

Six-Year Natural Gas Holding above Low Price

Summary and Recommendation

Despite new lows last week for the near-month futures price for Louisiana natural gas, the average of futures prices for the next six years is holding above its weekly low set on March 16 (see chart below, <u>Six-Year and One-Year Natural Gas and Oil Futures</u> and chart on page 6, <u>Six-Year Commodity Price Meter</u>). Logically, the six-year price should be more relevant to stock price than the near-month price set at a seasonally low period. Large cap buy recommendations sensitive to North American natural gas price are **EOG Resources (EOG)**, **Devon Energy (DVN)** and **Encana (ECA)**.

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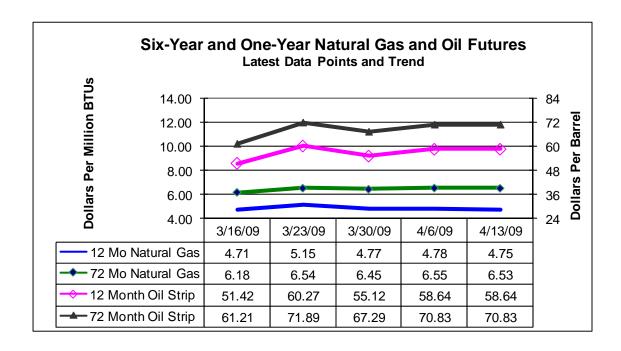




Table 1										
]	McDep	Energy	Portfolio	ı				
	Geog				Business		nts			
						Prese	nt Value by	Segment	(%)	
			Price			North	Rest	~~~	(, ,,	
	Symbol	/Rating	(US\$/sh)	EV/	Enterprise	Amer.	of World			
		B = Buy	13-Apr	Market	Value	Natural	Natural	Oil	Down-	McDep
		I = Hold	2009	Cap	(\$mm)	Gas	Gas	Prod'n	stream	Ratio
II C Integrated										
U.S. Integrated Exxon Mobil Corporation	XOM	В	68.02	1.11	380,000	5	27	47	21	0.77
Chevron Corporation	CVX	Н	67.98	1.11	182,000	4	12		19	0.77
Marathon Oil Corporation								65		
	MRO	H	28.85	1.53	31,100	7	6	60	27	0.64
ConocoPhillips	COP	B	40.06	1.85	110,000	13	10	61	17	0.52
Total or Median *	35%	10%	17%		703,000					0.69
Europe										
BG Group	BRGXF		15.75	1.12	59,800		32	41	27	0.84
BP plc	BP	Н	39.92	1.52	189,000	8	15	62	16	0.64
StatoilHydro ASA (33%)	STO	В	18.22	1.45	27,800		50	50	-	0.61
Total S.A.	TOT	В	49.51	1.28	141,000		25	53	22	0.61
Royal Dutch Shell plc	RDS-A	Н	43.55	1.35	180,000	3	23	45	29	0.55
Total or Median *	29%	12%	17%		598,000					0.61
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Brazil/China/Russia	CEC	**	100.00	1.00	16.600		1.2	00		0.01
CNOOC Limited (34%)	CEO	Н	109.08	1.00	16,600		12	88	-	0.81
Petrobras	PBR		35.90	1.21	191,000		13	77	10	0.76
PetroChina Company Ltd (14%	PTR	В	87.61	1.19	26,600		13	74	13	0.62
Lukoil Oil Company	LUKOY	H	49.05	1.15	48,000			54	46	0.40
Gazprom (50%)	OGZPY	В	17.69	1.24	64,000		80	20	-	0.32
Total or Median *	17%	12%	17%		346,000					0.62
U.S. Independent										
Anadarko Petroleum Corp.	APC	Н	43.96	1.75	35,300	58		37	5	0.75
Occidental Petroleum Corp.	OXY	Н	58.72	1.12	53,300	9	1	81	9	0.68
XTO Energy Inc.	XTO	Н	33.08	1.61	30,800	79	-	21	-	0.66
Chesapeake Energy Corp.	CHK		20.74	2.19	26,200	91		9	_	0.64
EOG Resources	EOG	В	61.97	1.15	17,800	75	5	20	_	0.60
Devon Energy Corporation	DVN	В	48.81	1.40	30,300	67	3	33	_	0.50
Total or Median *	10%	15%	17%	1.40	194,000	07		33		0.65
Canada	D. 60		27.22	1.07	10.400	_		00	1.0	0.70
Imperial Oil Limited (30%)	IMO	H	37.32	1.07	10,400	5		80	16	0.79
Encana Corporation	ECA	В	46.07	1.36	46,900	69		26	4	0.68
Canadian Natural Resources	CNQ	H	45.34	1.46	35,800	24		76	-	0.62
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	В	23.35	1.10	12,400			100	-	0.58
Suncor Energy pro forma	SU	Н	26.17	1.35	55,000	6		85	8	0.57
Petro-Canada (to be SU@1.28)	PCZ	Н	32.17							
Total or Median *	8%	12%	17%		161,000					0.62
Income and Small Cap (see se	parate wee	kly anal	ysis)							
•	1%	39%	17%		29,000	44		56		0.59
Composite					·					
Enterprise Value Weighting	100%				2,031,000	11	18	55	16	0.64
Equal Weighting		100%			, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	35	8	50	7	0.63
Equal Weighted Buys		22070	100%			33	17	44	6	0.59
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	Mc	Dep 1	Energy 1	Portfoli	io			
Net Present Value and McDep Ratio								
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	G 1 1/2		Price			Net	D 1 /	
	Symbol/R	Ŭ	(US\$/sh)	CI	Market	Present	Debt/	14 D
		= Buy Hold	13-Apr 2009	Shares (mm)	(US\$mm)	Value (US\$/sh)	Present Value	McDe _l Ratio
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U.S. Integrated								
Exxon Mobil Corporation	XOM	В	68.02	5,045	343,000	90.00	0.07	0.77
Chevron Corporation	CVX	Н	67.98	2,206	150,000	98.00	0.13	0.73
Marathon Oil Corporation	MRO	Н	28.85	707	20,400	54.00	0.22	0.64
ConocoPhillips	COP	В	40.06	1,486	60,000	109.00	0.24	0.52
Total or Median					573,000		0.18	0.69
Europe								
BG Group plc	BRGXF		15.75	3,379	53,210	19.00	0.09	0.84
BP plc	BP	Н	39.92	3,119	125,000	74.00	0.22	0.64
StatoilHydro ASA (33%)	STO	В	18.22	1,051	19,150	35.00	0.19	0.61
Total S.A.	TOT	В	49.51	2,235	111,000	90.00	0.13	0.61
Royal Dutch Shell plc	RDS-A	Н	43.55	3,064	133,000	92.00	0.14	0.55
Total or Median					441,000		0.14	0.61
Brazil/China/Russia								
CNOOC Limited (34%)	CEO	Н	109.08	152	16,610	135.00	_	0.81
Petrobras	PBR		35.90	4,387	157,490	50.00	0.13	0.76
PetroChina Company Ltd (14%)	PTR	В	87.61	256	22,450	150.00	0.10	0.62
Lukoil Oil Company	LUKOY	Н	49.05	850	42,000	135.00	0.05	0.40
Gazprom (50%)	OGZPY	В	17.69	2,940	52,000	64.00	0.06	0.32
Total or Median					291,000		0.06	0.62
U.S. Independent								
Anadarko Petroleum Corp.	APC	Н	43.96	460	20,200	70.00	0.32	0.75
Occidental Petroleum Corp.	OXY	Н	58.72	812	47,700	89.00	0.07	0.68
XTO Energy Inc.	XTO	Н	33.08	577	19,090	60.00	0.25	0.66
Chesapeake Energy Corp.	CHK		20.74	575	11,930	46.00	0.35	0.64
EOG Resources	EOG	В	61.97	250	15,500	110.00	0.08	0.60
Devon Energy Corporation	DVN	В	48.81	444	21,700	116.00	0.14	0.50
Total or Median					136,100		0.20	0.65
Canada								
Imperial Oil Limited (30%)	IMO	Н	37.32	262	9,760	48.00	0.05	0.79
Encana Corporation	ECA	В	46.07	751	34,600	75.00	0.18	0.68
Canadian Natural Resources	CNQ	Н	45.34	541	24,500	85.00	0.20	0.62
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	В	23.35	482	11,250	42.00	0.05	0.58
Suncor Energy pro forma	SU	Н	26.17	1,563	40,890	52.80	0.15	0.57
Petro-Canada (to be SU@1.28)	PCZ	Н	32.17					
Total or Median					121,000		0.15	0.62
McDep Ratio = Market cap and Deb	to n resent	value	of oil and o	as and oth	er businesses			
Estimated present value presumes a l						ras \$10 a r	million btu	



Table 3 McDep Energy Portfolio								
							Value Multiples and Distribution Yield	
			Price	Adjustd				Divd or
	Symbol/Ra		(US\$/sh)	Resrvs/	PV/	EV/		Distrib
	B =		13-Apr	Prod	Ebitda	Ebitda	P/E	NTM
	H = I	Hold	2009	NTM	NTM	NTM	NTM	(%)
U.S. Integrated								
Exxon Mobil Corporation	XOM	В	68.02	12.0	10.2	7.9	16	2.4
Chevron Corporation	CVX	Н	67.98	10.1	10.1	7.4	16	3.8
ConocoPhillips	COP	В	40.06	10.6	10.7	5.6	11	4.7
Marathon Oil Corporation	MRO	Н	28.85	8.5	7.7	4.9	11	3.3
Total or Median	WIKO	11	20.03	10.3	10.1	6.5	14	3.6
Total of Median				10.5	10.1	0.5	14	
Europe								-
BG Group plc	BRGXF		15.75	7.4	9.5	8.1	16	1.1
BP plc	BP	Н	39.92	9.8	9.5	6.1	11	8.4
Total S.A.	TOT	В	49.51	9.3	9.1	5.5	12	6.2
StatoilHydro ASA (33%)	STO	В	18.22	7.5	7.7	4.7	14	6.1
Royal Dutch Shell plc	RDS-A	Н	43.55	7.6	7.9	4.3	9	7.7
Total or Median				7.6	9.1	5.5	12	6.2
Brazil/China/Russia	DDD		25.00	10.2	10.0	0.2	21	2.4
Petrobras	PBR	TT	35.90	10.2	12.2	9.2	21	2.4
CNOOC Limited (34%)	CEO	Н	109.08	7.6	7.9	6.4	13	4.7
PetroChina Company Ltd (14%)	PTR	В	87.61	14.0	9.5	5.9	18	4.7
Lukoil Oil Company	LUKOY	Н	49.05	16.7	11.3	4.5	10	2.3
Gazprom (50%)	OGZPY	В	17.69	24.6	7.5	2.4	3	1.8
Total or Median				14.0	9.5	5.9	13	2.4
U.S. Independent								
XTO Energy Inc.	XTO	Н	33.08	11.9	15.7	10.4	17	1.5
Chesapeake Energy Corp.	СНК		20.74	11.5	15.7	10.1	86	1.4
Anadarko Petroleum Corp.	APC	Н	43.96	9.3	11.3	8.4		1.6
EOG Resources	EOG	В	61.97	10.0	13.5	8.0	76	0.9
Occidental Petroleum Corp.	OXY	Н	58.72	11.4	9.8	6.7	16	2.2
Devon Energy Corporation	DVN	В	48.81	8.8	12.2	6.1	31	1.3
Total or Median				10.7	12.8	8.2	31	1.5
Canada								
Imperial Oil Limited (30%)	IMO	Н	37.32	19.1	15.1	11.9	22	0.9
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	В	23.35	23.2	19.0	11.0	19	2.1
Encana Corporation	ECA	В	46.07	9.1	12.6	8.6	47	3.5
Canadian Natural Resources	CNQ	Н	45.34	8.0	13.7	8.5	20	0.7
Suncor Energy pro forma	SU	Н	26.17	-	13.1	7.5	19	0.6
Petro-Canada (to be SU@1.28) PCZ H 32.17								
Total or Median 9.1 13.7 8.6 20					0.9			
EV = Enterprise Value = Market Cap and Debt; Ebitda = Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation								
and amortization; NTM = Next Twelve N								
Earnings; PV = Present Value of oil and				010, F/E –	- SIOCK FIIC	C 10		
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