

Analysis of Oil & Gas Stocks July 9, 2010

Petrohawk Early in Haynesville

Symbol	НК	Ebitda Next Twelve Months ending 6/30/11 (US\$mm)	894
Rating		North American Natural Gas/Ebitda (%)	94
Price (\$/sh)	17.70	Natural Gas and Oil Production/Ebitda (%)	100
Pricing Date	7/8/10	Adjusted Reserves/Production NTM	7.1
Shares (mm)	303	EV/Ebitda	9.1
Market Capitalization (\$mm)	5,360	PV/Ebitda	8.5
Debt (\$mm)	2,740	Undeveloped Reserves (%)	67
Enterprise Value (EV) (\$mm)	8,100	Natural Gas and Oil Ebitda (\$/boe)	20.80
Present Value (PV) (\$mm)	7,590	Present Value Proven Reserves(\$/boe)	16.60
Net Present Value (\$/share)	16	Oil and Gas Ebitda Margin (%)	68
Debt/Present Value	0.36	Earnings Next Twelve Months (US\$/sh)	0.47
McDep Ratio - EV/PV	1.07	Price/Earnings Next Twelve Months	38
Dividend Yield (%/year)	0.0	Indicated Annual Dividend (US\$/sh)	0.00
Note: Estimated cash flow ar	nd earnings tied to or	ne-year futures prices for oil and natural gas.	
Reported results may v	ary widely from estin	nates. Estimated present value per share revised only infreq	uently.
Estimated present valu	e presumes a long-te	rm price for oil of US\$75 a barrel and natural gas, \$8 a million	btu.

Summary and Recommendation

Small (mid) cap independent producer Petrohawk Energy Corp. (HK) offers a concentrated investment in the new Haynesville Shale natural gas field in Louisiana. Though McDep Ratio is on the high end at 1.07, it is down from 1.25 when we began coverage in April. The resource potential is great as HK thinks Haynesville may be the eighth largest oil and gas field in the world (see slide on page 2). The company's Haynesville volume jumped to 400 million cubic feet equivalent daily (Mmcfe/d) in just two years (see slide on page 3). With current stock price near NPV, investors are paying for no more than currently proven reserves and the near-term level of operations (see table Functional Cash Flow and Present Value on page 3). Nonetheless, further rapid growth appears likely beyond 700 Mmcfe/d we project from Haynesville and other fields for the next few quarters (see table Next Twelve Months Operating and Financial Estimates on page 4). There are caveats to growth expectations. Moderately high debt presents some risk to the rate of expansion. Moreover, natural gas price remains below its 200-day or 40-week average as we await a resumption of an uptrend. Also, Petrohawk stock has been in a downtrend with current price at the lowest ratio to 200-day average of any stock in our Income and Small Cap coverage. Yet, when Petrohawk introduced investors to the Haynesville Shale in the second quarter of 2008, it electrified the market with a stock price climb to \$48 from \$20 a share in three months. That move may repeat itself, but more gradually, over the next few years. We see favorable prospects for Petrohawk and its peers (see <u>Tables 1-3</u> on pages 5-7).

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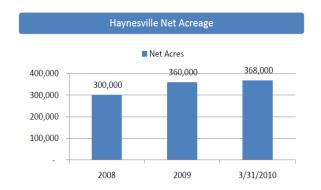
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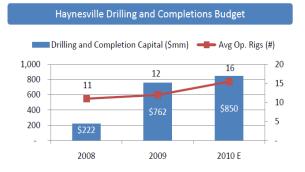


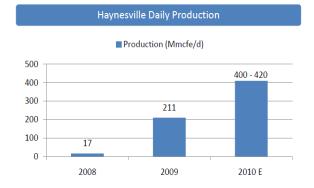
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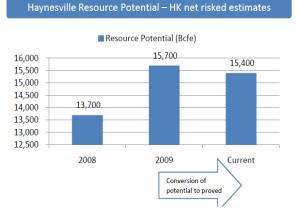
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Haynesville: A Stable Asset for HK









Petrohaw	k Energy Cor	poration			
Functional Ca	sh Flow and P	resent Valu	e		
				Present	
	NTM Ebitda	Adjusted	PV/	Value	
	(US\$mm)	<u>R/P</u>	<u>Ebitda</u>	(US\$mm)	
North American Natural Gas	842	7.2	8.7	7,290	96%
Oil	52	5.1	5.8	300	4%
	894	7.1	8.5	7,590	100%
Debt (US\$mm)					2,740
Net Present Value (US\$mm)					4,850
Shares (mm)					303
Net Present Value - Standard Estimate (US\$/sh)					16
NPV Approximation by Cash Flow Multiple Deper	nding on Rese	rve Life (US	\$/sh)		17



Petrohawk Energy Corporation												
	Next Tv	velve Mon	ths Operat	ing and F	inancial Est	imates						
									Next			
									Twelve			
	Q4	Q1	Q2E	Q3E	Q4E	Year	Q1E	Q2E	Months			
	12/31/09	3/31/10	6/30/10	9/30/10	12/31/10	2010	3/31/11	6/30/11	6/30/11			
Volume												
Natural Gas (mmcfd)	576	609	600	650	700	640	700	700	687			
Oil (mbd)	3.4	2.7	2.6	2.8	3.0	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.9			
Total (mb)	9.1	9.4	9.3	10.2	11.0	40	10.8	10.9	43			
Total (mbd)	99	104	103	111	120	0.1	120	120	118			
Price												
Henry Hub (\$/mmbtu)	4.16	5.32	4.09	4.78	5.13	4.83	5.35	5.12	5.09			
Differential (\$/mmbtu)	0.08	0.17	0.13	0.15	0.16	0.14	0.17	0.16	0.16			
Company (\$/mcf)	4.08	5.15	3.96	4.62	4.96	4.69	5.18	4.95	4.93			
WTI Cushing (\$/bbl)	76.09	78.67	77.70	71.90	73.30	75.40	74.65	75.73	73.90			
Differential	3.44	3.38	3.34	3.09	3.15	3.38	3.21	3.26	3.15			
Company (\$/bbl)	72.65	75.29	74.36	68.81	70.15	72.02	71.44	72.47	70.74			
Total (\$/bbl)	26.14	32.04	25.04	28.77	30.80	29.22	32.08	30.79	30.63			
Revenue (\$mm)												
Natural Gas	216	282	216	276	320	1,095	326	316	1,238			
Oil	23	18	18	18	19	73	19	20	76			
Total	239	300	234	294	339	1,167	345	335	1,314			
Expense												
Lease operating	24	20							-			
Production taxes	18	13							-			
General and administrative	25	33							-			
Total	67	66	77	97	105	345	107	111	420			
Ebitda	172	234	157	197	234	822	238	225	894			
Deprec., Deplet., & Amort.	106	106	106	106	106	424	106	106	424			
Other	(48)	5				5						
Ebit	114	124	51	91	128	393	132	119	470			
Interest	58	63	63	63	63	252	63	63	252			
Ebt	56	61	(12)	28	65	141	69	56	218			
Income Tax	20	21	(4)	10	23	49	24	19	76			
Net Income (\$mm)	36	39	(8)	18	42	92	45	36	142			
Per Share (\$)	0.12	0.13	(0.03)	0.06	0.14	0.30	0.15	0.12	0.47			
Shares (millions)	302	303	303	303	303	303	303	303	303			
Ebitda Margin	72%	78%	67%	67%	69%	70%	69%	67%	68%			
Tax rate	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%			



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						Present	Value			
			Price			by Segm	ent (%)			
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	B =		8-Jul	Market	Value	Natural	Oil	NTM	Yield	McDep
	CB (see be	low)	2010	Cap	(\$mm)	Gas	Prod'n	(\$/un)	(%)	Ratio
Canadian Income Trusts (US\$)										
Peyto Energy Trust	PEYUF		14.46	1.24	2,160	76	24	1.35	9.3	0.97
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		9.81	1.45	4,100	39	61	0.79	8.0	0.97
Penn West Energy Trust	PWE		19.66	1.39	11,700	23	77	1.69	8.6	0.89
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		22.07	1.22	4,800	42	58	2.03	9.2	0.77
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	СВ	26.03	1.11	13,900	72	100	1.88	7.2	0.71
Total or Median	COSWI	СБ	20.03	1.11	36,700		100	1.00	1.2	0.89
Total of Median					30,700					0.09
Small Cap Independent Producers										
Petrohawk Energy Corporation	HK		17.70	1.51	8,100	96	4	-	-	1.07
Range Resources	RRC		41.90	1.27	8,540	95	5	0.08	0.2	1.04
Denbury Resources Inc.	DNR		14.98	1.58	9,210	16	84	-	-	1.00
Cimarex Energy Company	XEC	В	74.79	1.10	7,010	71	29	0.32	0.4	1.00
Ultra Petroleum	UPL		46.66	1.17	7,940	94	6	-	-	0.90
Berry Petroleum Company	BRY		27.58	1.76	2,480	31	69	0.30	1.1	0.87
Whiting Petroleum Corporation	WLL		79.78	1.25	5,630	13	87	-	-	0.83
Birchcliff Energy Ltd. (US\$)	BIREF	В	9.65	1.20	1,470	65	35	-	-	0.73
Total or Median					50,400					0.95
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Top Line Cash Payers	CDD		40.00	1.00	720	50	50	2.22		1 11
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		49.99	1.00	730	50	50	3.32	6.6	1.11
Permian Basin RT	PBT		18.70	1.00	870	38	62	1.14	6.1	1.04
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT	D	34.40	1.00	210	75	25	2.26	6.6	1.01
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP	В	25.71	1.02	780	71	29	1.70	6.6	0.95
Freehold Royalty Trust (US\$) Total or Median	FRHLF		16.00	1.08	1,010 3,600	25	75	1.58	9.9	0.95 1.01
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Bottom Line Cash Payers										
Linn Energy, LLC	LINE		27.72	1.43	5,700	42	58	2.52	9.1	1.20
Legacy Reserves L.P.	LGCY		23.89	1.37	1,280	16	84	2.08	8.7	1.13
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	25.29	1.00	1,180	100	-	1.37	5.4	1.10
Encore Energy Partners, L.P. (52%)			18.05	1.32	560	23	77	2.00	11.1	1.05
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust	HGT	В	19.70	1.00	790	90	10	1.57	7.9	0.94
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		43.81	1.00	82	75	25	3.64	8.3	0.92
Total or Median					9,600					1.07
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Composite (excl COSWF)					06 200	- 1	10			0.05
Enterprise Value Weighting					86,300	54	46			0.95
Equal Weighting						55	45			0.97
Equal Weighted Buys						69	31			0.94
CB=Contrarian Buy, Stock Price ap	parently in	dov	vntrend co	mpared to	200-dav ave	rage.				
McDep Ratio = \mathbf{M} arket \mathbf{c} ap and $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{e}$										
Present Value presumes long-term										



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			Price			Net		
			(\$/sh)		Market	Present	Debt/	
	Symbol/		8-Jul	Shares	Cap	Value	Present	$McDe_{I}$
	Ra	ting	2010	(mm)	(\$mm)	(\$/un)	Value	Ratio
Canadian Income Trusts (US\$)								
Peyto Energy Trust	PEYUF		14.46	120.5	1,740	15.00	0.19	0.9
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		9.81	290.0	2,840	11.00	0.19	0.92
Penn West Energy Trust	PWE		19.66	428.3	8,420	23.00	0.25	0.92
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		22.07	178.0	3,930	30.00	0.23	0.83
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	СВ	26.03	484.0	12,600	38.00	0.14	0.71
Total or Median	COSWI	СБ	20.03	707.0	29,500	30.00	0.19	0.89
Total of Mealan					27,300		0.17	0.07
Small Cap Independent Producers								
Petrohawk Energy Corporation	HK		17.70	303.0	5,360	16.00	0.36	1.07
Range Resources	RRC		41.90	160.0	6,700	40.00	0.22	1.04
Denbury Resources Inc.	DNR		14.98	390.0	5,840	15.00	0.37	1.00
Cimarex Energy Company	XEC	В	74.79	85.4	6,390	75.00	0.09	1.00
Ultra Petroleum	UPL		46.66	154.0	6,780	50.00	0.13	0.90
Berry Petroleum Company	BRY		27.58	51.0	1,410	35.00	0.37	0.87
Whiting Petroleum Corporation	WLL		79.78	59.2	4,500	95.00	0.17	0.83
Birchcliff Energy Ltd. (US\$)	BIREF	В	9.65	127.0	1,230	14.00	0.12	0.73
Total or Median					38,210		0.20	0.95
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Top Line Cash Payers Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		49.99	14.6	730	45.00	_	1.11
Permian Basin RT	PBT		18.70	46.6	870	18.00	-	1.04
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		34.40	6.0	210	34.00		1.01
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP	В	25.71	29.8	770	27.00	0.02	0.95
Freehold Royalty Trust (US\$)	FRHLF	Ь	16.00	58.4	930	17.00	0.02	0.95
Total or Median	TRUILA		10.00	50.4	3,510	17.00	0.07	1.01
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Bottom Line Cash Payers								
Linn Energy, LLC	LINE		27.72	144.0	3,990	21.00	0.36	1.20
Legacy Reserves L.P.	LGCY		23.89	39.2	940	20.00	0.31	1.13
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	25.29	46.6	1,180	23.00	-	1.10
Encore Energy Partners, L.P. (52%)	ENP		18.05	23.4	420	17.00	0.26	1.05
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust	HGT	В	19.70	40.0	790	21.00	-	0.94
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		43.81	1.9	82	48.00	-	0.92
Total or Median					7,400			1.07
B=Buy; CB=Contrarian Buy, Stock Price	apparenth	v in d	owntrend	compared	to 200-day	average		
McDep Ratio = \mathbf{M} arket \mathbf{c} ap and \mathbf{D} ebt to				-	-			
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Canadian Income Trusts (US\$)								
Peyto Energy Trust	PEYUF		14.46		1.04	23.1	11.6	11.
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	СВ	26.03		0.68	31.0	13.8	9.
Penn West Energy Trust	PWE	СБ	19.66		0.69	9.9	9.4	8.
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		9.81		0.60	9.9	8.4	7.
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		22.07		0.61	9.7	9.0	7.
Median	Litt		22.07		0.01	9.9	9.4	8.4
Small Cap Independent Producers								
Range Resources	RRC		41.90		_	12.4	11.5	11.
Birchcliff Energy Ltd. (US\$)	BIREF	В	9.65			22.4	15.0	10.
Ultra Petroleum	UPL	Б	46.66		_	14.1	11.9	10.
Denbury Resources Inc.	DNR		14.98		-	11.3	9.4	9.
Petrohawk Energy Corporation	HK		17.70		_	7.1	8.5	9.
Berry Petroleum Company	BRY		27.58		_	13.1	8.3	7.
Whiting Petroleum Corporation	WLL		79.78		_	10.3	8.0	6
Cimarex Energy Company	XEC	В	74.79		_	6.4	5.8	5.
Median	1250		,,			11.9	8.9	9.
Top Line Cash Payers								
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		49.99	100	1.00	9.1	13.6	15.
Permian Basin RT	PBT		18.70	42	0.89	13.3	14.0	14.
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		34.40	84	0.96	13.6	14.4	14.
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP	В	25.71	77	0.91	7.5	14.5	13.
Freehold Royalty Trust (US\$)	FRHLF	Б	16.00	71	0.88	8.6	9.5	9.
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Bottom Line Cash Payers								
Linn Energy, LLC	LINE		27.72		1.63	20.0	13.5	16.
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	25.29		0.79	14.8	13.2	14.
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Mesa Royalty Trust	MTR		43.81		0.91	9.2	12.0	11.
Encore Energy Partners, L.P.	ENP		18.05		1.19	12.9	10.1	10.
Legacy Reserves L.P.	LGCY		23.89		0.96	12.0	9.2	10.
Median			_20.07		5.75	12.6	12.0	11.
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