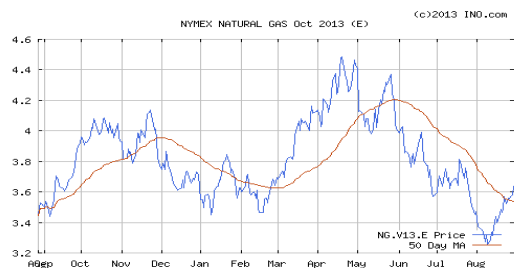


Volume 491 August 29, 2013

Market- September natural gas futures expired Wednesday at \$.3567 per therm; October is now the front month. Natural gas traded higher this week as warmer weather across the country and future hurricane threats are keeping prices supported as well as oil over \$100 and new natural gas LNG exports. The once over-supply of gas in storage is now at average levels as seen on the graph to the right; storage right now is below last year levels but above the five-year average. Prices throughout the years are compressed caused by strong activity in the front months and selling in the later months. The US gas traditional rig count decreased 1 rig and horizontal drilling decreased 2 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 Oct is higher this week at \$109.27 per barrel. Heating oil is higher at \$3.21 per gal. Unleaded gasoline futures are higher this week at \$2.94 and gasoline at the pump is around \$3.79...in Indiana. The natural gas storage report this week was an injection of 67BCF; storage is **235BCF lower** than last year and **45BCF above** than the 5 year average.



Above Graph – Oct 2013 NYMEX gas futures

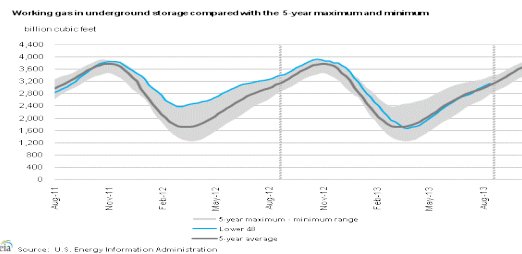
Extended Temperature Forecast: Chicago Area

	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
High	88	93	84	88	74
Low	71	73	69	65	59

Storage Statistics: (BCF) Billion Cubic Ft

This Week	Last Year	5 Year Ave.
3,130	3,365	3,085

The total is an increase of 67 BCF from last week.



Above Graph - Storage levels as of August 29

Comparative Fuels: Futures Prices for Oct

	Price	Compared to Nat Gas
Natural Gas (therm)	\$.3545	\$.3545
Propane (gal)	\$1.11	\$1.22
Crude Oil (barrel)	\$109.27	
Heating Oil (gal)	\$3.21	\$2.31
Unleaded Gas (gal)	\$2.94	

North American Traditional Nat. Gas Rig Count:

This week	387
Last week	388
Year Ago this week	486

US Horizontal Rig Count:

This week	1075
Last week	1077
Year Ago this week	1159

NGI Chicago for August 2013 **\$3.620**

