

Volume 443 September 13, 2012

Market- The natural gas market traded higher all week but is retreating somewhat after the storage report. Weather factors across the country have subsided so natural gas going to fuel gas peaking power has decreased. Over-supply is keeping prices low; but the tropical storm threats, oil prices and an increase in liquefied natural gas exports is keeping prices supported. We still have more gas in storage than last year and the five-year average. The US gas traditional rig count was a decrease this week of 21 and horizontal drilling decreased 14 rigs. Gas production levels due mostly to shale drilling are still strong. Natural gas is very attractive to fix at this time.

The Crude oil price for October is higher this week at \$98.55 per barrel. Heating oil is higher at \$3.21 per gal. Unleaded gasoline futures are lower this week at \$2.96 and gasoline at the pump is around \$3.95...in Indiana. The natural gas storage report this week was an injection of 27 BCF; storage is **342BCF higher** than last year and **284 BCF higher** than the 5 year average.



Above Graph – Oct 2012 NYMEX gas futures

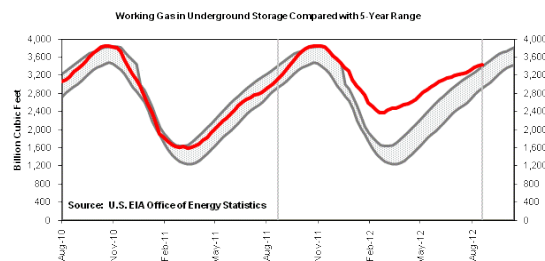
**Extended Temperature Forecast:
Chicago Area**

	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
High	71	76	78	78	76
Low	53	52	55	59	53

Storage Statistics: (BCF) Billion Cubic Ft

This Week	Last Year	5 Year Ave.
3,429	3,087	3,145

The total is an increase of 27 BCF from last week.



Above Graph - Storage levels as of September 13

Comparative Fuels: Futures Prices for Oct

	Price	Compared to Nat Gas
Natural Gas (therm)	\$2.964	\$2964
Propane (gal)	\$9340	\$1.018
Crude Oil (barrel)	\$98.55	
Heating Oil (gal)	\$3.21	\$2.31
Unleaded Gas (gal)	\$2.96	

North American Traditional Nat. Gas Rig Count:

This week	452
Last week	473
Year Ago this week	892

US Horizontal Rig Count:

This week	1135
Last week	1149
Year Ago this week	1134

NGI for Sep 2012 \$2.2760

