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# Energy Sector **Economic Forecast**

2016 Pipeline and Gas Distribution Conference

# Industry Trends

- Shift in electricity generation from coal to natural gas
- Continued growth of generation from renewable sources
- Abundant natural gas supply will continue to drive pipeline infrastructure investments

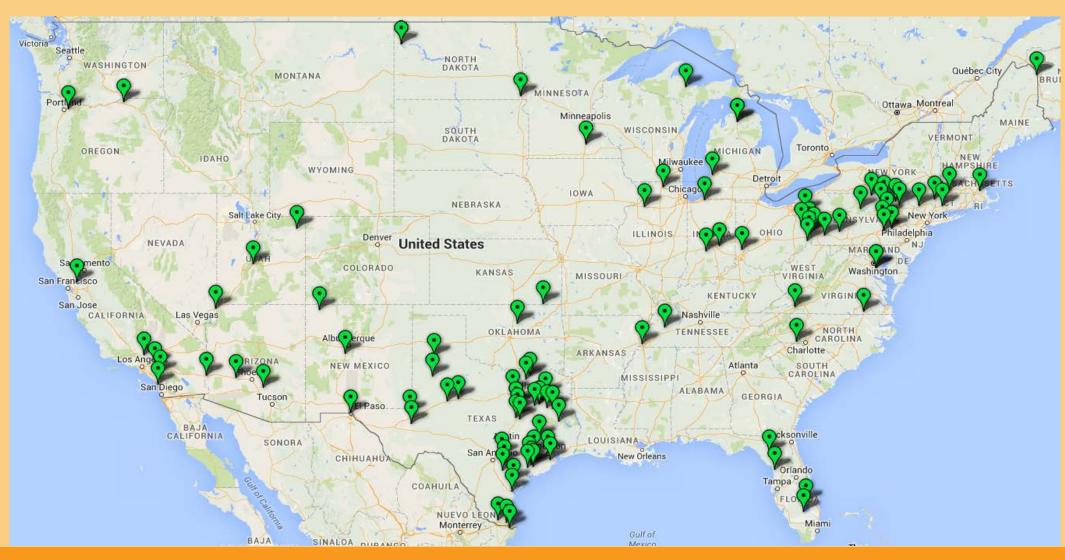
**Retiring Coal Units** 



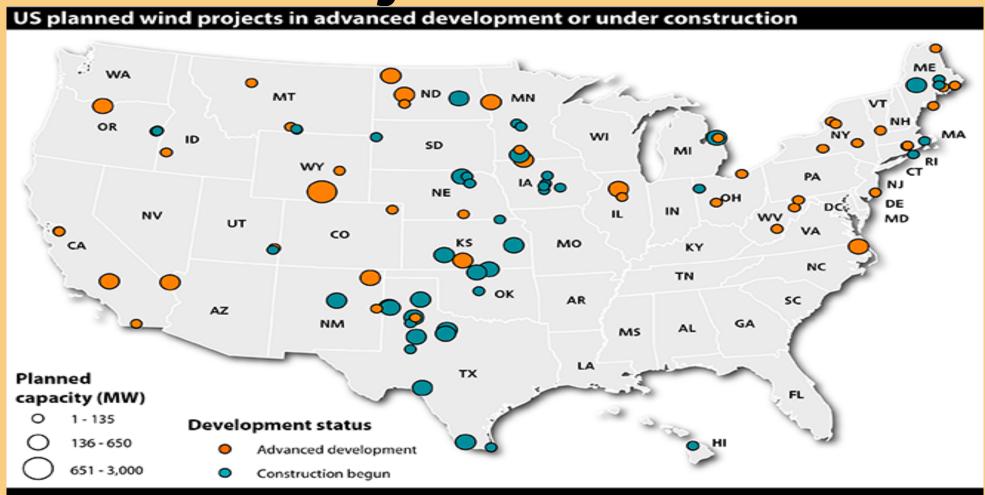
### Coal to Natural Gas Conversions



### **Planned Natural Gas Plants**



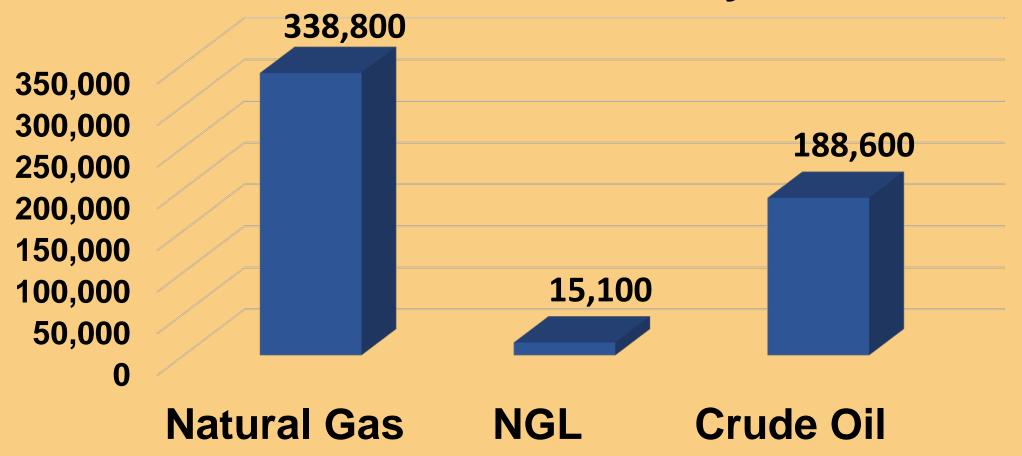
### Wind Projects 2016-2017

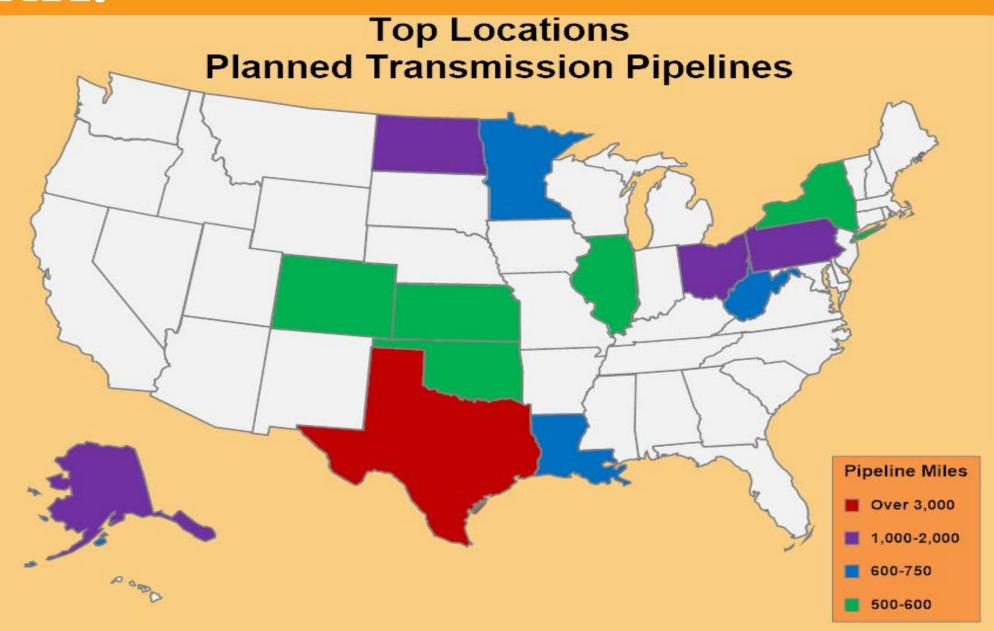


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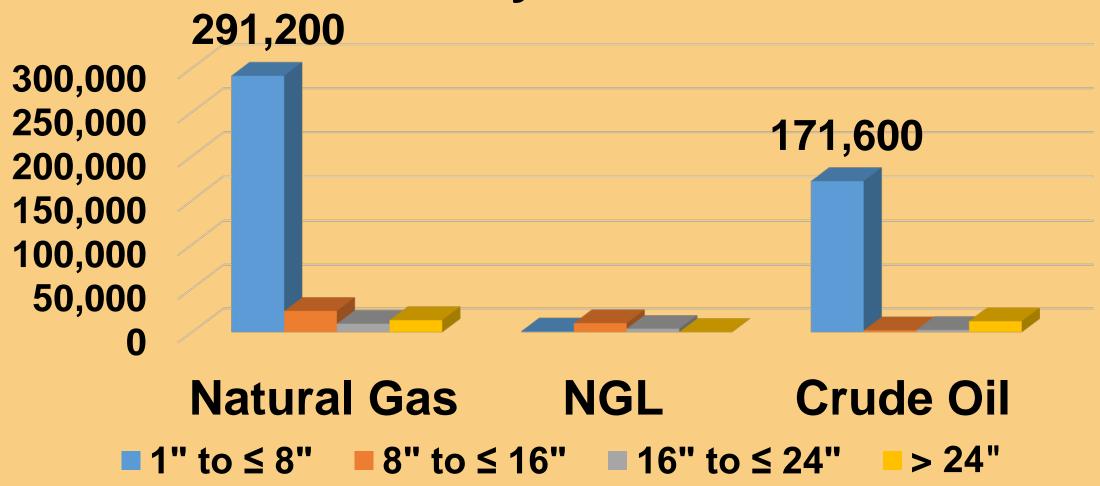
## Oil and Gas Pipelines

2014-2035: Planned Miles by Sector





# Pipeline Construction, 2014-2035: Miles by Diameter



### **Gas Distribution**

- The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety
   Administration established new regulations in 2011
   requiring every Gas Company to replace 'highest-risk pipeline infrastructure.'
- PHMSA estimates that 48,000 miles of gas distribution mains and 2.6 million miles of gas distribution service lines are in need of replacement.
- Gas Distribution companies plan Capital Expenditures totaling \$91 billion on gas infrastructure through 2019.

### **EPA Clean Power Plan**

- •Final Rule with carbon emission reduction goals released August 3, 2015.
- •On February 9, 2016, the Supreme Court stayed implementation of the Clean Power Plan pending judicial review
- States are key players moving forward