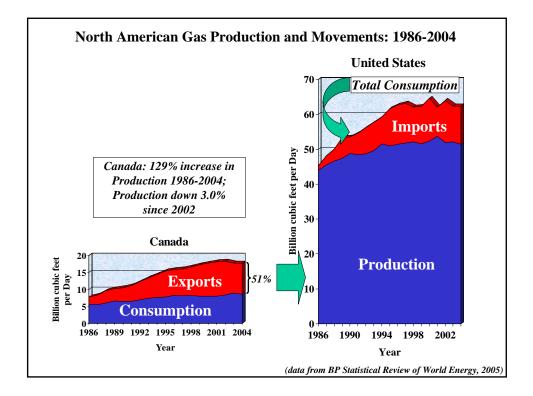


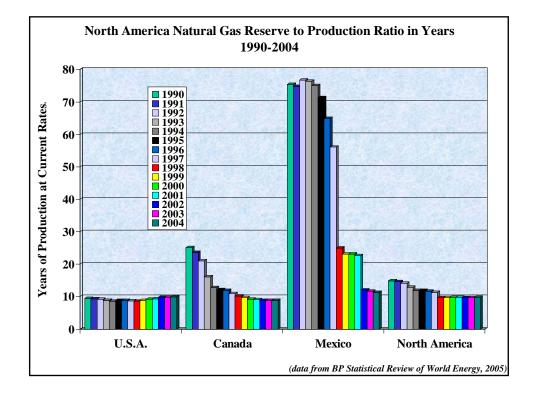


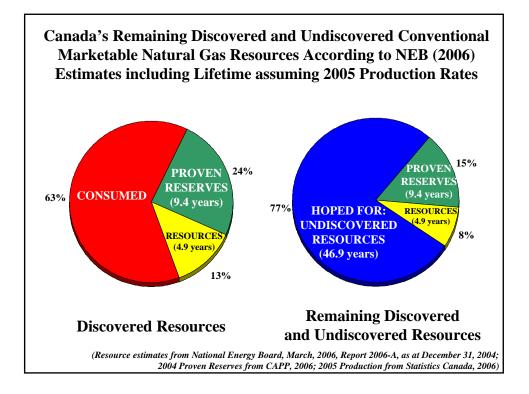


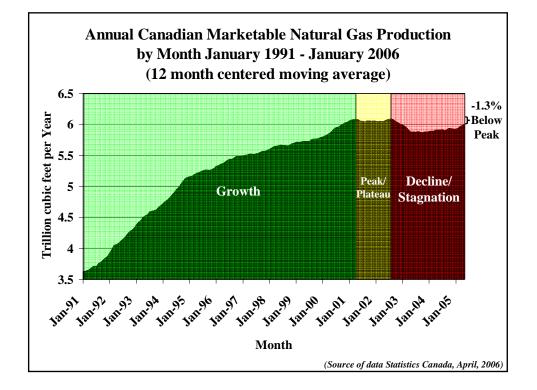


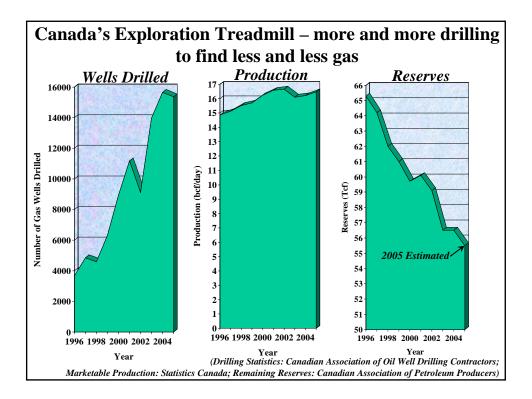


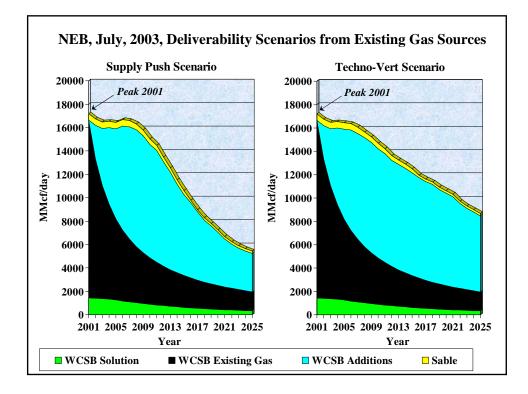


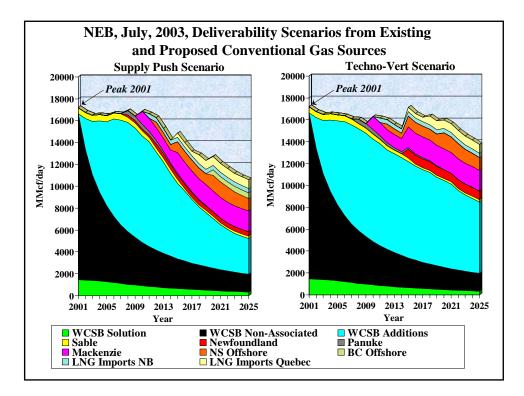


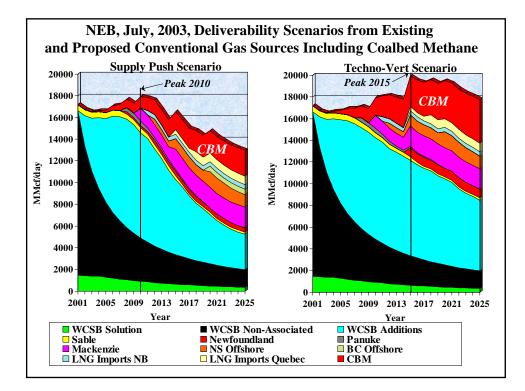


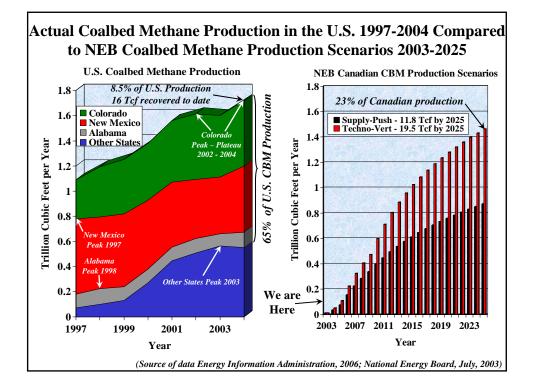


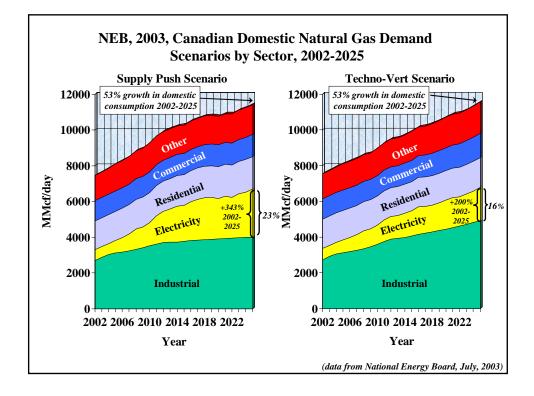


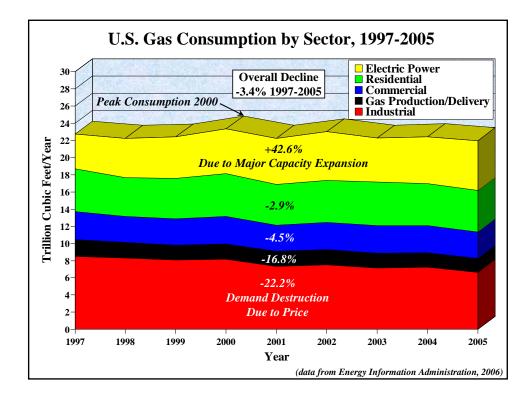


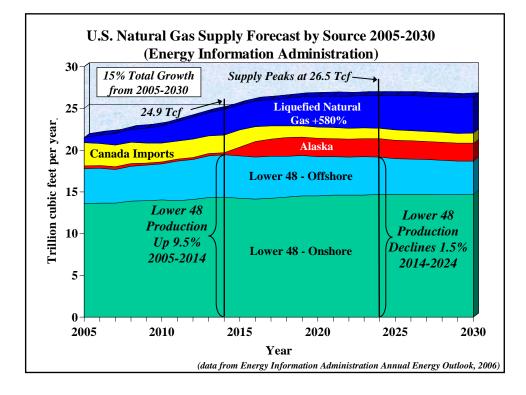


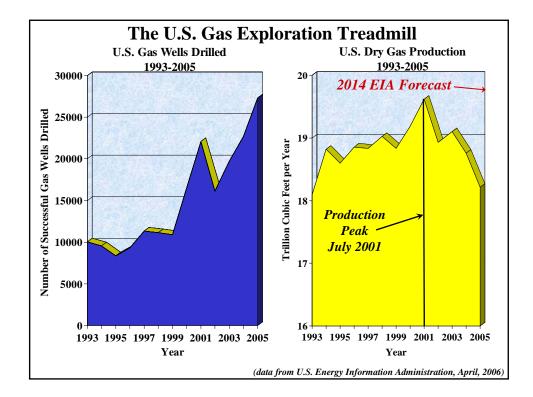


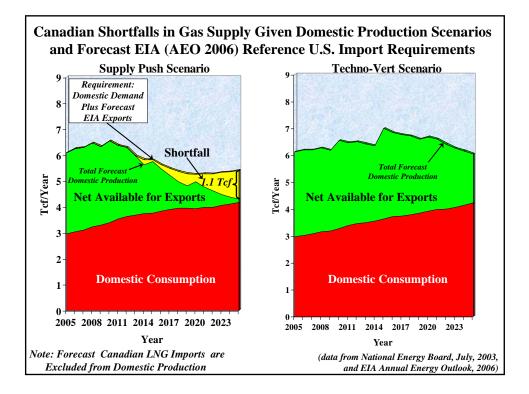


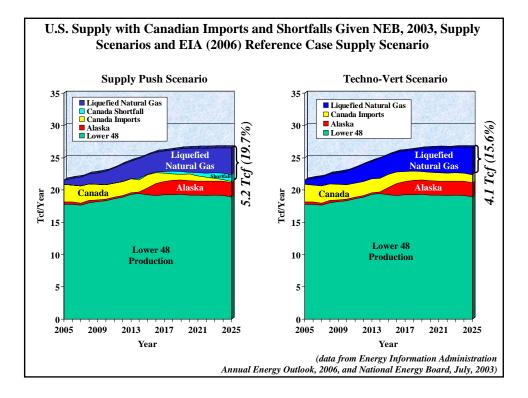


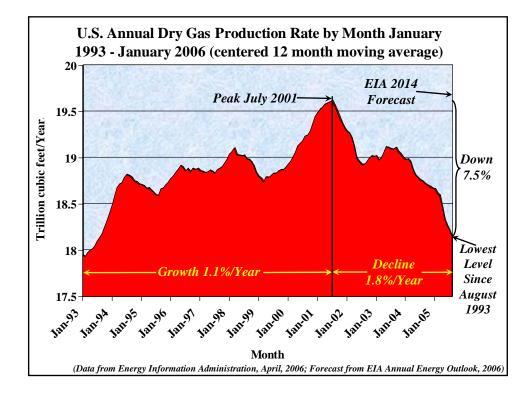


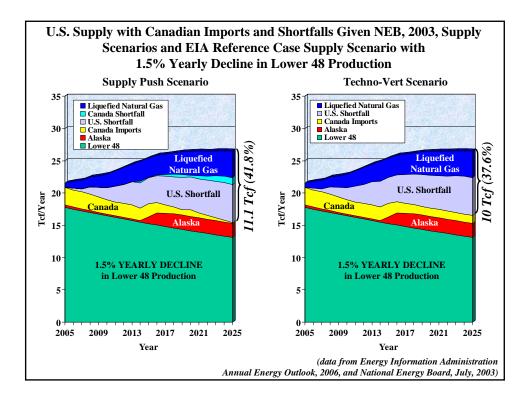








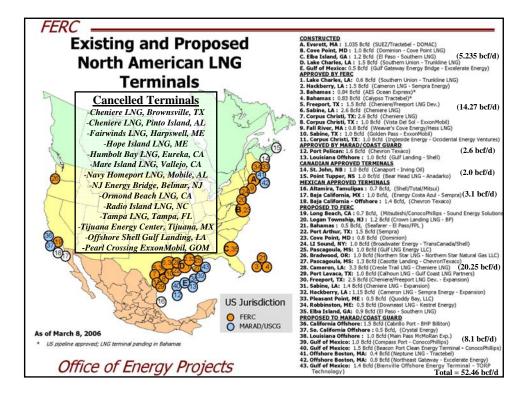




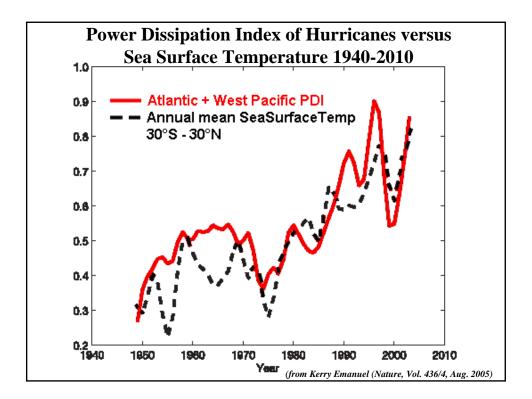
FUTURE OUTLOOK: - IMPLICATIONS - If supply and demand forecasts are to be believed, there appear to be serious supply shortfalls in Continental natural gas coming – Canada is unlikely to be able to fill the supply gap - SOLUTIONS - probably involve a portfolio of options: - Conservation and Efficiency - 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**

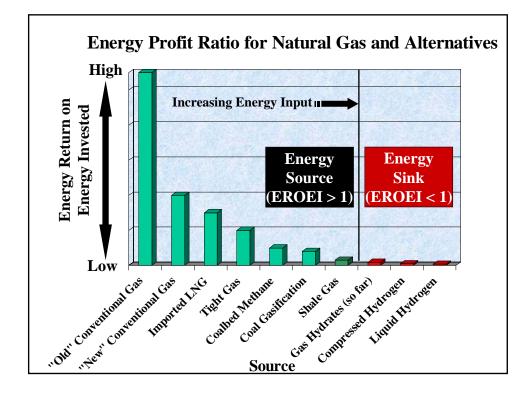


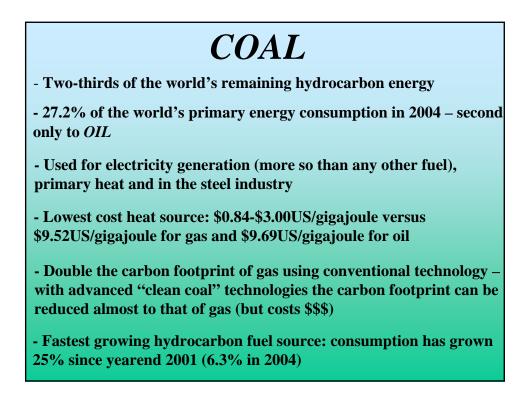


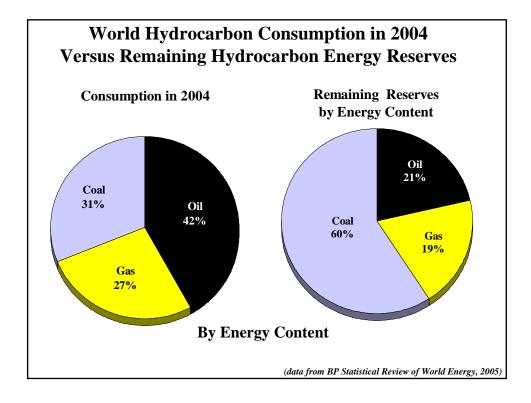


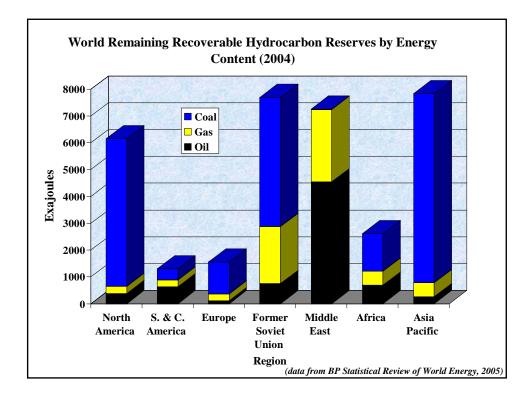


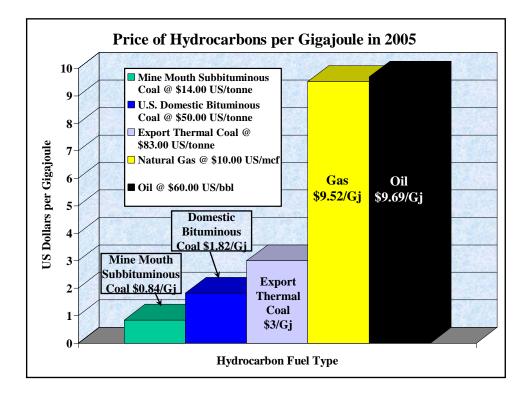


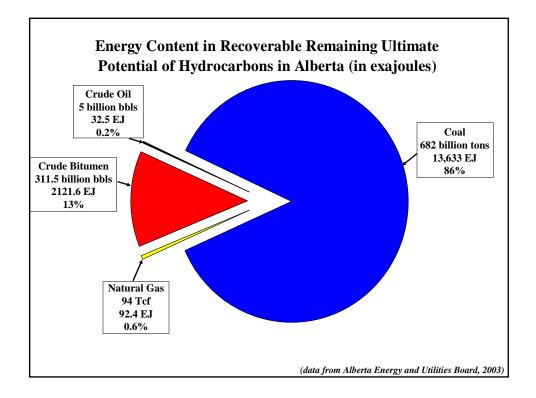




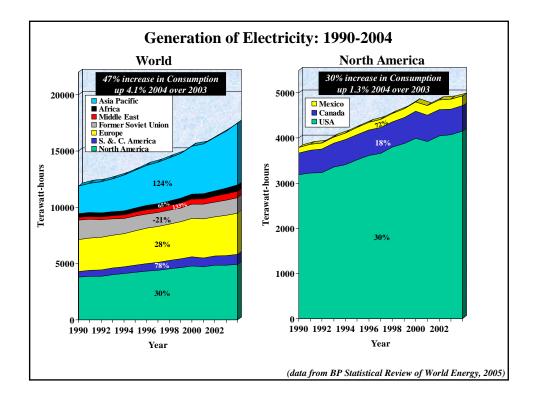


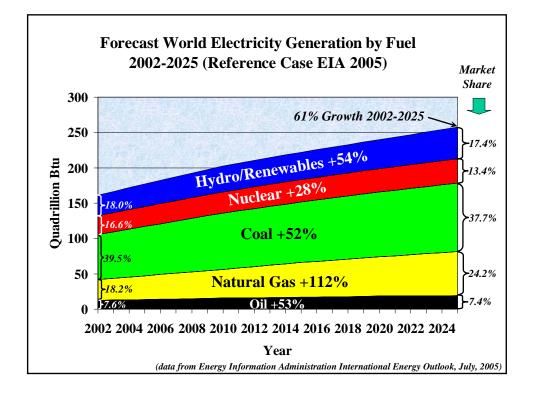


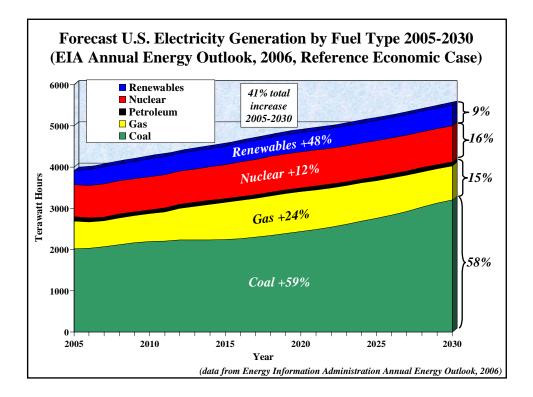


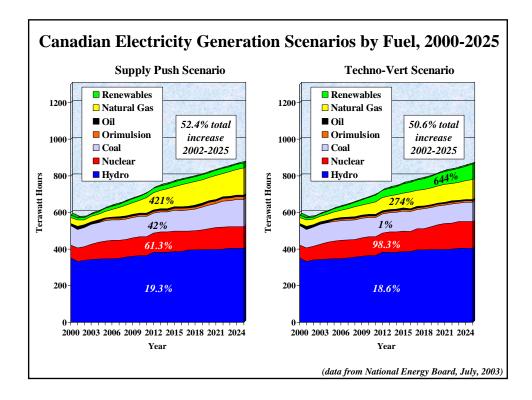


ELECTRICITY Availability of reliable electricity defines our modern civilization Electricity in essence cannot be stored in bulk – it must be generated on demand We convert hydrocarbons to electricity at an energy penalty of from 30 to 70% Electricity is transmitted to points of use with losses depending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

Implications for Sustainability - OIL

THERE IS A DISCONNECT BETWEEN WORLD OIL RESERVES AND FORECAST OIL CONSUMPTION:

- World Oil Production could peak in the 2008-2012 timeframe (consensus) – even the Optimist's Reference Case says 2018 if peak symmetrical or 2037 if peak at 80% of Ultimate Recoverable Conventional Oil consumed.

- OPEC has most of what's left and could become the dominant oil supplier before the end of the decade, but will need to rapidly expand its production capacity which could be problematic.

- Industrialized countries will be in competition with rapidly growing consumers in the *Developing World over a finite supply*, with attendant impacts on economic growth due to oil price (which will shape the world oil production profile at peak).

- Even with a four- or five-fold expansion of production from the Oil Sands, Canada will be a small player in World Oil Supply (about 3% of forecast 2025 World Demand with net export capacity of about 1% of forecast 2025 World Demand).

- Supply from Unconventional Oil is unlikely to compensate for the decline in Conventional Oil Production. Unconventional liquids production including biodiesel, ethanol, coal-to-liquids, gas-to-liquids, oil sands and oil shale is forecast to meet less than 8% of 2025 World demand.

Implications for Sustainability - GAS

THERE IS A DISCONNECT BETWEEN NORTH AMERICAN GAS DELIVERABILITY AND FORECAST CONSUMPTION:

- Several existing producing areas in North America are in or near decline.

- Higher cost frontier and offshore conventional production and non-conventional production from coalbed methane, tight gas and shale gas likely cannot forestall the declines in conventional production for long and cannot provide for forecast aggressive domestic demand and export growth, unless as-yet-unproven windfalls result from hydrates, coalbed methane, shale gas etc.

- The United States will require between 16 and 42% of projected demand to be met by offshore sources by 2025, depending on the success of the development of nonconventional gas in the U.S. and Canada, the pace of new conventional development in Canada, the realization (or lack thereof) of optimistic supply additions in the U.S., and the development of LNG import capacity in the U.S. and Canada.

- Solutions include conservation/efficiency, LNG imports, (which would mean large investments in new infrastructure), *demand destruction*, (move intensive fertilizer/petrochemical industries offshore), *additional non-conventional gas and fuel switching*.

Implications for Sustainability - ELECTRICITY

- The North America Electric Reliability Council (NERC, September, 2005) indicates 206 gigawatts of new gas-fired generation was completed in 1998-2004 and forecasts new gas-fired supply growth of 58.5 gigawatts through 2011 (25% NA grid expansion 1998-2011)

- Electricity generation accounted for 24.3% of U.S. gas consumption in 2005 (EIA, 2006) and is expected to account for 28% in 2020 (EIA, 2006)

- Forecast shortfalls in supply of natural gas could jeopardize future availability of a secure electricity supply unless new supplies can be secured

- Renewable energy - biomass, wind and photovoltaics must be emphasized but will realistically only provide a relatively small incremental supply (eg. Wind represents about 0.5% of Canada's generating capacity at present).

- Nuclear is limited by capital cost, public perceptions and environmental impact (Waste storage at Yucca Mtn. will cost \$US50billion+ to build and will be completely filled with U.S. wastes since the beginning of the Atomic Age). The EIA (2005) forecasts only modest growth in world electricity generation from nuclear through 2025 (28%) with declines thereafter. The EIA AEO 2006 reference economic case indicates only 12% growth in U.S. nuclear capacity through 2025.

- Large Hydro is limited by lack of available sites and environmental costs

Implications for Sustainability - COAL

- Two-thirds of World's remaining hydrocarbon energy (90% of North America's)

- Lowest cost hydrocarbon energy - cost is 9% to 32% that of gas and oil at \$US10/mcf and \$US60/bbl, but double the carbon footprint of gas with old technologies

- New more efficient utilization technologies, with reduced GHG emissions, are the key to expanded coal use:

- Higher Efficiency Generation new existing technologies can raise thermal efficiency from 32% to 45% with a corresponding reduction in GHG emissions of 30%, but they are expensive (SCPC, IGCC) – expected future improvements in efficiency to 50% (2010) and 60% (2020) (Vision 21 USDOE). ITS HAPPENING – eg. NIEDERAUSSEM 3900 MWATT GERMAN PLANT @ 43.2% EFFICIENCY; VATTENFALL OXYFUEL PILOT IN GERMANY

- Petrochemicals from Coal (POLYGENERATION) – gasification, liquefaction, in situ gasification for deep coal utilization

- Hydrogen from coal (competes with H_2 from natural gas @ \$4.00US/mcf – China produces 5 Mt of H_2 /year from coal for fertilizers) or in conjunction with electricity generation (IGCC, ZECA - higher cost)

- "Zero Emission" utilization through CO₂ sequestration in coal seams, depleted oil and gas reservoirs and saline aquifers

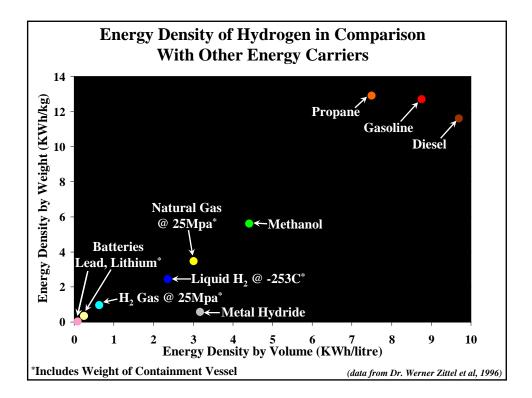
HYDROGEN The Silver Bullet?

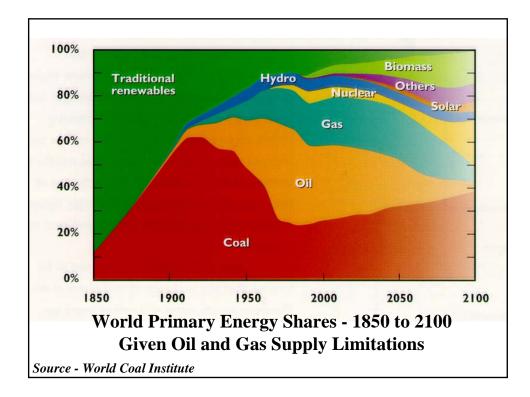
- Hydrogen is an ENERGY CARRIER not an ENERGY SOURCE

- 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%))

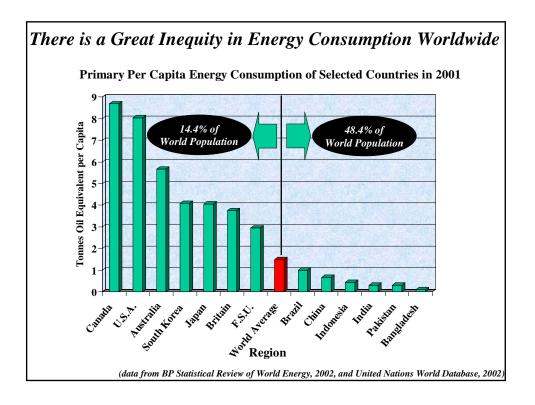
- The stock brokers have already figured it out - witness "Hydrogen's nonfuture" published in the Financial Post of April 3, 2004, based on BMO Nesbitt Burns analysis of the Hydrogen Economy

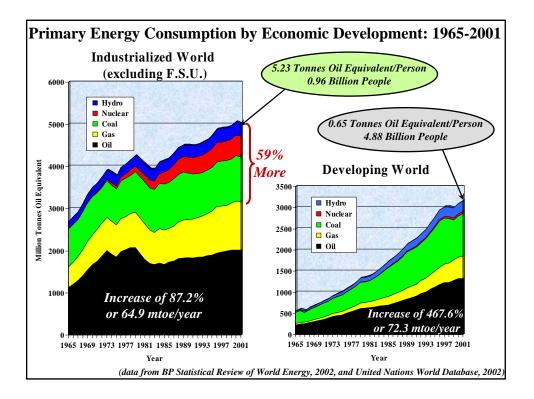


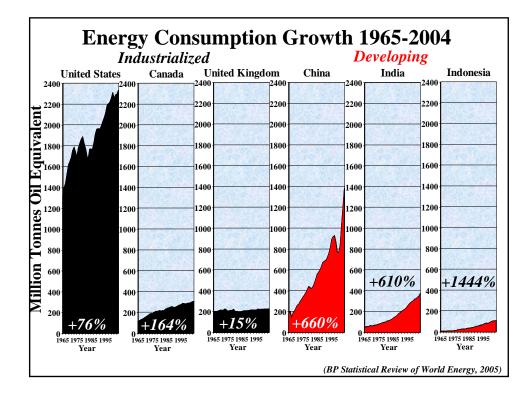


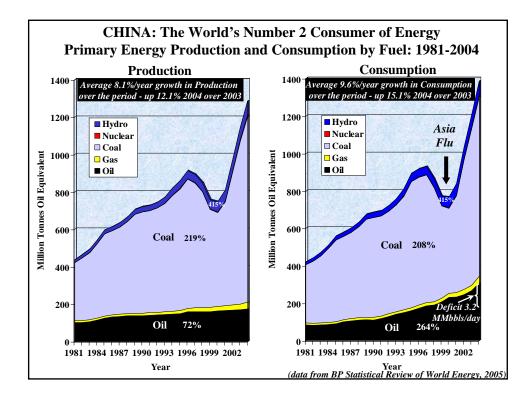
The Last Piece of the Energy Sustainability Puzzle:

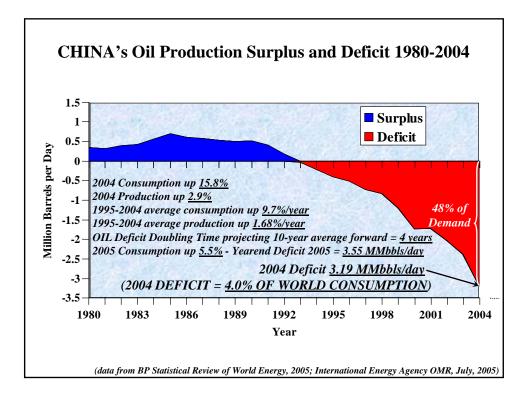
POPULATION GROWTH and ASPIRATIONS OF GROWTH IN ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD

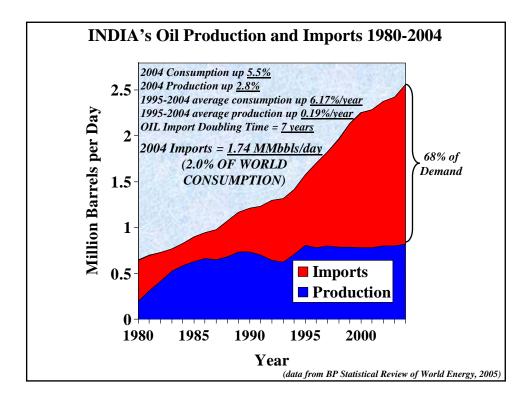


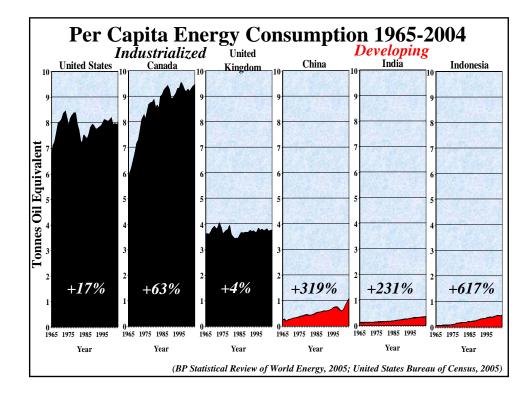


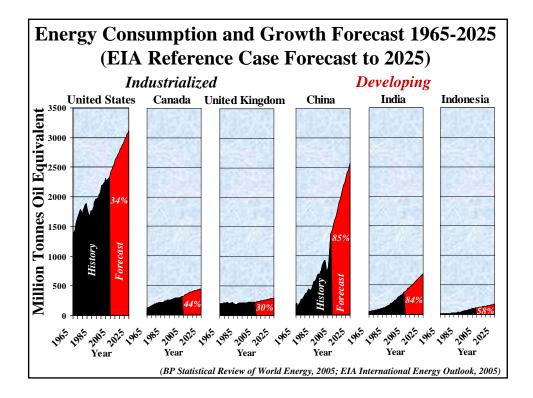


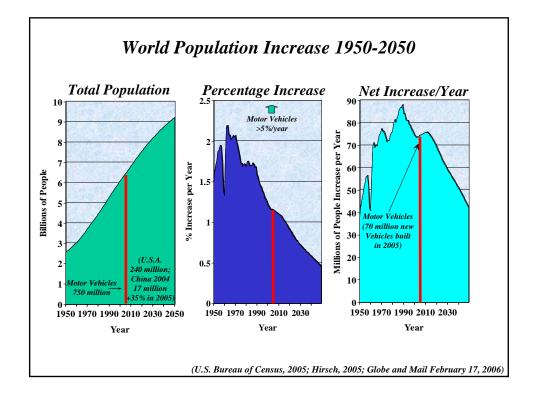


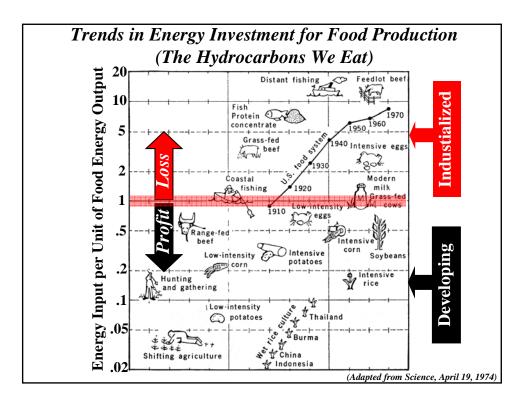












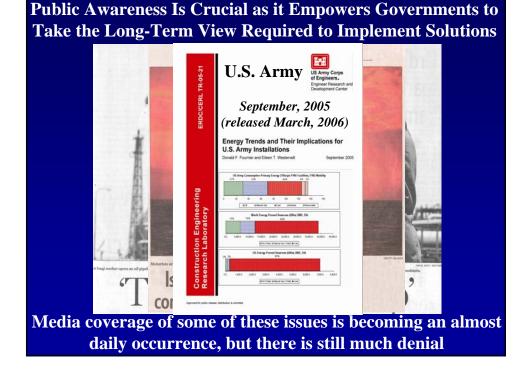
The Way Forward

- Business as usual is not a sustainable option the ultimate resource potential of oil and gas is arguable but we are definitely dealing with a finite resource the implication of this is that we are running out of the *CHEAP OIL* that fueled the rapid growth in per capita consumption and lifestyle of the last century. Production from crude bitumen resources is not scalable to offset declines in conventional production.
- GAS availability in North America is highly correlated with electricity reliability and cost -

replacement of declining low-cost conventional gas and meeting future demand growth with higher cost conventional and non-conventional supplies represents an *EXTREME CHALLENGE* and, even if it is doable, likely means much higher-cost electricity and higher costs for all other gas uses. LNG imports face infrastructure limitations, siting and Geopolitical obstacles which will likely limit LNG's ability to fill the supply gap. Banking on windfalls from as-yet-unproven hydrates, CBM, shale gas etc. could prove dangerous if the required production levels are not realized.

The Way Forward

- The first step is to recognize the problem, and begin making the changes and creating the infrastructure that will be required for transit to a more sustainable energy future
- The most cost-effective approach is energy conservation - reduce consumption on all levels
- A longer term vision is required than the lifespan of a typical government <u>THERE IS NO SILVER BULLET</u> all options must be objectively assessed and deployed as incremental contributions to a solution
- A sustainable energy future is not out of reach but we have to be thinking in the 10-20+ year timeframe to develop the infrastructure for alternatives as well as technologies and incentives to reduce consumption



Awareness is Rising

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (March 14, 2006)

"The Army operates in a domestic and world energy situation that is highly uncertain"

"Future availability of customary energy sources is problematicworld petroleum production is nearing its peak"

"The earth's endowment of natural resources are depleting at an alarming rate-exponentially faster than the biosphere's ability to replenish them"

"Current energy policies and consumption practices are not sustainable. They clearly limit and potentially eliminate options for future generations"

"As the Earth's population swells-competition for finite resources will increase...conservation is '...the best path to follow""

"...disproportionate [U.S.] consumption of energy relative to global consumption causes loss of the world's good will and provides a context for potential military conflicts..."

Awareness is Rising

Jim Buckee, CEO of Talisman Energy (May 4, 2005):

Conservation and energy efficiency are the "most important" ways to reduce oil demand

Questioned whether the world will ever be able to produce 90 million barrels a day

IEA World Energy Outlook 2005 (November 7, 2005):

"... projected [energy consumption] trends have important implications and lead to a future that is not sustainable"

"We must...get the planet onto a sustainable energy path"

Awareness is Rising

Peter Tertzakian, Chief Economist ARC Financial Corp Author "A THOUSAND BARRELS A SECOND" (February 13, 2006):

"...the World is on the verge of a break point that could come before the end of the decade..."

"...there is no quick technology fix to save us from the inevitable, at least in the next five to ten years..."

"...only Government has the power and the tools to push us to a new energy path...Free market forces are not strong enough to catalyze rapid change in energy because it takes so much capital"

"What the World needs is rapid change. There has to be a push from Nations"

Some of the Smartest Comments on Energy Sustainability I've Heard Lately

• Senior Executive, Dow Chemical, New Orleans, March 17, 2005:

Letter to George Bush signed by many concerned industrial representatives included two top priorities on energy security:

- Conservation and Efficiency (in ALL Sectors)
- Fuel Diversity: Clean Coal, Coal Gasification, Renewables, Nuclear
- Senior Energy Executive on using Gas to Produce and Refine the Oil Sands:

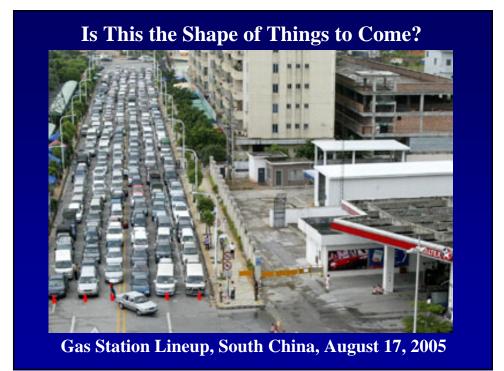
Using gas to produce and refine the oil sands is akin "... to turning gold into lead..."

• Dow Canada CEO on gas use for electricity/oil sands: Utilizing Gas for low value uses like electricity generation and oil sands as opposed to high value uses such as petrochemicals is like "...lighting candles with one hundred dollar bills..."

Some of the Other Comments on Energy Sustainability I've Heard Lately

- U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney on Conservation: "Conservation may be a sign of personal virtue, but it is not a sufficient basis for a sound, comprehensive energy policy"
- U.S. Energy Bill:
 - Tax break of \$3,150 for buying a hybrid vehicle.
 - Tax break of \$25,000 for buying a Hummer or SUV greater than 3 tons, as long as it is used for business, with write off of all remaining costs over 6 years.
 - Business owners of vehicles weighing less than 3 tons can only write off a maximum of \$15,535 over six years irregardless of cost.
- Oregon State Government "We're losing revenue on gas taxes because of people buying hybrid vehicles"

"We'll put a GPS system on all vehicles and tax people on how many miles they drive, not how much gas they consume"



Can Energy Supply Meet Forecast World Demand?

- *MOST PROBABLY NOT* – Present Global Energy Demand Forecasts are likely to prove to be Unsustainable unless they are revised sharply downward

- The Energy Sustainability Issue will certainly affect us and will profoundly impact our Children and Grand Children, unless Global proactive actions are taken (SOON)

- The Energy Sustainability Issue may Trump the Global Warming /Environmental Degradation Issue with respect to short term Socio-Economic impact, although both are on the radar in the near term

- Solutions to both Issues have common components (eg. Conservation, Efficiency, Technology, Alternatives), hence mitigating one issue can help mitigate the other

THE PROBLEM

Aggressive demand growth in the past and forecast in the future

Built mainly on non-renewable energy sources

CONSUMING THE EARTH'S CAPITAL AND ITS INTEREST

THE SOLUTION

Radically Reduced Demand – how to do it?

Supplied mainly by renewable energy sources

But also by alternative higher value uses of non-renewables

LIVING ON THE EARTH'S INTEREST AND PUTTING SOMETHING IN THE BANK FOR PAST TRANSGRESSIONS

- *RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES* such as wind, photovoltaics, run of stream hydro, tidal power, solar thermal and biomass are <u>*EXTREMELY UNLIKELY*</u> to fill the hydrocarbon gap if we insist on maintaining our current levels of consumption (let alone increasing them).

- The <u>ABSOLUTE FIRST PRIORITY</u> is to reduce energy consumption as much as possible. This requires a crash program through:

- MORE EFFICIENT AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES:

- Radically enhanced building codes R2000+++
- Mass Transit as a viable option
- Incentives for efficient appliances and heating
- Increased densities
- Design for local access to consumer requirements
- Enabling pedestrian, biking and car pool transport

SOLUTIONS

- IMPLEMENT LOW COST OR REVENUE NEUTRAL READJUSTMENTS THAT ENCOURAGE A REDUCTION IN ENERGY CONSUMPTION:

- STOP building and widening roads to accommodate ever more traffic – instead reinvest these funds to improve public transit

- Implement user fees for car travel in downtown areas that are served by public transit (this has worked well in many places in Europe, where per capita energy consumption is half of that in the U.S. and Canada)

- Reintroduce lower speed limits – this worked in the 1970's

- Mandate much higher average mileage requirements for the vehicle fleet

- LIVING LOCALLY:

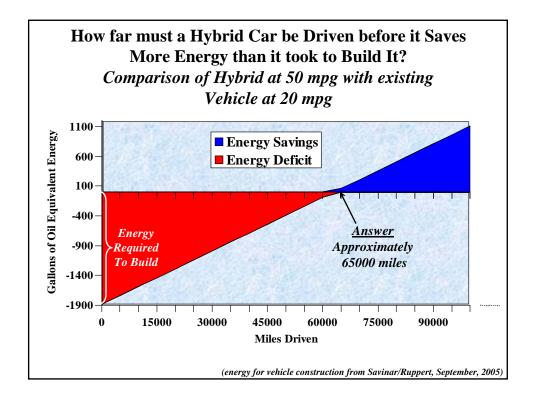
- The *INTERNET* represents an absolutely unprecedented opportunity to reduce commuting as well as to access World Markets. *BROADBAND INTERNET* expanded to all rural communities can ensure the viability of dispersed, more sustainable communities.

- Encourage and nurture the development of LOCALLY GROWN FOOD and LOCAL MANUFACTURE of required commodities in order to minimize long distance transport.

-MORE EFFICIENT VEHICLES:

- <u>BOTTOM LINE</u>: Replacing half of the U.S. ground vehicle fleet would cost \$3.8 Trillion and consume 5.6 billion barrels of oil equivalent energy to build. *Even with a crash program implementation it would take 8-10 Years*. Yearly savings of 25% of current fuel use would be 3.3 billion barrels.

(vehicle numbers, proportion of fuel consumption and average lifespan from Hirsch, 2005)



SOLUTIONS -MORE EFFICIENT VEHICLES (continued):

MESSAGE:

- Reducing transportation requirements is likely to have a much more immediate impact than replacing the vehicle fleet with hybrids and maintaining existing transportation habits.

- The existing vehicle fleet represents a tremendous amount of embodied energy in its construction that would require a similar expenditure of energy to replace.

- *IDEALLY* we need to do both: replace vehicles at the end of their practical lifespan with the most efficient vehicles available *AND* reduce transportation requirements as much as possible.

- BULK COMMODITY TRANSPORT:

-TRAINS instead of TRUCKS – trains are 3.4 times as efficient in moving goods than trucks

- SHIPS instead of TRUCKS – ships are 8.7 times as efficient in moving goods than trucks

 SHIPS, TRAINS and TRUCKS instead of PLANES
 ships, trains and trucks are much more efficient in moving goods than planes

(data from U.S. Dept. of Transportation and Canadian Shipowners Association, 2006)

SOLUTIONS

-Implement *RENEWABLES* such as *WIND*, *BIOMASS* and *PHOTOVOLTAICS* to the maximum extent possible:

- *WIND*, unfortunately, cannot exceed about 20% of the grid as it is intermittent and must therefore be backed up by a (usually) nonrenewable energy supply (wind is 0.5% of Canada's capacity at present). Also requires proximity of high quality sites to load centres.

- *BIOMASS* can be used in a highly efficient manner given present technology but realistically represents only a small incremental contribution to current consumption levels (The Energy Profit Ratio of Biomass MUST also be considered – what is the net energy returned after all energy inputs are accounted for?).

-Implement RENEWABLES (continued):

- *PHOTOVOLTAICS* are also limited by the intermittent nature of the sun and the storage problems if batteries are used. They are optimally suited to residential applications because of their low power intensity but they are expensive. *TRUE NET METERING* with *TIME OF USE PRICING* in grid intertie applications *CAN RADICALLY IMPROVE THE ECONOMICS OF PV* and has been implemented in several States. Generators of PV electricity can "run the meter backwards" obtaining the retail price at the time of the sale (typically during peak load when the price is highest). This not only improves the economics of PV, it reduces peak load and therefore the need to build new large scale fossil fueled generation by utilities.

SOLUTIONS

- NONRENEWABLES ALTERNATIVE USE: Remaining fuels should be used for their highest value contribution to society: - CONSERVE NATURAL GAS used for electricity generation and as a low grade heat source through substitution by renewables, distributed generation with CHP, clean coal technologies, coal gasification, coal-to-liquids, and, if economical, nuclear - for example, ethane extracted from raw natural gas and turned into polyethylene increases its value by a factor of 12, into packaging products by 20, and by upgrading to building materials by a factor of 58 (Dr. Ramachandran, President DOW Canada, June, 2005). - Implement expansion of alternative oil and gas substitutes including COAL-TO-LIQUIDS (commercially viable at \$30-\$35/bbl), COAL GASIFICATION, GAS-TO-LIQUIDS and LNG technology (but, as with oil sands, takes many years and **\$\$\$** for infrastructure).

- Continued expansion of the *OIL SANDS* is inevitable but must employ technologies that utilize alternatives to natural gas for energy input and minimize environmental impacts including water consumption (but, as noted, takes many years and \$\$\$ for infrastructure and therefore will be a small part of the solution).

- Expansion of the VENEZUELA ORINOCO EXTRA HEAVY OIL BELT is also inevitable but must be done with maximum efforts to minimize energy inputs and environmental impacts.

- FORGET HYDROGEN as a major contributor to transportation and distributed generation unless there are major improvements in fuel cell technology (10-20x in cost; 5x in lifetime; 2x in efficiency) as well as in storage technology, and the ability to generate hydrogen from renewable sources.

IMPLEMENTING MANY OF THESE SOLUTIONS (ESPECIALLY CONSERVATION AND EFFICIENCY) GOING FORWARD IS NOT OPTIONAL

ENERGY CONSUMPTION CANNOT EXCEED ENERGY SUPPLY

MOTHER NATURE WILL TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEM

BUT UNLESS WE ARE PROACTIVE WE MAY NOT LIKE THE SOLUTION

