



ENERGY ASSURANCE DAILY

Wednesday Evening, November 07, 2007

Electricity

Dominion Shuts 743 MW Salem Harbor Coal-fired Plant in Massachusetts after Steam Pipe Burst, Investigations into Incident Ongoing November 6

A steam pipe ruptured at the Unit 3 boiler around 9:00 AM, killing three employees. Dominion shut all units and is performing a full safety review.

http://biz.yahoo.com/ap/071106/dominion_resources_accident_statement.html?.v=1

http://www.boston.com/news/globe/city_region/breaking_news/2007/11/3_workers_die_a.html

Reuters, 11:00 November 7, 2007

Reuters, 11:03 November 7, 2007

Entergy's 966 MW River Bend Nuke Unit 1 in Louisiana Shut November 7

The unit shut due to an electrical component trip; it is expected to restart November 14. According to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the unit was operating at 75 percent on November 6.

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

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2007/20071106ps.html>

Reuters, 10:17 November 7, 2007

Reuters, 11:03 November 7, 2007

Update: Dynegy's 510 MW Moss Landing Gas-fired Unit 1 in California Returns to Service November 6

According to a report issued by the California Independent Service Operator, the unit returned to service after experiencing an unplanned outage on November 5.

<http://www.caiso.com/unitstatus/data/unitstatus200711061515.html>

Update: Sempra Energy's 551 Elk Hills Gas-fired Unit in California Back to Service November 6

According to a report issued by the California Independent Service Operator, the unit returned to service after experiencing an unplanned outage on October 28.

<http://www.caiso.com/unitstatus/data/unitstatus200711061515.html>

Equipment Failure at TXU's 565 MW Monticello Coal-fired Unit 3 in Texas November 6

According to a filing with Texas regulators, an emissions event lasting one hour was reported due to an equipment failure.

<http://www2.tceq.state.tx.us/eer/main/index.cfm?fuseaction=getDetails&target=99690>

TXU's 750 MW Martin Lake Coal-fired Unit 3 in Texas Shut November 6

According to a filing with Texas regulators, the unit was shut to repair a crack in the reheat steam line to the turbine.

<http://www2.tceq.state.tx.us/eer/main/index.cfm?fuseaction=getDetails&target=99725/>

Reuters, 10:12 November 7, 2007

Reuters, 11:03 November 7, 2007

NYPA's 792 MW Gilboa Hydro-powered Plant in New York Restarts November 7

The units 2, 3, and 4 were shut on September 21.

Reuters, 11:03 November 7, 2007

ENMAX's 250 MW Calgary Gas-fired Unit in Alberta Shut November 6

Reuters, 11:03 November 7, 2007

TMPA's 462 MW Gibbons Creek Coal-fired Unit in Texas Shut November 7

According to a filing with Texas regulators, unit is being shut for planned maintenance, and to repair a steam seal pipe leak.

<http://www2.tceq.state.tx.us/ee/main/index.cfm?fuseaction=getDetails&target=99682>

Reuters, 07:27 November 7, 2007

Reuters, 11:03 November 7, 2007

Petroleum

As North Sea Fields Brace for Wind Storm, Over 80,000 b/d to be Shut-in

BP's Norwegian unit will close its 80,000 b/d Valhall oilfield Thursday night, and ConocoPhillips may shut five of its 16 platforms at the 236,000 b/d Ekofisk oil and gas field, the companies said. BP planned to evacuate 150 employees, a spokesman said, and ConocoPhillips another 600, other sources reported. Norway's StatoilHydro said it does not plan to disrupt operations. The companies do not expect to slow production in the British North Sea. Separately, the Sullom Voe oil terminal in Scotland returned to service this morning—it was shut yesterday because of the wind storm.

Bloomberg, 4:02 November 7, 2007

Reuters, 12:22 November 7, 2007

Reuters, 6:57 November 7, 2007

Fire Shuts Crude Unit at Motiva's 235,000 b/d Convent, Louisiana Refinery November 6

A fire at the facility reportedly burned from 5:45 AM to 8:30 AM leading the company to shut a crude processing unit. A spokesman for the company said that the rest of the refinery was operating.

Reuters, 16:57 November 6, 2007

Aromatics Unit Shut at BP's 460,000 b/d Texas City, Texas Refinery November 7

The shutdown caused the release of 17 lbs of benzene according to a filing with state regulators.

Bloomberg News, 12:03 November 7, 2007

Update: Mexico's Salina Cruz Oil Port Reopens

The port, located on Mexico's Pacific coast, ships an average of 300,000 b/d of oil to the United States and Asia. Strong winds and high waves had closed the Salina Cruz port for one day.

Reuters, 11:56 November 7, 2007

Update: BP's 460,000 b/d Texas City Refinery to Reach 400,000 b/d by Year's End

Due to an explosion and hurricane damage in 2005, the refinery has since been running well-below full rates. A BP spokesman said that the oil refinery is on track to hit 400,000 b/d of production by the end of this year.

Reuters, 17:35 November 7, 2007

Natural Gas

Flaring at Pure Resources's 65 MMcf/d Dollarhide Gas Plant 20 in Texas November 6

According to a filing with Texas regulators, a CAT-15 acid gas compressor shut at 4:00 AM local time. The event lasted 6 hours.

<http://www2.tceq.state.tx.us/ee/main/index.cfm?fuseaction=getDetails&target=99727>

Northern Natural Shuts Section of Pipeline in Oklahoma for Work November 6

The section of the pipeline and a compressor station is shut until November 21 for repairs.

Bloomberg News, 11:54 November 6, 2007

Other News

Nothing to report.

Energy Prices

U.S. Oil and Gas Prices November 7, 2007			
	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
CRUDE OIL West Texas Intermediate U.S. \$/Barrel	95.00	94.16	58.94
NATURAL GAS Henry Hub \$/Million Btu	7.42	7.28	6.59

Source: Reuters

Energy Notes

Snow Storm Knocks Out Power to 15,000 Penelec Customers in Pennsylvania November 6

<http://www.goerie.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20071106/NEWS02/71106024>

Idaho Power Begins Process for 650 Miles of New 550 kV Transmission Line across Wyoming and Idaho November 5

<http://www.idahopower.com/newsroom/update/20071105.htm>

PECO Completes Natural Gas Distribution Upgrades in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania November 6

<http://www.sn1.com/InteractiveX/article.aspx?ID=6838679&KPLT=4>

<http://biz.yahoo.com/bizj/071106/1546737.html?.v=1>

Texas Natural Gas Utilities Must Replace Old Compression-Style Pipe Couplings that Have Caused to Home Explosions

<http://www.dallasnews.com/sharedcontent/dws/dn/latestnews/stories/110707dnbusatmosdecision.1e4667d95.html>

Update: Independence Hub Operating at 850 MMcf/d, to Reach 1 Bcf/d by End of Year

Reuters, 14:15 November 6, 2007

U.S. Corn Stocks Increased About 50 Percent Since Last Year – Analysts

Reuters, 12:54 November 7, 2007

U.S. Wind Power Facilities to Increase 63 Percent in 2007– American Wind Energy Association

http://www.awea.org/newsroom/releases/AWEA_Quarterly_Market_Report_110707.html

Reuters, 13:15 November 7, 2007

Chinese and Indian Oil Demand to Could Cause Crunch by 2015 - IEA

http://www.iea.org/Textbase/press/pressdetail.asp?PRESS_REL_ID=239

Links

This Week in Petroleum from the Energy Information Administration (EIA)

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

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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

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

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