



# ENERGY ASSURANCE DAILY

Thursday Evening, August 14, 2014

## *Electricity*

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### **Entergy's 979 MW Indian Point Nuclear Unit 3 in New York Shut August 13**

On the morning of August 13 the unit was operating at full power before it automatically tripped due to temperature related equipment failure.

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2014/>

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/event/2014/20140814en.html>

### **Update: FPL's 693 MW Turkey Point Nuclear Unit 3 in Florida Restarts, Ramps Up to 43 Percent by August 14**

The unit was shut August 11 from full power due to a manual reactor trip on loss of instrument air.

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2014/>

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/event/2014/20140812en.html>

## *Petroleum*

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### **Louisiana Offshore Oil Port Suspends Offloading at Marine Terminal to Investigate Oil Sheen August 13**

Louisiana Offshore Oil Port's (LOOP's) Offshore Marine Terminal on Wednesday suspended its crude oil offloading operations while investigating an oil sheen along the LOOP pipeline right-of-way. Sheening continued in the area of the pipeline. Therefore, activities to expose the line for more detailed inspection and repair, if confirmed, were underway and would continue through the weekend. A detailed work plan was under development but it was expected that marine offloading and main oil pipeline operations would not resume within the next four days. These activities do not affect LOOP's onshore operations at the Clovelly Hub and deliveries of crude oil continue on schedule.

<https://www.loopllc.com/Announcements/Announcements/Suspension-of-Marine-Terminal-Offloading>

### **Update: Coast Guard Reopens Vessel Traffic in Lower Mississippi River August 13 after Multi-Vessel Collision August 12**

The U.S. Coast Guard said it reopened the lower Mississippi River between mile marker 96 and mile marker 98 to all traffic transiting around the International Matex Tank Terminals (IMTT) near Gretna, Louisiana, on Wednesday afternoon following a multi-vessel collision earlier in the day. It had restricted traffic on the river after Maltese-flagged vessel Flag Gangos lost control near mile marker 97.4 on Tuesday evening and collided with Liberian-flagged vessel Pamisos and a barge, Web 235, both moored at the terminal for transfer operations. The disabled vessel was no longer impeding traffic and the slow-bell requirement was still in effect in the vicinity of the IMTT facility, the Coast Guard said.

<http://www.uscgnews.com/go/doc/4007/2224754/>

Reuters, 18:25 August 13, 2014

### **ExxonMobil Says Impact Minimal at Its 344,600 b/d Beaumont, Texas Refinery after FCCU Shutdown**

ExxonMobil Corp said the fluid catalytic cracking unit (FCCU) was offline following a previously reported unit upset at Beaumont, Texas refinery. The company said it was continuing to work toward restoring normal operations at the refinery.

Reuters, 20:34 August 13, 2014

## **Second U.S. Condensate Export Cargo Will Ship to Netherlands**

The second export cargo of light oil will load at the end of August to go to Europe, shipping sources said on Wednesday. The cargo was originally due to load August 8-10 for an Asian destination, but the charterer, Westport Petroleum Inc, struggled to find a Panamax tanker that would take the long voyage east with no return cargo. The cargo will now be bound for Rotterdam, Netherlands, according to two sources  
Reuters, 19:00 August 13, 2014

## ***Natural Gas***

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### **Regency Reports AGC System Shut at Its 290 MMcf/d Waha Gas Plant in Texas August 13**

Regency reported the acid gas compressor (AGC) system shut due to high waste water injection pressure. Water pumps started to facilitate water injections without acid gas to flush the well. Once pressure was returned to normal operating range, the AGC was restarted and flaring ceased.

<http://www11.tceq.state.tx.us/oce/ee/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.getDetails&target=202303>

## ***Other News***

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Nothing to report.

## ***International News***

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### **Colombia's 110,000 b/d Bicentenario Pipeline Shut after Bombing August 12**

Colombia's 143-mile Bicentenario crude oil pipeline was shut Tuesday after being damaged in a bombing that security officials blamed on leftist rebels. The attack took place in Fortul, in the eastern province of Arauca near the border with Venezuela, causing a huge fire but no injuries or fatalities, a statement from the operator said on Wednesday. The pipeline transports crude oil from the Eastern Plains to the Cano Limon-Covenas pipeline.

[http://www.downstreamtoday.com/news/article.aspx?a\\_id=44147](http://www.downstreamtoday.com/news/article.aspx?a_id=44147)

### **Update: Tanker Leaves New Jersey without Unloading 300,000 Barrels of Kurdish Crude**

A tanker carrying 300,000 barrels of Kurdish crude oil was sailing away from the U.S. Atlantic Coast on Thursday, without delivering its disputed cargo to refiner Axon Specialty Products in New Jersey. When asked if it knew where the ship was headed, a spokesperson for Axon declined to comment. Axon previously said it would not buy or accept delivery of any cargoes of disputed Kurdish crude oil for its 84,000 b/d Paulsboro, New Jersey refinery, as Iraq's central government has sought to block independent exports of crude by the Kurdistan Regional Government.  
Reuters, 11:13 August 14, 2014

### **Libya Expects Oil Exports at Es Sider Port to Start in Few Days – NOC**

Libya expects to start oil exports from the Es Sider port in "a few days," with a shipment already programmed at the terminal that was closed for almost a year by protests, a National Oil Corporation (NOC) official said on Thursday. The official said current national oil production was at 400,000 b/d, down from 450,000 b/d a week ago, due to maintenance at the offshore al Jurf oilfield.

Reuters, 5:25 August 14, 2014

## Energy Prices

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U.S. Oil and Gas Prices			
August 14, 2014			
	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
<b>CRUDE OIL</b> <b>West Texas Intermediate U.S.</b> \$/Barrel	96.18	97.19	106.73
<b>NATURAL GAS</b> <b>Henry Hub</b> \$/Million Btu	3.87	3.97	3.34

Source: Reuters

## Links

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***This Week in Petroleum*** from the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA)

<http://www.eia.gov/oog/info/twip/twip.asp>

Updated every Wednesday.

***Weekly Petroleum Status Report*** from EIA

[http://www.eia.gov/oil\\_gas/petroleum/data\\_publications/weekly\\_petroleum\\_status\\_report/wpsr.html](http://www.eia.gov/oil_gas/petroleum/data_publications/weekly_petroleum_status_report/wpsr.html)

Updated after 10:30 AM & 1:00 PM ET every Wednesday.

***Natural Gas Weekly Update*** from EIA

<http://www.eia.gov/oog/info/ngw/ngupdate.asp>

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