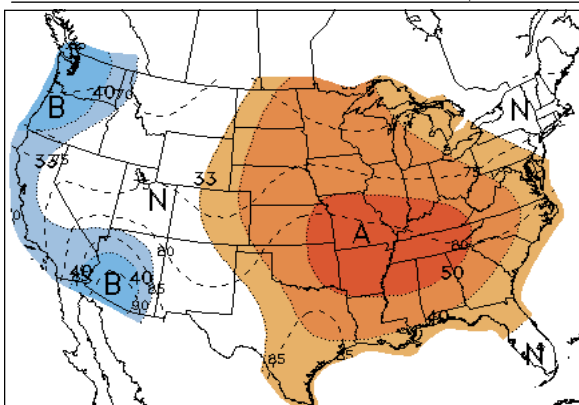


## NYMEX Commodities

	07/21	07/14	Δ	Year Ago
Crude Oil, Sept. 2010	\$76.56	\$77.45	(\$0.89)	\$64.72
Natural Gas, Aug. 2010	\$4.31	\$4.31	\$0.00	\$3.71
Gas (RBOB), Aug. 2010	\$2.07	\$2.07	\$0.00	\$1.81
Heating Oil, Aug. 2010	\$1.99	\$2.04	(\$0.05)	\$1.69

## Platts-ICE Forward Curve, Electricity

Prompt: Aug 2010	07/21	07/14	Δ	Year Ago
Mass. Hub	\$64.00	\$65.50	(\$1.50)	\$41.75
N.Y. Zone G	\$72.75	\$74.75	(\$2.00)	\$50.50
PJM West	\$66.25	\$71.00	(\$4.75)	\$46.75
ERCOT	\$53.25	\$50.50	\$2.75	\$47.00



NOAA 6 to 10 Day Outlook: Color indicates the probability of forecasted temperatures being above or below a historical average for the period.

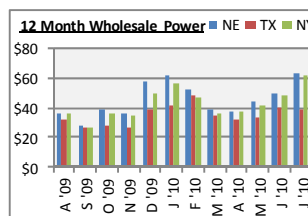
## NYMEX Natural Gas Strip Averages

	07/21	07/14	Δ
Q3'10	\$4.52	\$4.34	\$0.18
Summer '10	\$4.51	\$4.31	\$0.19
Winter '10-'11	\$5.20	\$5.12	\$0.08
Balance 2010	\$4.79	\$4.65	\$0.14
Cal. Yr. 2011	\$5.25	\$5.22	\$0.03
Cal. Yr. 2012	\$5.59	\$5.60	(\$0.01)
12 Months	\$4.93	\$4.84	\$0.09
24 Months	\$5.19	\$5.14	\$0.05
36 Months	\$5.36	\$5.34	\$0.02

## Natural Gas Advances on Supply Report, Storm Threat

Natural gas futures rose today as a government report showed a smaller than average U.S. stockpile gain last week, and a tropical depression has formed in the Atlantic about 405 miles east-southeast of Key Largo, Florida, according to a statement released by the National Hurricane Center. Supplies gained 51 billion cubic feet, below the five-year average gain of 64 billion, an Energy Department report today showed. Analysts had expected a gain of 50 billion. Natural gas for August delivery rose 8.9 cents, or 2 percent, to \$4.602 per mmBtu at 11:44 a.m. on the NYMEX. Gas was trading at \$4.645 before the report was released at 10:30 a.m. This hurricane season, estimated by the government to be the most active since 2005, may cut gas production in the Gulf of Mexico by 166 billion cubic feet through November, according to

Energy Department estimates released on July 7. Hurricane Alex, the earliest Atlantic hurricane since 1995, cut off as much as 919 million cubic feet of daily production last month in the Gulf of Mexico, about 15 percent of regional output, before it came ashore in Mexico. Temperatures in the U.S. East Coast and Midwest will be above normal from July 27 to July 31. About 23 percent of electricity is generated using natural gas. Patriot Energy Group encourages all clients to assess their exposure to energy



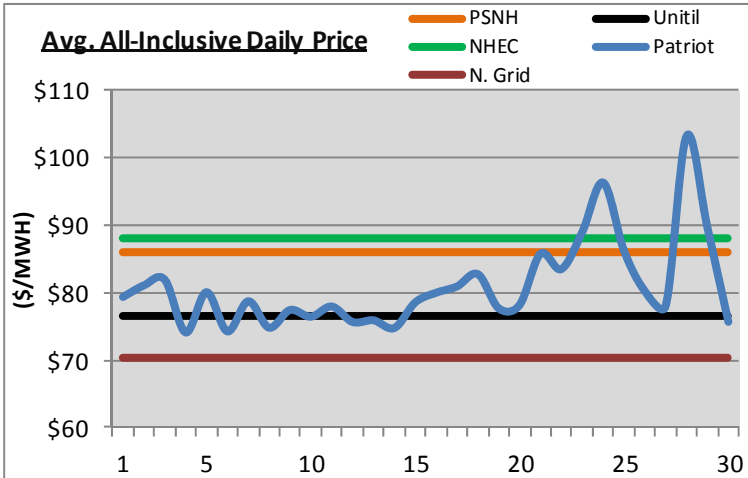
markets to determine if now is an opportune time to extend contracts or develop forward looking strategies given unique business circumstances. Regardless of one's view on whether energy prices will rise or fall, all should determine if there is an opportunity to save money to mitigate risk. Contact your Account Representative to explore all current opportunities.

## Exxon, Shell Plan \$1 Billion Oil-Capture System for Blowouts

Exxon Mobil Corp., Royal Dutch Shell Plc and two other oil companies will spend \$1 billion to research and build a containment system to handle deep-water oil spills in the Gulf of Mexico. Exxon, Shell, Chevron Corp. and ConocoPhillips will each give \$250 million to establish a non-profit organization, the Marine Well Containment Co., to produce and manage the equipment. The system will be designed and built over the next 12 to 18 months to handle spills of 100,000 barrels a day in waters as deep as 10,000 feet, the companies said in a statement yesterday. The oil industry has been criticized by lawmakers in the U.S. for being unprepared to deal with deep-water accidents, following the explosion of BP Plc's Macondo well in the Gulf of Mexico on April 20. The blast killed 11 people, caused the worst oil spill in U.S. history and resulted in a six-month ban on deepwater drilling in the Gulf. "For an incident in

deeper waters with higher production levels, the response capability of containment and spill response is proven by this incident to be inadequate," Jim Mulva, chief executive officer of Houston-based ConocoPhillips, said in an interview yesterday. The companies have been working with the government for six weeks on the project, Mulva said. Early designs are for a containment system with a tight seal that will fit over a well near the seabed and channel oil and gas through pipes leading to vessels at the surface that will collect and store the fuel. The system will be able to mobilize in 24 hours. "If we all do our jobs properly, this system will never be used," Rex Tillerson, CEO of Exxon Mobil, said in the statement. "The extensive experience of industry shows that when the focus remains on safe operations and risk management, tragic incidents like the one we are witnessing in the Gulf of Mexico today should not occur."

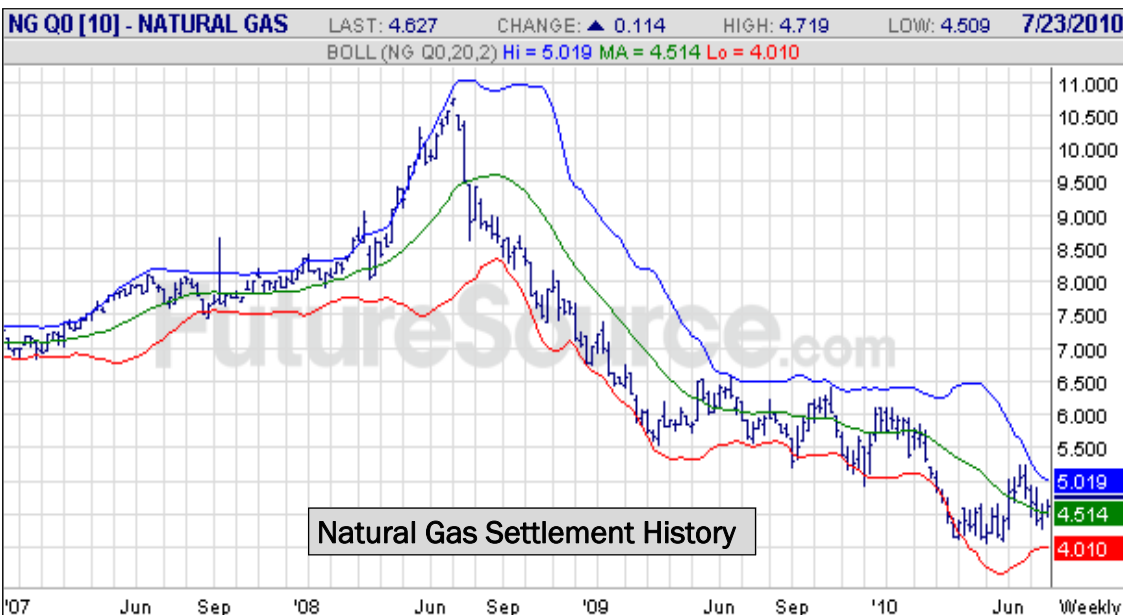
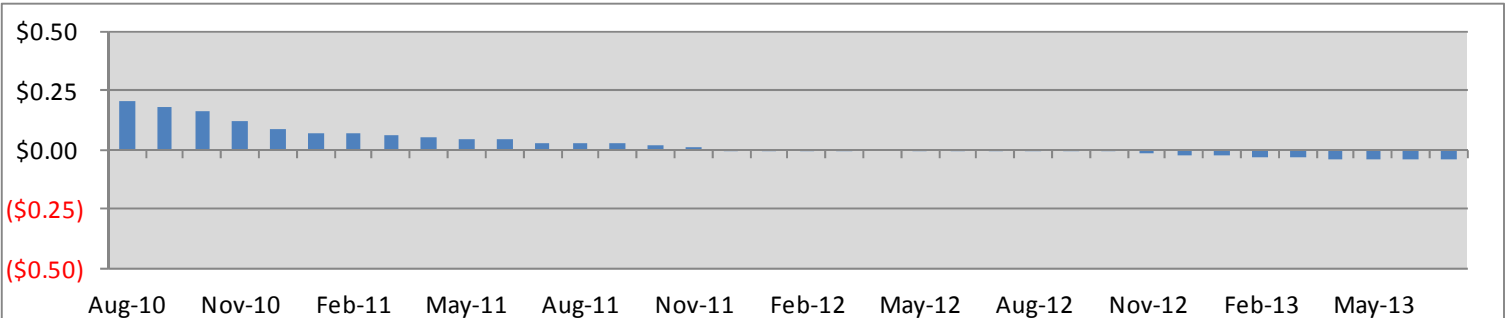
## New Hampshire - June Wholesale Electricity Tracker



As anticipated, the cost of wholesale electricity rose in June as warm summer weather arrived. Elevated temperatures and higher market prices for natural gas led to a 16 percent increase from the May rate settlement. Given the increase, we estimate that the average customer "floating" on the market paid approximately 1 percent more on their electric supply cost last month in comparison to the utilities hedged basic service costs. The NOAA is predicting an equal chance of above or below average temperatures for the Northeast in July. Markets will keep an eye on summer heat, which will spur additional gas demand for electricity generation for air conditioning, and a busy hurricane season could threaten natural gas supplies in the Gulf of Mexico. Both could contribute to higher wholesale electricity costs and market volatility.

## NYMEX Natural Gas Week-to-Week Price Change

Prices from NYMEX close 07/14 to NYMEX close on 07/21



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