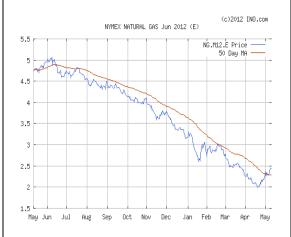
# **Nordic Energy**

## ENERGY MATTERS NATURAL GAS NEWSLETTER

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Market- The natural gas market traded higher again this week but over-supply is keeping prices low. This week was another storage injection. We still have more gas in storage than last year and the 5 year average. The US gas traditional rig count was a decrease this week of 7 and horizontal drilling increased 19 rigs. Prices continue to be tempered by flat industrial demand; but the economy is improving. Gas production levels due mostly to shale drilling are still strong and exports continue. Natural gas is very attractive to fix at this time.

The Crude oil price for June is lower this week at \$96.91per barrel. Heating oil is lower at \$2.98 per gal. Unleaded gasoline futures are lower this week at \$3.01 and gasoline at the pump is around \$3.89...in Indiana. The natural gas storage report today was an injection of 30 BCF; storage is 799BCF higher than last year and 803 **BCF** higher than the 5 year average.



Above Graph – June 2012 NYMEX gas futures

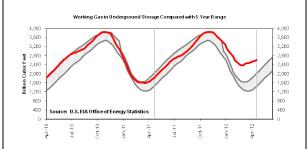
### **Extended Temperature Forecast:** Chicago Area

	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
High	62	75	60	65	72
Low	50	58	51	50	55

#### Storage Statistics: (BCF) Billion Cubic Ft

This Week Last Year 5 Year Ave. 2,606 1,807 1,803

The total is an increase of 30 BCF from last week.



Above Graph - Storage levels as of 5-10-12

#### Comparative Fuels: Futures Prices for June

Price Compared to Nat Gas Natural Gas (therm) \$.2487 \$.2487 Propane (gal) \$1.00 \$1.09 Crude Oil (barrel) \$96.91 \$2.98 \$2.14 Heating Oil (gal) Unleaded Gas (gal) \$3.01

#### North American Traditional Nat. Gas Rig Count:

This week Last week 613 Year Ago this week 890

#### **US Horizontal Rig Count:**

This week 1158 Last week 1139 Year Ago this week 1038

#### NGI for May 2012 **\$.2090**

