**WV LEGISLATURE UPDATE**

By: Bob Matthey

The West Virginia Legislature has formed a joint subcommittee consisting of five members from the Senate to come up with a bill for drilling horizontal Marcellus wells in WV. Three months ago, Governor Tomblin issued emergency rules dealing with Marcellus shale wells. The emergency rules deal mostly with water usage, disposal, and building containment pits. The joint committee has worked on a bill by adding several interesting amendments. They are as follows: (1) Raise permit fees for horizontal wells to $10,000 for the first well on the pad and $5,000 for each additional well on that pad. (2) Doing away with the WV Oil and Gas Conservation Board that hires inspectors and let the WVDEP Office of Oil and Gas do the hiring. (3) Change the notice to surface owners from 15 days to 30 days in the permitting process. (4) An amendment, that I find most interesting, (Continued on Page 10)

**UTICA SHALE UPDATE**

Early promise of Utica shale deposits encourages Gov. Kasich

(Press Release) Wednesday, October 19, 2011 10:38 PM

Source: Akron Beacon Journal (Akron, Ohio) By Bob Downing, The Akron Beacon Journal, Ohio Oct. 19–CANTON – Gov. John Kasich on Wednesday put on his cheerleader hat to boost drilling for natural gas, oil and other liquids from the Utica shale formation under eastern Ohio. "We feel very good," he said in a 20-minute talk at the first Oilfield Expo staged by the Ohio Oil and Gas Association at Canton's Memorial Civic Center. "This is fantastic. ... It is a pretty amazing story."

Preliminary tests indicate that drillers might be able to tap into tens of billions of dollars of natural gas, oil and other liquids in Ohio in coming years. Ten test wells have been drilled into the Utica shale and perhaps another 90 wells are needed before Ohio and the drillers can fully assess the potential, Kasich said. That, he said, is forcing him to temper his enthusiasm for drilling – at least a little.

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**RECORD CROWD ATTENDS SOOGA TRADE SHOW**

Despite the weather, hundreds came out for the SOOGA Annual Trade Show held at the Washington Fairgrounds in Marietta, Ohio. There was something for everyone. Morning training sessions, technical presentations and an Update on the Utica Shale in the afternoon were available to all participants. Thanks to all who attended. We hope to see you next year.

(Trade Show continued on Page 26)

**Check the SOOGA website for more information on SOOGA events.**

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As the Utica Play in Ohio picks up steam, it presents many opportunities as well as issues for producers in Ohio. The media and the press have extolled the benefits this play can bring to Ohio in terms of employment (it has been reported as many as 200,000 jobs may be added over the next few years), the increase in tax revenue to the state and the various counties and municipalities, as well as the increased revenue to small business in towns and cities in Ohio. As to the issues, the Utica play has also brought a considerable amount of attention in the press and media about “fracking” from various citizens and environmental groups, road damage from the increase in heavy traffic, and water use and disposal. That, coupled with the proposed new regulations about general air permits, GHG emission reporting, taxes, fees, and a number of others will be monitored closely by the Association board as I mentioned in my last Crow’s Nest article to insure that your input is heard when new rules are being promulgated.

Chesapeake Energy has reported on its website some initial results totaling 16.4 mmcf/day from 3 of its wells located in Harrison and Carroll County, Ohio, as well as 3,420 bbls/day of natural gas liquids and oil from these 3 wells. The production listed assumes maximum ethane recovery. Chesapeake has drilled 12 wells in the discovery phase of the Utica. In other news, Consol Energy, Inc. has entered into an agreement with Hess Corp. for the joint exploration and development of Consol’s 200,000 Utica acres in Ohio. Also, EV Energy Partners announced they have finalized an agreement with Chesapeake on a long term venture to develop the Utica shale in Ohio, operating about 40% of EnerVest’s 780,000 acres. As we move forward in the Utica play, there may be more of these joint ventures, and I will report them as they are made public.

SOOGA had another very successful Fall Clay Shoot held on October 14th at Hilltop Sports in Whipple Ohio. There were 43 shooters, and Steve Queen won the Remington 870 .12 gauge shotgun in the “TOP SHOT’ contest.

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OBITUARY

Article from Monroe Co. Beacon
Thur. 13 Oct. 2011

David Lewiston Beveridge, 67, of Woodsfield, Ohio died October 9, 2011 at the Barnesville Hospital, Barnesville, Ohio, as the result of his seventeen month battle with cancer.

“Dave” was born October 4, 1944 in Fort Smith, Arkansas to the late David and Clara (Betty) Ide Beveridge. He made his home in Woodsfield, Ohio in 1957, when his parents moved there from Texas, and where he and his wife, Patricia (Carle), formerly of Beallsville, Ohio, raised their two children.

After graduating from Woodsfield High School in 1961, Dave attended Texas A & M University and served in the United States Army. He married his wife, Patricia on May 4, 1968. He was an employee of the Ormet Corporation from which he retired in 1995. Dave was a certified welder and well-known oil and gas lease owner/operator in Monroe, Washington, and Noble Counties, where anyone that knew him, knew he could often be found (or not found, which was often the case). He was a former member of the Army National Guard Rifle and Pistol Team, from which he received many top honors. Dave was a member of the New Life Church of Woodsfield, Ohio where he and Pat attended for thirty-five years and also a member of Monroe Lodge #189 F. & A.M., Woodsfield, Ohio. He also loved and was very active in local trap and sporting clay shooting. He and his very close and faithful friend, Gale DePuy of Marietta, Ohio spent many fun-filled shooting and hunting trips together.

Dave is survived by his wife of forty-three years, Patricia Carle Beveridge; one son, Nathan (Amanda) Beveridge of Timber Lake, North Carolina; one daughter, Nicole (Matthew) Hunt of Canal Winchester, Ohio; one sister, Sue (John) Hunnell of Woodsfield, Ohio; one brother, Morgan Beveridge of Maple Falls, Washington; one grandson, Bentley Hunt; two step-grandchildren, Shelby and Tyler Jones, and father and mother-in-law, Emory and Jean Carle of Woodsfield, Ohio.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by a grandson, Lincoln Hunt.

Dave was member of Southeastern Ohio Oil and Gas Association, and enjoyed participating in our annual

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Methane Already in Groundwater
Researcher looks for causes of contamination

OCTOBER 11, 2011
By CASEY JUNKINS Staff Writer, The Intelligencer / Wheeling News-Register

Those who believe their drinking water wells may be contaminated with methane released by natural gas fracking may be wrong, according to a West Virginia University professor.

"The source of methane gas can range from active or inactive deep coal mines, landfills, gas storage fields or microbial gas generated in a shallow subsurface," said assistant professor Shikha Sharma, noting that dissolved methane gas already exists in groundwater where there is no shale gas drilling.

"As a scientist, it is my job to stay focused on the scientific perspective of this study while staying neutral on the political and social issues associated with it," she added.

In the midst of a study on the origins of methane gas in the Monongahela River watershed and other areas of this region, Sharma stops short of saying that fracking, or hydraulic fracturing of the shale, absolutely does not release methane into groundwater.

"Depending on how and where this methane is formed, it can have very different C and H isotope signatures. This gives us the ability to know if it comes from hydrofracking releases or some other source," she said.

Fracking occurs after companies finish the drilling portion of natural gas development. Millions of gallons of water, sand and chemicals are pumped more than a mile into the ground at high pressure in order to shatter the rock, thereby releasing the gas.

Last year, Marshall County resident Jeremiah Magers believed fracking by those working for Chesapeake Energy caused his drinking water well to become contaminated with methane.

Chesapeake officials said they collected samples from Magers' water source. They informed him that dissolved methane gas was detected in his water sample, but that methane gas may be generated from various sources.

Earlier this year, however, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection fined Chesapeake $900,000 for apparently causing methane to be released into private water wells in the northeastern portion of the state, near New York. Environmental department officials said improper well casing and cementing by Chesapeake in shallow zones allowed methane to migrate into groundwater, thus polluting the drinking water supply. The fines included a $700,000 civil penalty and a $200,000 deposit into the Keystone State's well plugging fund.

With the jury still out on whether fracking can release methane into groundwater, Sharma continues her study. It is being funded by a $25,000 grant from the U.S. Geological Survey, provided through the West Virginia Water Research Institute. This money allows Sharma and her graduate student, Michon Mulder, to gather and test water samples from groundwater wells in the Monongahela River watershed.

The study will allow the researchers to construct a picture of existing methane gas sources in the area, which could then be used to identify dissolved methane releases associated with Marcellus Shale gas drilling.

"There are some concerns associated with higher levels of dissolved methane," said Sharma. "The levels of dissolved methane higher than 28 milligrams per liter are considered potentially flammable. Because dissolved methane already exists in some of our samples, we need to figure out where the actual sources of this dissolved methane gas are located.

"It is important to understand exactly how much methane exists in the groundwater now and what sources it comes from, so that unbiased decisions can be made regarding the potential and real impacts of hydrofracking on our water sources in the future," she added.
## 2011 NEW MEMBERS
**SOOGA would like to welcome**

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THE BELMONT OIL FIELD

After considering the Macksburg field in some detail, I will now cover some of the other areas where the Berea was productive during the early days. The Macksburg field was the first major field in Southern Ohio to demonstrate the potential of the Berea. It also demonstrated the technical problems that hindered “deep” (by 1885 standards) drilling. Many of the successful resolutions of these drilling and producing problems served the early producers as they began the search for oil and gas in other areas.

One of these areas which was explored in the early days was Pleasants County, West Virginia. Oil had been produced from the very shallow Horseneck and Cow Run Sands from the period of the Civil War. This shallow production originally developed in the Volcano area on the Ritchie-Pleasants line and was associated with the Burning Springs Anticline. The northern extension of this activity took place in the vicinity of the village of Horseneck in Grant District of Pleasants County.

As a result of the success at Macksburg, deeper drilling was taking place to explore for other areas of Berea production. Since the crest of the Burning Springs Anticline crosses the Ohio River at Belmont, it was one of the logical areas due to the shallow depths of the target formations.

In 1884 Squire Boss drilled on the Friend Cochran farm which was two miles back of Belmont on Robins Run. This well yielded two barrels of oil per day. Next year Boss and Frank Brown drilled on the Russ Hammett farm back of Eureka and secured a well producing 50 barrels of oil per day. In 1886 their next well, closer to Belmont, was productive of gas only. In 1888 this same company drilled on the McJim farm on McElroy Creed which resulted in oil production.

As attractive as these wells may sound to present day producers, they were not spectacular by the standards of one hundred years ago. At that time a number of very prolific fields were being developed in Pennsylvania which made these West Virginia wells seem like dry holes. In the Keystone State wells flowing from several hundred to several thousand barrels of oil per day were not uncommon. This quality of well was being found with great regularity in Butler and Washington Counties and there was little incentive to come to West Virginia to drill small wells.

What did get the attention of the industry was the No. 1 well on Brothers Island in the Ohio River. This was drilled by Brockunier and Hart of Wheeling and began flowing at the rate of 300 barrels per day in 1888. This well started a flurry of drilling activity around what is now known as Belmont.

The original name of Belmont was Parkerville from Colonel Parker who owned the land where the town developed. At the time of oil discovery, Parkerville consisted of three houses. After the usual influx of people and business associated with an oil boom, the town grew considerably. George Boss and R.T. Brouse were the leading developers of the town and were instrumental in getting the name changed to Belmont.

The Brothers Island well was responsible for much drilling activity which reached a peak during 1890-1891. By 1892 the field as a Berea producer began to decline and some of the early wells have continued as small producers to the present day.

One of the early producers to come to Belmont from Pennsylvania was T.N. Barnsdall. Barnsdall was one of the great leaders in the early oil industry, having started near Oil City, Pennsylvania in the 1860’s. In our area he had a number of oil producing properties which were generally operated under the name of Southern Oil Company. This company had extensive holdings in Monroe County, Ohio and the Cow Run field south of Marietta in addition to several pipeline systems. Among those who appreciated old river boats the steamer “T.N. Barnsdall” is well remembered. Like a great number of early oil men, Barnsdall “went west” to Oklahoma when developments started there.

Geologically speaking the Berea sand at Belmont was one of the better sand developments in the area. Along the river where it is found at a depth of 1350 feet, it is composed of twenty-five feet of clean white sand. The sand is very uniform throughout its thickness. The pay zone which constitutes the whole thickness is quite soft.

Along the river the Berea is flooded with water which entered the sand through some of the early wells which were not properly plugged. However back from the river are several old leases where oil production has been maintained since the early 1890’s. Thus, one of the area’s early Berea oil fields is still producing over ninety years after its discovery.
GAS PRICING

SEPTEMBER 2011
NYMEX Settlement: $3.857
Inside FERC/DTI: $3.900 (Basis: $0.043)
Inside FERC/TCO: $3.900 (Basis: $0.043)
NYMEX 3-day Average: $3.9063

OCTOBER 2011
NYMEX Settlement: $3.759
Inside FERC/DTI: $3.840 (Basis: $0.081)
Inside FERC/TCO: $3.770 (Basis: $0.011)
NYMEX 3-day Average: $3.7893

OIL PRICING

AVERAGE AUGUST 2011 & SEPTEMBER 2011

ERGON PURCHASING WEST VIRGINIA
MONTHLY AVERAGE

August Ohio Tier 1: $82.9435
August Ohio Tier 2: $80.9435
August Ohio Tier 3: $78.9435
August West Virginia Tier 1: $81.4435
August West Virginia Tier 2: $79.4435
August West Virginia Tier 3: $77.4435
August Appalachian Light: $65.3145

September Ohio Tier 1: $82.3753
September Ohio Tier 2: $80.3753
September Ohio Tier 3: $78.3753
September West Virginia Tier 1: $80.8753
September West Virginia Tier 2: $78.8753
September West Virginia Tier 3: $76.7080
September Appalachian Light: $66.4470

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AVERAGE

8/1 to 8/10 Group 1 OH: $85.15
Group 2 OH: $83.15
Group 3 OH: $81.15
App. Light: $65.65

8/11 to 8/20 Group 1 OH: $81.88
Group 2 OH: $79.88
Group 3 OH: $77.88
App. Light: $62.80

8/21 to 8/31 Group 1 OH: $81.91
Group 2 OH: $79.91
Group 3 OH: $77.91
App. Light: $62.98

9/1 to 9/10 Group 1 OH: $84.16
Group 2 OH: $82.16
Group 3 OH: $80.16
App. Light: $64.67

9/11 to 9/20 Group 1 OH: $84.84
Group 2 OH: $82.84
Group 3 OH: $80.84
App. Light: $65.32

9/21 to 9/30 Group 1 OH: $78.12
Group 2 OH: $76.12
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PRICING

Prices October 11, 2011

One Year NYMEX strip (November, 2011 – October, 2012) $4.00
Summer NYMEX strip (April, 2012 – October, 2012)     $4.05

TCO Index Posting - October, 2011       $3.77
DTI Index Posting – October, 2011        $3.84

It appears that high storage levels combined with enhanced production capabilities and slow usage growth could keep gas prices from rising dramatically over the next couple of years.

EIA UPDATE:

Price Update – EIA:
Per the latest EIA report and forecast for natural gas production, the EIA expects demand for gas to be stronger than previously expected, but the benefits will be largely offset by increased supplies. US natural gas production is expected to increase 5.8% in 2011 to 65.4 Bcf per day, up for the previously projected growth rate released last month. The current EIA forecast for the second half of 2011 is that the average Henry Hub price average for 2011 will be $4.26 per DTH, and $4.54 in 2012.

EIA also expects natural gas consumption will grow 2.0% to 67.4 Bcf/d in 2011. Projected total consumption drops slightly in 2012 to 67.3 Bcf/d.

Price Update – 2011: Last month Raymond James and Associates came out with their updated forecast for 2011. They have lowered the forecast for the average price of gas from $4.25 to $3.75, and $4.25 for 2012, and Oil for 2011 will average $90 /bbl, and $100.00 (or higher) in 2012. Goldman Sachs says Crude Oil to average $110/BBL in 2012, up from a forecast of $100. Goldman Sachs forecast is based on “the better prospects for continued robust world economic growth”.

Merrill Lynch this week lowered their price forecast for natural gas from $5.00 to $4.60 for 2011. There is “upside” to prices from 2013 onward, Merrill said.

Barclays sees Anemic Northeast natural gas growth. Power generation and exporting natural gas to Canada are seen as potential relief points for regional oversupply.

Looking forward toward fall, there continues to be a stability in price, as weather demand coupled with storage levels may indicate some sideways trading between $4.25 and $4.70.

GAS RESERVES: The EIA came out with their Proved Gas Reserve Report. U.S. natural gas proved reserves, estimated as “wet” gas which includes natural gas plant liquids, increased by 11 percent in 2009 to 284 trillion cubic feet (Tcf), the highest since 1971. Last year’s increase demonstrates the importance of shale gas exploration and production technologies per the agency. Louisiana led the nation in additions to natural gas proved reserves with a net increase of 9.2 Tcf (77% increase), and Arkansas (Fayetteville Shale) and Pennsylvania (Marcellus Shale) nearly doubled their reserves.

GAS STORAGE AS OF THE October 6, 2011 Report

Working Gas in storage was 3,409 Bcf as of Friday, September 30, 2011. At 3,409 total working gas is within the 5 year historical range.

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Storage is 87.6% full compared to normal as of this report, with normal total capacity of 3,890 at the start of the withdrawal season.

GATHERCO

Retainage for July, 2011 is as follows for the Gatherco systems. Treat was 4.0%, Miley was 4.0%, Meigs was 4.0%, York was 4.0%, Grimes was 4.0%, and Elk was 4.0%.

August retainage was not available as of the date of this report.
that would require drilling companies and contractors to file a report with the WV Division of Labor with a list of all their employees, where they are from and how much money they make. (5) Another issue being tossed around is some type of regulation on air quality! (6) Another amendment is that you would not drill within 625 feet of a dwelling.

These are only amendments to the bill that has not been adopted yet!

We will keep you updated to new events.
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DOMINION EAST OHIO GAS

Update on 2011 enhancement surcharges:

Per Dominion East Ohio:

Dominion East Ohio Calendar Month Implementation

- Effective December 1, 2011
- Applies to all non-MOA electronically-measured master meters with no paper stations.
- Transition will add 12 to 16 days of production to the November period.
- New meters coming online after October 1, 2011 will be designated as Calendar Month meters.

DEO will hold information meeting in Marietta on September 23, 2011.

New enhancement rate is $.32 for 2011 (Enhancement $.25, OOGA Surcharge $.06, and OOGA Admin Fee $.01).

It is estimated that the $.06 surcharge will be completed in September, 2011, and that charge will terminate.

Dominion also reported that local supply on their system has gone down to 175,000/day from 185,000/day earlier in the year.

Below is the website for Dominion East Ohio, where you can find notices about interruptions, shut-ins, contacts, maps, and information about current enhancements projects being worked on and considered by the enhancement committee.

http://www.dom.com/about/gp-services/index.jsp

CNR/COLUMBIA GAS TRANSMISSION

Line P on TCO is scheduled for a 120 day shut in this summer. This shut-in began July 5, 2011 and will last for 120 days. Columbia indicated there is a possibility that it may be completed in a shorter time frame.

There are some shut-ins on Columbia Ohio, due to the extra Marcellus gas causing some constraints on their systems, and they are allowing only Firm Transport to flow.

For shut in notices on Columbia Gas Transmission, please use the link below.


COBRA PIPELINE COMPANY, LLC

Effective February 6, 2008, Cobra Pipeline Company LLC purchased The Churchtown, North Trumbull, and Holmesville systems from Columbia Gas Transmission. Cobra took over the ownership and management of those systems on that date.

Cobra Pipeline Company website: https://www.quicknom.com/cobra/

EQUITABLE:

EQT Corporation has sold the Langley Gas Processing complex in Langley, KY to MarkWest energy partners, L.P. for $230 million. The acquisition includes a 100 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) cryogenic processing plant, a 75 MMcf/d refrigeration processing plant, approximately 28,000 horsepower of compression, and a partially constructed NGL pipeline that MarkWest will complete.

EQT Corporation announced the sale of The Big Sandy Pipeline in Eastern Kentucky to Spectra Energy Partners, LP for $390 million. The transaction is expected to close during the third quarter of 2011. Big Sandy is a 70 mile, 20 inch diameter pipeline with a capacity of 171,000/dth per day capacity, transporting gas from Langley, Kentucky to the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast markets.

DOMINION TRANSMISSION

Dominion has been experiencing some line pressure issues on parts of their system, as well as maintenance. This has resulted in some intermittent shut-ins for producers.

Dominion Reaches lease Deal to Move Marcellus natural Gas to New York:

Dominion Transmission and Tennessee Gas Pipeline have reached a ten-year lease agreement to move Marcellus shale natural gas from northern Pennsylvania to upstate New York. Dominion Transmission’s parent Dominion, announced the agreement with Houston-based Tennessee Monday. Richmond-based Dominion say the Ellisburg-to-Craigs Project includes construction of additional compression facilities and new regulating facilities. If federal regulators approve the project, construction would begin in March 2012 and operations would begin November 1, 2012. Dominion says it plans to file in December for a certificate from the FERC.

Http://www.dom.com/about/gas-transmission/index.jsp

OTHER APPALACHIAN BASIN NEWS:

Exclusive: Exxon buys two Marcellus companies for $1.7 billion. Reuters. Exxon Mobil Corp (XOM.N) said it bought privately held natural gas company Phillips Resources and related company TWP Inc for $1.69 billion last week, picking up about 317,000 acres for exploration in the Marcellus shale basin. The action highlights the importance Exxon is placing on natural gas assets after spending about $30 billion last year to buy natural gas company XTO Energy, adding one of the leading developers of shale gas and a resource base of 45 trillion cubic feet of gas equivalent.
MARCELLUS AND UTICA NEWS:

Marcellus Update:
The Department of Environmental Protection’s latest report on Marcellus production shows that during the first 6 months of 2011, production rose 22% to 1.87 bcf/day.

Consol Energy is selling half of their Marcellus Development rights to Noble Energy for $3.4 billion. Noble will pay $1.07 billion for a 50% stake in Consol’s 663,350 undeveloped acres and fund $2.13 billion of Consol’s drilling costs over an eight year period. Noble will also buy a 50% stake in consol’s 70 million cubic feet per day of existing Marcellus production for $219 million. The spending will be capped at $400 million per year, and drops off when gas prices are below $4.

Utica News:
Companies and analysts can only speculate on what the future of the Utica Shale play will bring because of its early stage of development. Here is what some of the experts are saying:

- The Ohio Geological Survey calculates the Utica/Point Pleasant reserve potential estimate for Ohio of 1.96 billion to 8.2 billion barrels of oil equivalent.
- Audrey McClendon, CEO of Chesapeake, projects there to be 25 billion barrels of oil, natural gas, gas liquids, calling it “one of the biggest discoveries in U.S. history”. Chesapeake has already acquired 1.25 million acres above the Utica formation in eastern Ohio, and McClendon believes this land is worth $15 billion to $20 billion in increased value to the company.
- Deputy Chief of the Ohio Division of Mineral Resources Management, Tom Tugend, believes the Utica in Ohio is on a similar track to the Marcellus in Pennsylvania.
- In a recent report, Morgan Stanley analysts project the play has the potential to be on par with leading North American liquids-rich targets.

John Walker, CEO of EV Energy partners, told investors at IPAA’s OGIS symposium that the Utica “has the promise to be America’s next big shale play”. He emphasized the “thousands of jobs” that it will directly and indirectly create in Ohio.

Utica Production News:
On September 28, 2011, Chesapeake Energy Corporation released the following data on their initial horizontal well drilling results in both the wet and dry phases of the Utica Shale in Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania. They have drilled 12 wells in the discovery phase of the Utica shale with the following results on first four of those wells.

- The Buell 10-11-5 8H in Harrison County, Ohio was drilled to a lateral length of 6,418 feet and achieved a peak rate of 9.5 million cubic feet (mmcf) per day of natural gas and 1,425 barrels (bbls) per day of natural gas liquids and oil (liquids), or 3,010 barrels of oil equivalent (boe) per day;
- The Mangun 22-15-5 8H in Carroll County, Ohio was drilled to a lateral length of 6,231 feet and achieved a peak rate of 3.1 mmcf per day of natural gas and 1,015 bbls per day of liquids, or 1,530 boe per day;
- The Neider 10-14-5 3H in Carroll County, Ohio was drilled to a lateral length of 4,152 feet and achieved a peak rate of 3.8 mmcf per day of natural gas and 980 bbls per day of liquids, or 1,615 boe per day; and
- The Thompson 3H in Beaver County, Pennsylvania was drilled to a lateral length of 4,322 feet and achieved a peak rate of 6.4 mmcf per day of dry natural gas.

The production listed above assumes maximum ethane recovery.

Latest Utica Joint Ventures:

- Consol Energy Inc. entered into an agreement with Hess Corp. for the joint exploration and development of Consol’s 200,000 Utica Shale acres in Ohio. The total consideration to be paid by Hess for 50% on Consol’s fee and leased mineral interests in Ohio is $593 million, or $6,000 per net acre. The companies’ plan of jointly developing the Utica Shale assets calls for Hess to operate the liquids rich window of approximately 80,000 acres in Belmont, Harrison, Guernsey and Jefferson counties. Consol will operate elsewhere in Eastern Ohio including Portage, Tuscarawas, Mahoning counties, in the oil window, as well as Noble County. Hess also paid $750 million for the purchase of 85,000 acre Marquette Exploration LLC and other leases in the same week.
- EV Energy Partners, an upstream master limited partnership formed by Enervest in 2006, announced that they finalized an agreement with Chesapeake on a long term joint venture to develop the Utica Shale of Eastern Ohio. Chesapeake will operate about 40% of Enervest’s 780,000 net acres.

The link below is a good one to keep up with the events and concerns surrounding the Marcellus and Utica Play’s in the North East.

http://www.energyindepth.org/

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APPLICATIONS ON HAND

SOOGA is collecting applications from individuals interested in working the oil and gas industry. Please feel free to stop in any time Monday - Friday between 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. and find your new hire. Several of the applicants have stated their enthusiasm for the possibility of having their applications reviewed by members of the Southeastern Ohio Oil and Gas Association. Take advantage of being a member and use this service in place of or in addition to running advertisements in the classified section of the local papers. There are also resumes from the applicants that applied for the Executive Secretarial position being kept in the SOOGA office.

Your participation would be greatly appreciated.
Working Safely With Solvents

Solvents are used to dissolve other substances. They are normally used for jobs such as cleaning, degreasing and thinning various types of inks and paints. Most solvents are safe to use if you handle them correctly. But exposure to solvents can have long-term health effects when they are used improperly. Some common solvents you may use are:

- Gasoline
- Benzene
- Turpentine
- Acetone
- Carbon Tetrachloride

Questions to ask before using a solvent:

1. Is it flammable?
2. What are its upper and lower explosive limits?
3. What is the solvent’s permissible exposure limit (PEL) - the amount of solvent in the air you can safely be exposed to?
4. How do I properly store unused portions of the solvent?
   - What PPE is required with this solvent?

Guidelines For Use:

- Substitute. Use products containing less hazardous ingredients. Some solvents are toxic while others are practically non-toxic. Check the MSDS for detailed information.
- Use the smallest feasible amounts of solvents.
- Be sure to use the right type of neoprene or rubber gloves for the solvent you’re using; otherwise, the solvent may dissolve your gloves.
- Avoid putting your hands into solvent, even with gloves on. Use a tool instead.
- Face masks, such as dust masks or surgical masks, do not protect against organic vapors. If exposure cannot be prevented in any other way, wear a respirator with a cartridge approved for the solvent.
- Use fans, hoods, and other available ventilation systems.
- Store solvents in grounded containers in a well-ventilated area away from direct sunlight, other heat sources, and oxidizers.
- If solvent splashes on unprotected skin, wash it off immediately under running water.
- Splashes in the eyes should be flushed at an eyewash station for 15 to 20 minutes.
- Solvent vapors are absorbed through the lungs and rapidly reach the brain. Breathing and heart rate are reduced. Repeated or deep inhalation can result in an ‘overdose’ which can cause disorientation, loss of control and finally unconsciousness, although solvent users usually recover quickly from these effects. At small doses solvents produce a drunken like stupor. At larger doses solvents may cause hallucinations.

Physical Hazards

To know the dangers of solvents, you need to know their physical characteristics. Most solvents evaporate quickly, creating a breathing and explosion hazard. The vapors of solvents can ignite under certain conditions:

- Flammable solvents ignite at a temperature under 100°F (37.8°C) when they are exposed to a spark, flame or static electricity.

Because many solvent vapors are heavier than air, they tend to concentrate near the floor. Check the MSDS for the specific vapor density of the solvent you will be using.

Health Hazards

Because of their nature, solvents tend to be easily absorbed through the lungs, skin and eyes.

- They penetrate the protective oils of your skin, causing extreme irritation, dryness, infection or contact dermatitis.
- Splashes in the eyes result in burning, watery eyes, redness and irritation.
- Chronic exposure to solvent vapors may cause blurred vision, a gritty feeling in the eyes and permanent eye damage.

If you breathe in too much solvent vapor, you may feel nose and throat irritation, dizziness, headache or nausea or even stop breathing.

- Prolonged breathing of solvent vapors can cause serious lung, liver, kidney and nervous-system damage.

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Sustainable Productivity
Ohio has studied what has happened in other states and wants to avoid what's occurring in New York and Pennsylvania, Kasich said. New York has not approved any wells, and Pennsylvania has encountered problems, including contaminated drinking water wells and frightened residents. Ohio wants to be somewhere between those two extremes, the governor said. Ohio expects to impose impact fees that would be assessed on drillers to correct any problems that arise, Kasich said, but those plans are incomplete. The state is confident its laws on drilling are strong enough to minimize problems.

Kasich said drilling could create jobs directly, and companies that serve the drilling operations might add jobs, too. The day-long Canton expo, billed as a business-to-business showcase, included 150 firms with displays. By early afternoon, more than 1,500 people had visited, said spokeswoman Kristy Hawthorne of the Granville-based Ohio Oil and Gas Association.

The event was organized because many out-of-state drilling companies are coming into Ohio. The event gives them a chance to meet and interact with Ohio firms, said Tom Stewart, executive vice president of the statewide group. Companies on hand ranged from law firms to uniform companies. There were firms offering trucks, engines, hydraulics, pipes, welding, water treatment, pumps and tanks. A grass seed company also attended. Sponsors included Chesapeake Energy and Ergon Oil Purchasing Inc.

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Conservationist Hanna supports gas drilling in Pa.

By The Associated Press
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ALTOONA, Pa.—Conservationist and TV personality Jack Hanna said he supports natural gas drilling and he's going to talk about the issue at his conservation center. At a talk in Altoona on Tuesday, Hanna said he plans to incorporate discussions of a drilling process called hydraulic fracturing, or fracking, into the tours he gives at his 10,000-acre southeastern Ohio conservation center, which has drilling sites nearby. "We need the resource, and we can't be captives to our environment," Hanna told The Altoona Mirror… (http://bit.ly/ntKYrp).
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