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and
Rule
14d-2(b)
of
the
Securities
Exchange
Act
of
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Subject
Company:
CNX
Gas
Corporation
Commission
File
No.
001-32723

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such
as
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and
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in
CONSOL
Energy's
consolidated
financial
statements
are
provided
in
its
quarterly
earnings

releases.

**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION:**

In connection with the proposed exchange offer to the stockholders of CNX Gas Corporation, CONSOL Energy expects has filed a registration statement on Form S-4 containing an exchange offer prospectus and related materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
**INVESTORS
AND
SECURITY
HOLDERS
OF
CNX
GAS
CORPORATION**

ARE
URGED
TO
READ
THE
EXCHANGE
OFFER
PROSPECTUS
AND
THE
OTHER
RELEVANT
MATERIALS
WHEN
THEY
BECOME
AVAILABLE
BECAUSE
THEY
WILL
CONTAIN
IMPORTANT
INFORMATION
ABOUT
THE
OFFER
AND
CONSOL
Energy.
Investors
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the
commission's
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www.sec.gov.

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CONSOL Energy's Assets
Coal Reserves

Large, contiguous blocks owned-in fee

Heat content

Location

Transportation

River transportation subsidiary

Dual rail access at several mines

Coal export terminal

Gas Company

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U.S. data from EIA, Annual Energy Outlook 2008 Early Release, years 2006 and 2030; world data from IEA, World Energy Outlook 2008
Energy Demand Today

453 QBtu

/ Year

81% Fossil Energy

703 QBtu

/ Year

82% Fossil Energy

Energy Demand 2030

124 QBtu/Year

84% Fossil Energy

101 QBtu/Year

85% Fossil Energy

+24%

+55%

Global Long-Term Demand for Energy

Source: DOE NETL

United States

World

5
Domestic Electricity Generation Forecast
AEO 08 (early release)
0
500
1,000
1,500

2,000

2,500

3,000

3,500

2004

2006

2008

2010

2012

2014

2016

2018

2020

2022

2024

2026

2028

2030

55.4%

55.4%

Petroleum

Petroleum

Coal

Coal

Natural gas

Natural gas

Renewables

Renewables

Nuclear

Nuclear

14.0%

14.0%

17.5%

17.5%

11.6%

11.6%

1.2%

1.2%

48.6%

48.6%

Source: DOE NETL

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Largest Coal Reserve Holder East of MS. River
Northern Appalachia

Reserves ~ 2.7 billion tons

Production: 52.9 million tons

Central Appalachia

Reserves ~ 800 million tons

Production: 10.7 million tons
Illinois Basin

Reserves ~ 700 million tons
PRB

Reserves ~ 300 million tons
* 2007

production
includes

1.0
million
tons

from

Emery,

UT.

Reserves

include

31

mmt

assigned

to

UT

and

129

mmt

assigned

to

Western

Canada.

Profile of CONSOL Coal*

Reserves ~ 4.5 BNt

2007 Production: 64.6 Mt

Avg. Reserve Life: 25+ years

Operating Mine Complexes: 15

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Coal Reserves Owned-in-fee ~ 77 QBtu

Advantages of ownership:

Leverage to higher pricing

Ability

to
forecast
and
control
future
costs

no
LBA
payments
Coal Reserves
Approx.
Approx.
Company
(billions of tons)
% Owned
Qbtu Owned
CONSOL Energy
4.5
70%
76.9

Peabody (excl. Patriot)
8.8
42%
70.2

Patriot Coal
1.2
55%
16.5

Foundation Coal
1.6
45%
15.1

Massey Energy
2.3
18%
10.4

Arch Coal
2.9
13%
9.0

Alpha Natural Resources
0.5
5%

0.6

Source: Company filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

QBtu calculated using an estimated Btu average that is dependent on coal basin ownership mix.

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Heating Value ~ 99% of Production is High-Btu
8,400
13,000
12,500
8,800
11,500

0
5,000
10,000
15,000
PRB
PRB
ILB
CAPP
NAPP
Btu s per pound of coal
Approx. 80% of CONSOL s coal production
Approx. 19% of CONSOL s coal production
* Remaining
1%
of
production
includes
approximately
1.0
million
tons
from
Emery,
UT.

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Close Proximity to Scrubbed Customers

By 2012, ~ 142 gigawatts

scrubbed East of MS. River

60 generating units

within 50 miles of CONSOL s

Pitt8 coal reserves

CONSOL's Assets in Appalachia

Producing Complexes: 14

Reserves: 3.5 billion tons

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Scrubber Builds Are Being Completed

Since 2006, CONSOL has signed 6 multi-year, multi-million ton agreements with domestic customers that in aggregate ~ 250 million tons of high-Btu coal

62%

28%

10%

Thru 12/31/08

2009-2010

2011+

Percentage of Gigawatts Scrubbed by Year

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NAPP Pricing Has Converged with CAPP

Source: EIA

Why the convergence?

1. Sulfur disadvantage
no longer exists
2. Stockpiles low in NAPP
3. Metallurgical customers
shopping for NAPP steam
coal for substitution

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Up Cycle Just Beginning for Steam Coal?

API #2 to ARA

\$-

\$20

\$40

\$60

\$80

\$100

\$120

\$140

Last up cycle for coal ~ 2 years

Current price ~ \$134

for 2009 delivery

API #2 to ARA (\$/metric tonne)

110

\$

130

\$

150

\$

Implied pricing of 3.4# NAPP (\$/short ton)

57

\$

72

\$

87

\$

*assumes vessel rate to ARA of \$35

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100% Ownership of Coal Export Terminal
Largest exporter of coal in the U.S.
Served by two rail lines

Norfolk Southern

CSX Transport
Capacity

Practical: 12 million tons
Export Terminal at the Port of Baltimore
Export Terminal at the Port of Baltimore
Ground storage

1.2 million tons
Coal exports

For 2007, approx. 6.9 mm tons

For 2008, up another ~25%
Countries served

Denmark, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Portugal

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Forecast: Coal Exports Up 20 million tons in 2 years

Coal Exports

69.6

57.6

49.6

0

20,000
40,000
60,000
80,000
100,000
120,000

Sources: EIA, PIRA. Estimates include steam and metallurgical coal.

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Unpriced Volumes Ability to Capitalize on Up Cycle
33.4
4.5
53.1
5.1
62.8

5.2
0
20
40
60
2009
2010
2011
Unpriced Steam Coal
Unpriced Low-Vol Met Coal
2009
2010
2011
Production Guidance
70
74
76.6
80.6
76.7
80.7
(mm of Tons)

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Appalachian Brownfield Opportunities
Potential
to
grow
Appalachian
production

through
brownfield
expansion
by
~
25
million
tons
over
next
10
years
Longwall Face Extensions
Birch
Shoemaker
Additional Longwalls

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Margin Focused and Production Disciplined
\$2.45
\$6.91
\$10
\$15
\$20

\$25
\$30
\$35
\$40
2001
2002
2003
2004
2005
2006
2007
60
64
68
72
76
80
Avg. Production Cost
Coal Margin
Coal Production
\$35.61
\$24.66
\$26.76
\$27.61
\$30.06
\$38.99
Avg. Realized Pricing
\$40.66
As of December 31, 2007

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River Transportation Subsidiary
Assets on the inland waterways of Northern Appalachia
750 Barges
25 Tow Boats
5 Harbor Boats
24+ Million tons per year capability

Alicia Dock

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Transportation Flexibility at Mines
(Millions of tons)
2006
Northern Appalachia
Production
CSX

NS
Barge
Rail-to-Barge
Enlow Fork
10.7
X
X
X
McElroy
10.5
X
Bailey
10.2
X
X
X
Loveridge
6.4
X
X
X
Robinson Run
5.7
X
X
Blacksville
5.0
X
X
X
Mine 84
3.5
X
X
Shoemaker
1.0
X
X
Central Appalachia
Buchanan (metallurgical)
5.0
X
X
Amvest (~10% metallurgical)
4.9
X
X
X
Jones Fork
3.1

X

X

Mill Creek

2.1

X

X

Southern WV Resources

1.2

X

X

Miller Creek

0.9

X

X

Amonate (metallurgical)

0.5

X

X

Western U.S.

Emery

1.1

Railroads

Truck-to-Rail

Coal Delivery Options

Unique Investment Proposition
Coal Reserves

Large, contiguous blocks owned-in fee

Location
Transportation

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