



ENERGY ASSURANCE DAILY

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Electricity

29,000 Entergy Customers Lose Power in New Orleans, Louisiana Due to Tornado

As of 10 a.m. local time, about 22,000 customers were without power in the New Orleans area, down from a peak of about 29,000, an Entergy spokesperson said. He added that the company expects the majority to be restored by afternoon although some outages could last into the night. The damage was caused by a twister which hit New Orleans at around 3:15 a.m. local time.

<http://www.newsday.com/news/nationworld/wire/sns-ap-new-orleans-tornado,0,4941034.story?coll=sns-ap-nationworld-headlines>

http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601103&sid=aF5Lz1XwvL_c&refer=us

Reuters, 12:39 February 13, 2007

Detroit Edison Preparing License Application to Construct New Nuke in Michigan

Yesterday DTE Energy Chairman and CEO Anthony F. Earley Jr. announced the company's plans for the new plant to be co-located with its current Fermi nuclear-powered unit 2 in Newport, Michigan. He said that the license application does not mean the company will actually build the new unit. Other options for new generation are also being examined.

<http://www.dteenergy.com/news/releases/newNuclearPlantOption.html>

TVA Restarts 1,113 MW Brown Ferry Nuke Unit 3 in Alabama February 13

The unit shut on February 9 due to a low water level in the reactor, and it was brought to about 20 percent capacity as of 9:30 a.m. EST today.

Bloomberg News, 09:57 February 13, 2007

TXU to Restart 565 MW Monticello Coal-fired Unit 1 in Texas February 13

TXU told Texas regulators that it planned to restart the unit, which shut on February 11 to repair a tube leak.

Reuters, 07:39 February 13, 2007

AEP to Restart 675 MW Pirkey Coal-fired Unit in Texas February 12-13

On February 12-13, AEP plans to restart the unit, which shut due to the failure of a circulating water pump.

Reuters, 07:32 February 13, 2007

Petroleum

Delaware Extends Exemption from Federal HOS Rules for Heating Fuel Deliveries Maryland's Exemption Expires, Arizona's Exemption Set to Expire Today

Delaware's exemption for hours of service (HOS) rules was set to expire at 0600 hours on February 12. The emergency waiver was extended through 0600 hours Thursday February 15 by the Delaware Energy Office and the Delaware Emergency Management Agency. Arizona's exemption for HOS rules for any vehicle supplying propane or LPG in Arizona is set to expire today, February 13. Maryland's exemption for propane and heating oil deliveries expired at 1600 hours February 11.

<http://www.npga.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=832>

Holly Board OKs Expansion at Navaho Refinery in New Mexico February 9

On February 9, Holly Corporation announced the board of directors has approved plans to expand the Navaho refinery in New Mexico from a capacity to process approximately 82,000 b/d of crude oil to approximately 100,000 b/d. This plan will install a new 15,000 b/d hydrocracker and a new 28 million standard cubic feet hydrogen plant.
http://www.hollycorp.com/press_release.cfm?id=268

Sunoco to Restart 179,000 b/d Marcus Hook Refinery in Pennsylvania February 13

The unit shut on February 12 due to a power outage. The power outage was caused by an accidental explosion at the Naamans Road substation in Claymont, Delaware around 12:10 p.m. This explosion knocked out electrical service to the neighboring Sunoco oil refinery, shutting down the plant and spewing thick black plumes of smoke into the air.

<http://www.delawareonline.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070213/NEWS/702130362/1006/NEWS>

Reuters, 09:25 February 13, 2007

Units to Restart at ConocoPhillips' 185,000 b/d Trainer Refinery in Pennsylvania February 12

Some units that went offline on February 10 are now in the process of being brought back to normal operations. The spokesperson declined to comment on the reasons for the shutdown.

Bloomberg News, 15:24 February 12, 2007

Trinidad Oil Workers Began Strike, Returned to Work February 13

Petrorin's oil workers returned to work on February 13, a day after about 400 employees stayed home to protest to what it called dangerous working conditions. Production should not be affected because crews at significantly reduced levels kept the oil production facilities operating during the strike.

Oil Daily, February 13, 2007

Reuters, 11:57 February 13, 2007

Canada Approves Conversion of Natural Gas Line to Move Canadian Crude to U.S.

Canada's National Energy Board approved the conversion of part of TransCanada's Canadian Mainline natural gas transmission facilities into its crude oil Keystone pipeline project. The Keystone project is a planned 1,842-mile pipeline to move 435,000 b/d of crude oil from Alberta to the U.S. Midwest. Most of the pipeline will be in the United States, but has not been constructed. The planned operational date is the end of 2009.

Oil Daily, February 13, 2007

Natural Gas

Sempra and ProLiance Energy Launch Open Season to Solicit Market Interest in Expansion of the Liberty Natural Gas Storage Facility in Louisiana

Current capacity is 17 Bcf. The open season is offering an additional 5 Bcf.

<http://biz.yahoo.com/pz/070212/113589.html>

Russian President Putin Suggests Natural Gas Cartel Again – This Time to Qatar

<http://www.katu.com/news/business/5804321.html>

<http://www.earthtimes.org/articles/show/30192.html>

Anadarko Mothballs its Bear Head Nova Scotian LNG Project

<http://intelligencepress.com/>

Other News

Barge Canal in Louisiana Reopens After Spill February 12

The U.S. Gulf Intracoastal Waterway near Lake Charles, Louisiana reopened around 2 p.m. EST February 12 after being closed from mile markers 257 to 263. It was closed when a vessel carrying marine-grade diesel fuel spilled 700 gallons of fuel. 12 Vessels that had been delayed were underway, according to the U.S. Coast Guard.

Reuters, 15:32 February 13, 2007

Energy Prices

U.S. Oil and Gas Prices February 13, 2007			
	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
CRUDE OIL West Texas Intermediate U.S. \$/Barrel	59.11	58.89	61.26
NATURAL GAS Henry Hub \$/Million Btu	8.09	8.29	7.36

Source: Reuters

Energy Notes

**New Study Says Proposed Coal Plants in Texas Will Foul Dallas Air
Utilities Say Study not Objective – Funded by Opponents of New Coal Power Plants**
<http://powermarketers.net/contentinc.net/newsreader.asp?ppa=8knpp%5E%5BImgluwxZTgdy30qbfem%5Ev>

**U.S. Officials in Brazil Last Week Seeking Energy Partnership on Ethanol
U.S-Brazil Discuss How to Lesson Strategic Role of Venezuela
Brazil Complains that 54 cent-per-Gallon Tariff Hampers U.S. Import of Brazilian Ethanol**
http://www.boston.com/news/world/latinamerica/articles/2007/02/12/us_brazil_are_seeking_energy_partnership_on_ethanol/

**Sun Coke Co. Plans to Build 550,000 Tons/Year Coke Plant in Ohio
Heat Recovery Unit Will Produce 46 MW of Power as Well**
<http://biz.yahoo.com/bizj/070212/1416903.html?.v=1>

Firms Boost Nigeria Security
Oil Daily, February 13, 2007

Dominion Power Prefers Existing Corridor Route for New Northern Virginia 500kV Line
<http://biz.yahoo.com/prnews/070213/cltu509.html?.v=63>

Links

This Week in Petroleum from the Energy Information Administration (EIA)
<http://tonto.eia.doe.gov/oog/info/twip/twip.asp>
Updated every Wednesday.

Weekly Petroleum Status Report from EIA
http://www.eia.doe.gov/oil_gas/petroleum/data_publications/weekly_petroleum_status_report/wpsr.html
Updated after 10:30 AM & 1:00 PM EST every Wednesday.

Natural Gas Weekly Update from EIA
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