



## **T. Boone Pickens Media Coverage 8.25.11 – 8.29.11**

### **Total of 3 Placements**

- Print: 1 • Blog/Online: 2

### **Coverage Summary**

[Forbes.com](#) has a guest article regarding the potential for natural gas to transform America's economy, environment, and energy future. The author states that the Pickens Plan has many merits that need to be taken seriously.

The Houston Chronicle has an editorial regarding new estimates for the Marcellus Shale indicating more gas than previously anticipated. The editorial states that the revised estimates enhance the strong case for increased use of natural gas as advocated by Pickens.

### **Highlighted Placements (Full Articles Below)**

- Guest Post: Natural Gas – Forbes.com – 8/29/11

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/kellyphillipserb/2011/08/29/guest-post-natural-gas/>

- Estimates of natural gas in NE shale formation make a clear policy point – Houston Chronicle – 8/27/11 <http://www.chron.com/opinion/editorials/article/Estimates-of-natural-gas-in-NE-shale-formation-2143467.php>

### **Blog/Online Placements (Full Articles Below)**

- Equity Research on Clean Energy Fuels Corp. and National Grid plc - Gas Utilities Push for NAT GAS Act – Press Release – 8/29/11 [http://www.marketwatch.com/story/equity-research-on-clean-energy-fuels-corp-and-national-grid-plc-gas-utilities-push-for-nat-gas-act-2011-08-29?reflink=MW\\_news\\_stmp](http://www.marketwatch.com/story/equity-research-on-clean-energy-fuels-corp-and-national-grid-plc-gas-utilities-push-for-nat-gas-act-2011-08-29?reflink=MW_news_stmp)

## **HIGHLIGHTED COVERAGE**

### **Guest Post: Natural Gas – Forbes.com – 8/29/11**

Guest post by Ed Leet:

My family owns property in Wise County Texas that has two active natural gas wells on our property. I have been following the shale gas boom for some time now and have come to the conclusion that our government is turning a blind eye to this resource. Natural gas is available now and it is American. A quite revolution is taking place and has been for some time. Nat Gas will be a major player in the future. The problem is our government needs to endorse Nat Gas today, not tomorrow or sometime later.

The technology use to extract the gas from shale is advancing daily. The technology needed to use natural gas a transportation fuel has been around for many years and is being used around the world and in the United States by a very limited group.

Jobs are being created in the states located above the numerous American shale deposits. Reference the Marcellus Shale, The Bakken Shale, The Huron Shale, The Eagleford Shale and the Barnett Shale just to name a few. The Huron Shale is located mostly in Ohio, a state that needs jobs. Also, Michigan has an enormous shale deposit as well. Check out the Marcellus Shale in Pennsylvania and the jobs being created there. The opportunity to create jobs through the endorsement of shale gas is available right now in many areas all across America.

T. Boone Pickens's plan has a lot of merits, merits that need to be taken seriously. Using natural gas has a huge upside from the lower carbon emissions, limiting the amount of oil we buy from countries that do not like us and most of all jobs will be created from building Nat Gas refueling station across the country and from new orders for Nat Gas powered vehicles.

The residual effect from endorsing Nat Gas a transportation fuel will be enormous if nothing more than a feel good commitment to wean the US from foreign oil and cut carbon emission created here in the USA.

I honestly believe our next "big idea" will be in energy. Maybe Nat Gas will not solve all of our problems with job growth and dependency on foreign oil but Nat Gas will make a big hit.

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Ed Leet is a 57 year old male, educated, working in the construction industry and married with two grown children. His wife is a teacher, his daughter is a teacher and his son who has an English degree is teaching English in South Korea (he can not find work in the states). They live in Memphis, TN.

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This guest post was submitted in response to my query about how the best way to deal with the current economic situation. This post does not necessarily reflect my thoughts and feelings nor do they represent any views held by Forbes.

Your comments and reactions are, of course, appreciated. Just play nice. I have standards. And I don't want to have to delete you.

### **Estimates of natural gas in NE shale formation make a clear policy point – Houston Chronicle – 8/27/11**

Editorial

These are, to say the least, invigorating times for the oil and gas industry - especially natural gas. Each week seems to bring fresh news of greatly expanded domestic supplies of gas, the cleanest-burning of the carbon fuels, and surely the nation's best hope for building an environmentally friendly bridge to a green, sustainable energy future.

This past week's news, reported by the Chronicle's Tom Fowler ("Much more natural gas than expected," Page D1, Thursday) was little short of jaw-dropping. The U.S. Geological Survey, the governmental authority in these matters, has released a revised assessment of the natural gas resources in the Marcellus shale formation in the Northeast part of the country, and it's a stunner - up from an estimated 2 trillion cubic feet in 2002 to 84 trillion cubic feet - a jump of 4,200 percent. Oh, yes, and there's also a large belt of shale known as the Utica shale that may offer even greater promise for development than the Marcellus. The Utica shale runs from the Great Lakes region and Canada all the way to Tennessee.

The dramatic upward revision by the respected USGS owes mostly to improved technology - horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing, or fracking - that has made these countless additional energy molecules accessible and economic to mine.

Good news such as this really does throw into a cocked hat the stale, largely discredited argument that this country is a petroleum pauper. It is no such thing. The technical skills and exploratory drive of thousands of talented people, many of them Houstonians, have brought about this remarkable change in our circumstances.

Ironically, one of the major roadblocks to full development of this resource is the potential glut of gas that has depressed prices for some time now. It's somewhat reminiscent of the early oil boom days in Texas that necessitated creation of the Texas Railroad Commission to keep order in the industry. Fortunately, the railroad commission is already proactive in monitoring activity in the major shale oil and gas plays across our state, but with the rapid development of resources outside of Texas, coordination and oversight of overall production would seem sensible steps to keep the markets orderly and the gas flowing.

Indeed, the Marcellus revision only adds to the strong case building for greatly enhanced use of natural gas advocated by independent oilman and entrepreneur T. Boone Pickens and others, and bolstered by massive potential additional sources across Texas, into Arkansas and in Colorado. And that does not begin to include the new oil discoveries in the Gulf of Mexico and the widely recognized potential offshore California, the East Coast and across Alaska.

The Obama administration needs to pay serious attention to the opportunities offered the nation by the now blindingly obvious potential of domestic gas. Good-paying jobs, improvements in our balance of payments deficits, more tax revenues for the states and federal government, insulation from the whims of despotic oil dictators such as Hugo Chavez and Moammar Gadhafi.

It's all there for the taking, Mr. President. But we need leadership at the top and a well-thought-out plan to help get us there.

## **BLOG/ONLINE COVERAGE**

### **Equity Research on Clean Energy Fuels Corp. and National Grid plc - Gas Utilities Push for NAT GAS Act – Press Release – 8/29/11**

NEW YORK, NY, Aug 29, 2011 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX) -- www.shinesrooms.com has a handpicked team of market professionals with over 100 years of combined investing experience. Today they are providing members comprehensive research on the Gas Utilities industry and are offering free analytical research on Clean Energy Fuels Corp. and National Grid plc. Register with us today at [http://www.shinesrooms.com/index.php?\\_controller=RegisterMember&\\_method=index.com](http://www.shinesrooms.com/index.php?_controller=RegisterMember&_method=index.com) to have free access to these research reports.

Natural gas utilities will likely be closely eyeing the status of the National Alternative Transportation to Give Americans Solutions Act (NAT GAS Act) when Congress reconvenes next month. The bill would provide tax incentives for using natural gas as a transportation fuel. Get your free reports on Clean Energy Fuels Corp. and National Grid plc at [http://www.shinesrooms.com/index.php?\\_controller=RegisterMember&\\_method=index](http://www.shinesrooms.com/index.php?_controller=RegisterMember&_method=index). There is no commitment to join.

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National Grid plc and Clean Energy Fuels Corp. which already have natural gas refueling stations would be among the beneficiaries of the bill's passage. Clean Energy Fuels Corp. and National Grid plc reports are accessible for free by registering today at <http://www.shinesrooms.com/CleanEnergyFuelsCorp290811.pdf> or <http://www.shinesrooms.com/NationalGridplc290811.pdf>.

The bill is currently enjoying strong bipartisan support and appears to have a good chance at being passed. The bill would also create thousands of jobs at a time when they are desperately needed.

Opponents of the bill cite the environmental risks of fracking, the process by which natural gas is often obtained. Moving forward, even if the bill does not make it through Congress this go around, high gas prices may still encourage many companies, especially shipping, to convert to natural gas as the primary fuel for their vehicles.

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