UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): May 19, 2005

Kirby Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1-7615

(Commission File Number)

74-1884980

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

55 Waugh Drive, Suite 1000 Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

77007 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 435-1000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 19, 2005, Kirby Corporation's senior management will make a presentation to investors and analysts from 2:00 p.m. (Eastern time) until approximately 5:20 p.m. (Eastern time) in New York City. A live webcast of the presentation will be available to the public and replays will be available afterward. The webcast can be accessed by visiting Kirby's Web site at http://www.kirbycorp.com/ or by following the link below and selecting the streaming audio option:

http://invite.mshow.com/findshow.aspx?usertype=0&cobrand=100&shownumber=235506

Reference: Kirby Corporation Analyst Day, show number 235506

A copy of the slide presentation that will be used by Kirby at the event, substantially in the form intended to be used, is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is also posted on Kirby's Web site at http://kirbycorp.com/ in the Investor Relations section under Investor and Analyst Meeting, May 19, 2005.

The program will also include presentations by the Waterways Council, Inc. on the U.S. inland waterway system infrastructure, by Chemical Market Associates, Inc. (CMAI) on the outlook for the petrochemical industry and by Purvin & Gertz, Inc. on the refined products market. As a convenience to interested persons, and without any express or implied endorsement by Kirby, copies of prepared materials for those three presentations are available on Kirby's Web site in the Investor Relations section under Investor and Analyst Meeting, May 19, 2005. Waterways Council, Inc., CMAI and Purvin & Gertz, Inc. is each solely responsible for its own presentation. The information, analysis and opinions contained in those three presentations are those of the presenting organizations alone. Kirby has no responsibility for the content of any of those presentations.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Kirby Corporation slide presentation dated May 19, 2005

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

KIRBY CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ G. STEPHEN HOLCOMB

G. Stephen Holcomb Vice President, Investor Relations

Dated: May 19, 2005

Kirby Corporation slide presentation dated May 19, 2005

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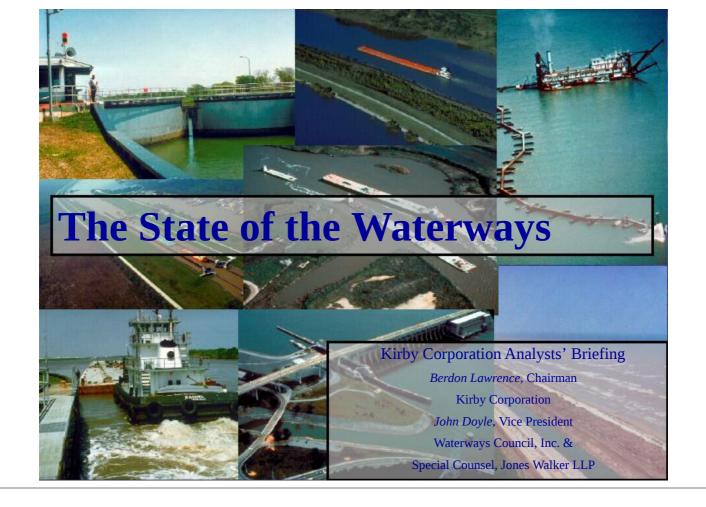


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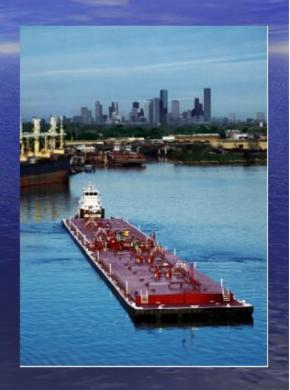
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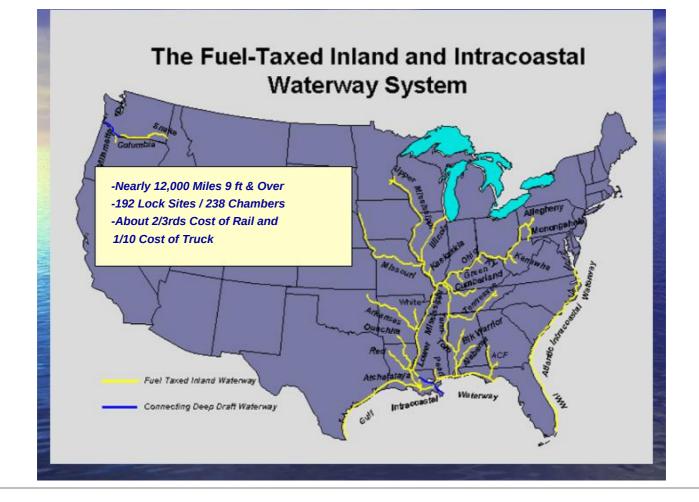


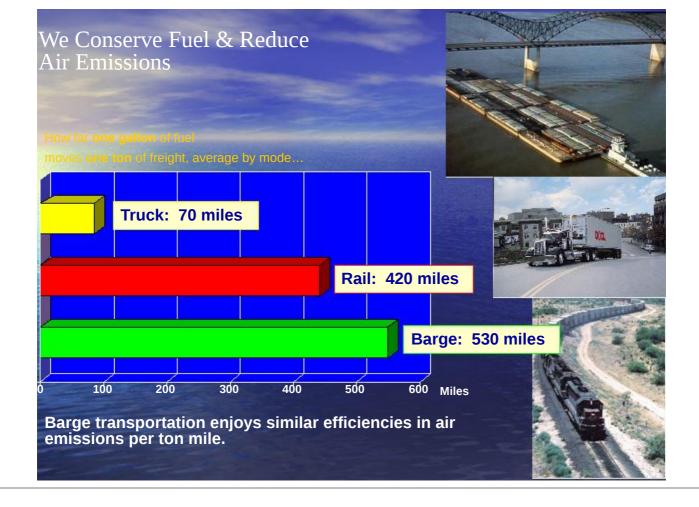
The waterways are an American success story:

- They helped make America great
- They create and maintain good agricultural and manufacturing iobs
- But, our leaders in Washington began to take them for granted
- So, industry and agriculture organized to defend and improve the waterways
- We have been successful so far
- The outlook is positive

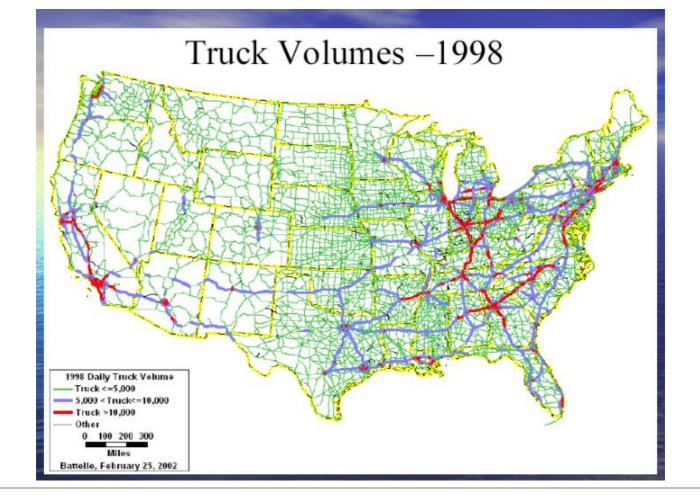


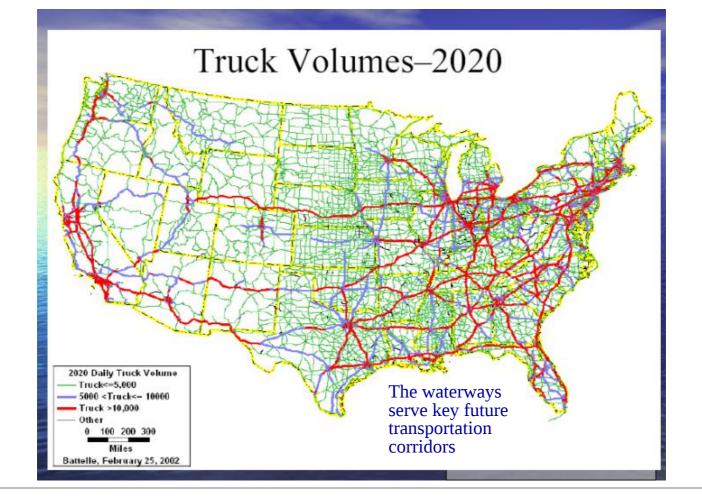


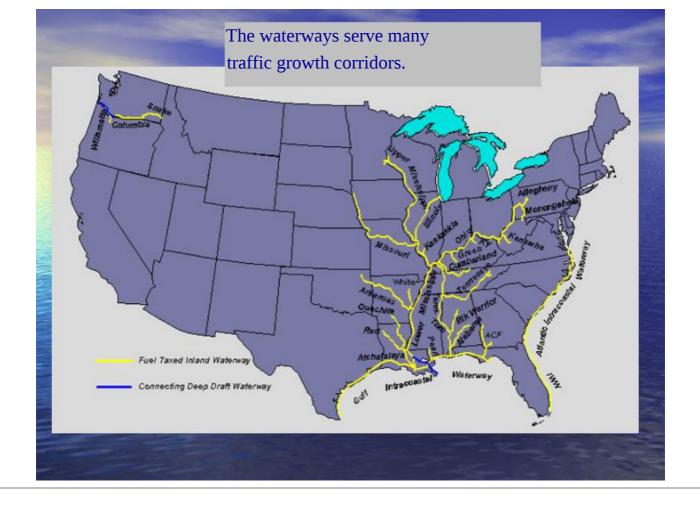




We offer a solution to Congestion: Compare... Cargo Capacity JUMBO HOPPER CAR 100 TON 3,500 BUSHELS ONE BARGE 1,500 TON 52,500 BUSHELS 453,600 GALLONS ONE 15 BARGE TOW 22,500 TON 787,500 BUSHELS 180 CAR TRAIN UNIT 10,000 TON 350,000 BUSHELS LARGE SEMI 26 TON 910 BUSHELS 6,804,000 GALLONS 30,240 GALLONS 3,024,000 GALLONS 7,865 GALLONS **Equivalent Units** ONE BARGE 15 JUMBO HOPPER CARS 58 LARGE SEMIS ONE 15 BARGE TOW 870 LARGE SEMIS **Equivalent Lengths** ONE 15 BARGE TOW 2.25 100 CAR TRAIN UNITS 870 LARGE SEMIS .25 MILES 2.75 MILES 11.5 MILES (BUMPER TO BUMPER)

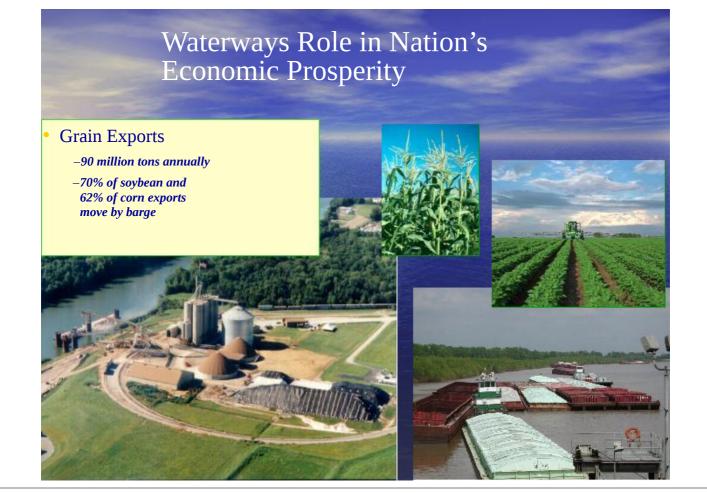


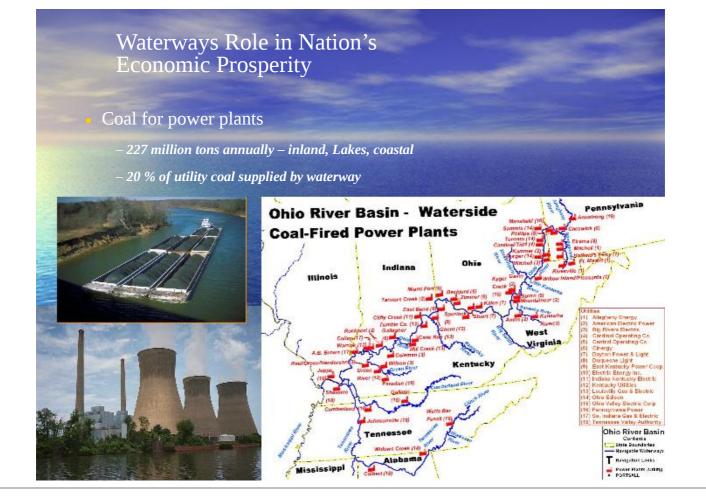


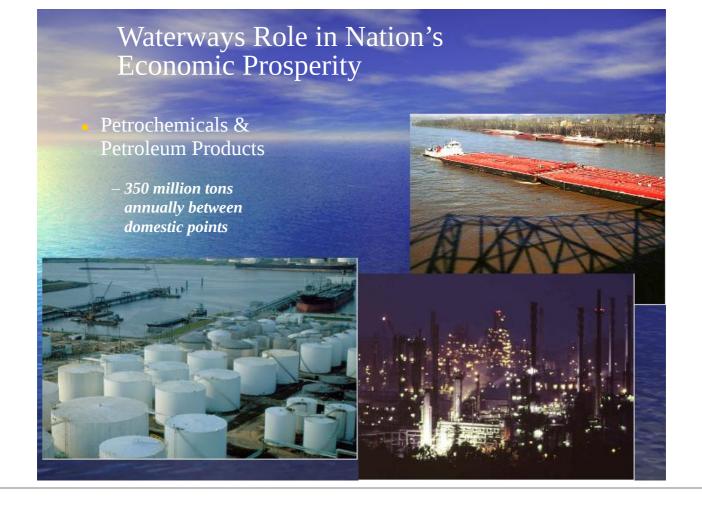


America's Waterways Advantage • American farmers and industries compete in a tough global marketplace – If you get the goods to the customer cheaper, you get the sale – Efficient, low cost waterways transportation reduces total costs and allows us to compete • The Result: American exports win and vital, high paying jobs stay here!









We are having success... ...because we have a good story to tell • Keeping our industries and farmers competitive in a very tough global marketplace preserves U.S. jobs Reduces congestion on our highways This is an easy story to understand, but somebody has to tell it to the Washington lawmakers.



The waterway community response:



Waterways Work! was formed in 2001 to counter negative publicity about the industry

In 2003, Waterways Work merged with DINAMO, the Association for the Ohio Valley, and formed the Waterways Council, Inc.



The Waterways Council, Inc.:

- •Professional staff based in Washington, DC
- •Media relations team
- •Annual budget now over \$1 million
- Active member involvement
- •Dedicated lobbying team Jones Walker/Livingston Group



Who are WCI Members?

- All waterway business

 - Shippers
 - Waterways Service Providers
 - Port Authorities & Governmental Entities
 - Regional Associations
- Geographically Diverse

- All major commodity groups:
 - Oil, chemical and petrochemical
 - Grain
 - Coal
 - Building Materials
 - Steel, Aluminum and Ore
 - Containers







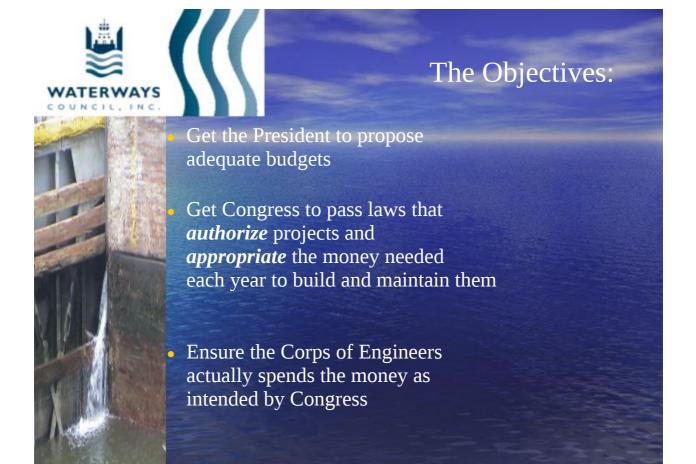








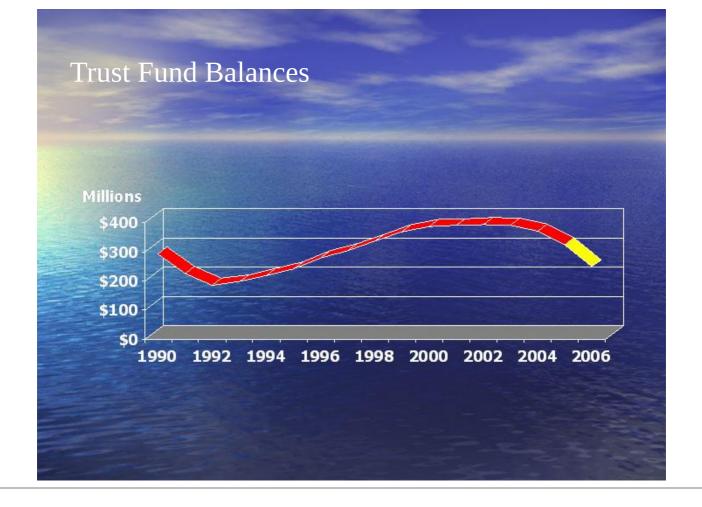


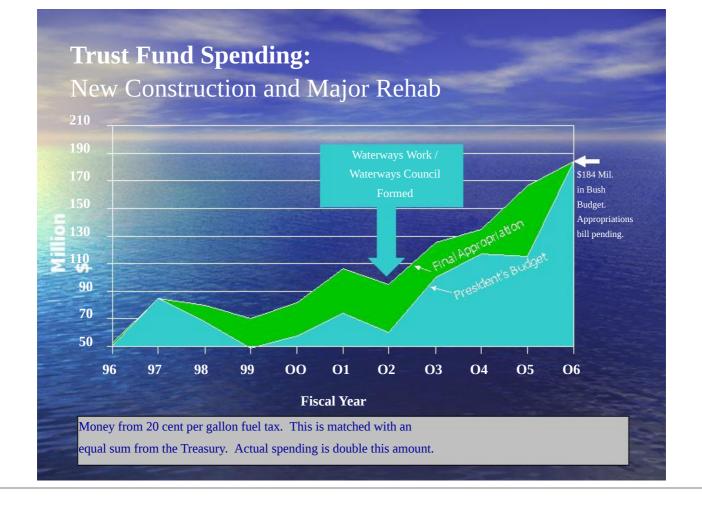




Inland Waterways Trust Fund

Year	Estimated Outlays	Tax Revenues	Interest Earnings	Year-End Balances					
	(\$Millions)								
1990	117.3	62.8	26.2	292.8					
1991	148.6	60.5	21.2	225.9					
1992	122.7	69.9	13.7	186.7					
1993	74.5	78.6	7.5	198.3					
1994	75.7	88.4	9.3	220.2					
1995	94.8	103.4	13.3	242.1					
1996	85.5	108.4	15.6	280.6					
1997	89.5	96.4	17.0	304.6					
1998	76.9	91.1	18.3	337.1					
1999	88.2	104.4	16.0	369.2					
2000	102.4	99.6	20.0	387.8					
2001	120.3	102.6	20.9	390.9					
2002	104.5	95.3	12.4	394.1					
2003	101.6	89.5	9.5	391.6					
2004	117.3	90.8	6.9	372.0					
*2005	146.0	92.0	7.0	325.0					



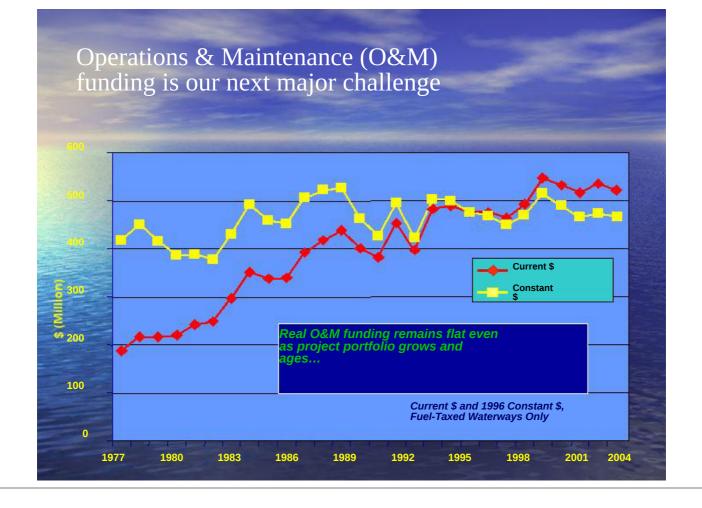


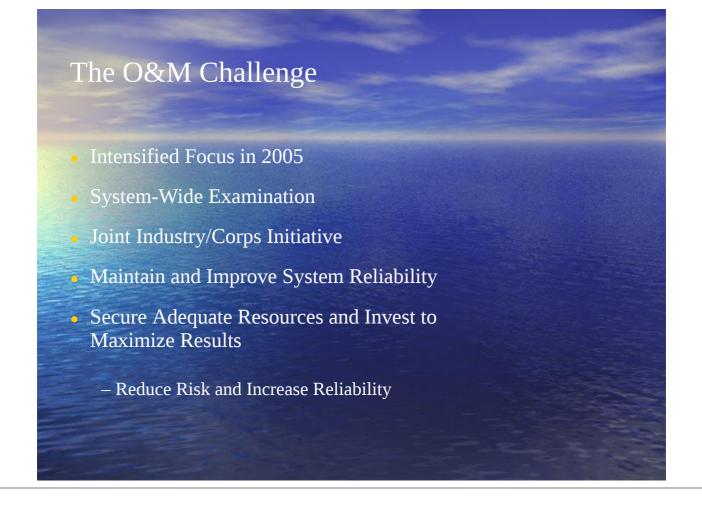


Inland Waterways Trust Fund Appropriations Comparison (5 in millions)

	FY 2002 Enacted	FY 2003 Enacted	FY 2004 Enacted	FY 2005 Enacted	FY 2006 Request	% Difference (05 vs. 02)	% Difference (06 vs. 02)
Construction General	1,712	1,745	1,731	1,782	1,637	4.1	(-4.4)
Inland Waterways Trust Fund	189	253	270	332	368	75.7	94.7
Corps Civil Works Total	4,650	4,699	4,563	4,668	4,513	0.4	(-2.9)

Goals for Fiscal Year 2006 Appropriations: • At least \$300 million (\$150 million from the Inland Waterways Trust Fund) for Building Priority Projects • An additional \$100 million above the President's budget for inland navigation Operations and Maintenance priority needs

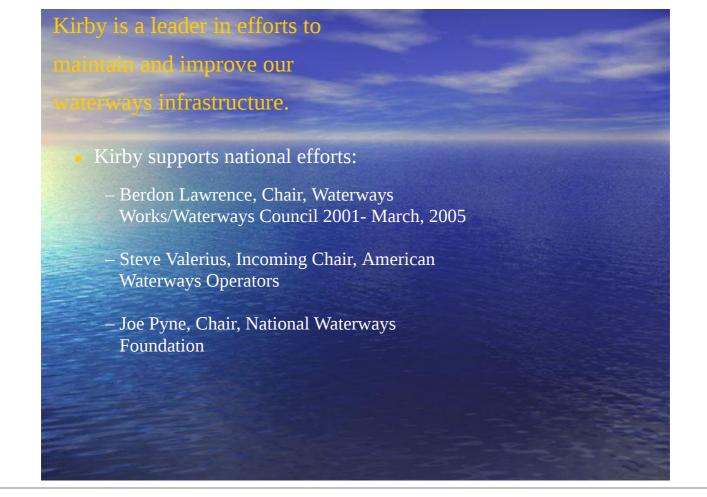






Industry/Corps O&M Workshops • Identify most pressing problems from perspective of Corps and industry • Allocate resources to address most pressing needs • We are committed to both short term and long term solutions to navigational issues









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Kirby Forward Looking Statement

Statements contained in this presentation with respect to the future are forward-looking statements. These statements reflect management's reasonable judgement with respect to future events. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated as a result of various factors, including cyclical or other downturns in demand, significant pricing competition, unanticipated additions to industry capacity, changes in the Jones Act or in U.S. maritime policy and practice, fuel costs, interest rates, weather conditions and the timing, magnitude and the number of acquisitions made by Kirby. A list of additional risk factors can be found in Kirby's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

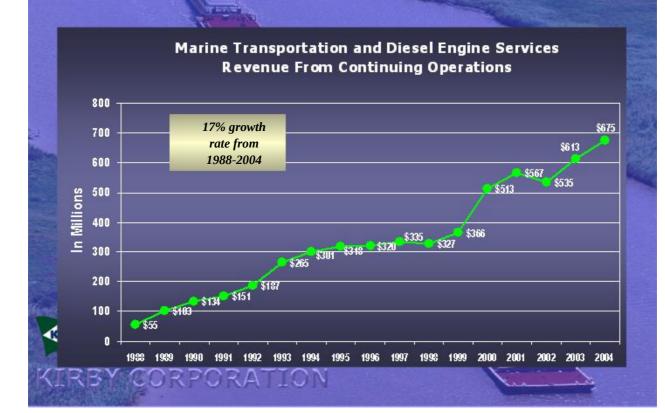
Kirby reports its financial results in accordance with generally accepted financial principles (GAAP). However, Kirby believes that certain Non-GAAP financial measures are useful in managing Kirby's businesses and evaluating Kirby's performance. This presentation contains two Non-GAAP financial measures, adjusted net earnings and EBITDA. Please see the Appendix for a reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP financial measures.





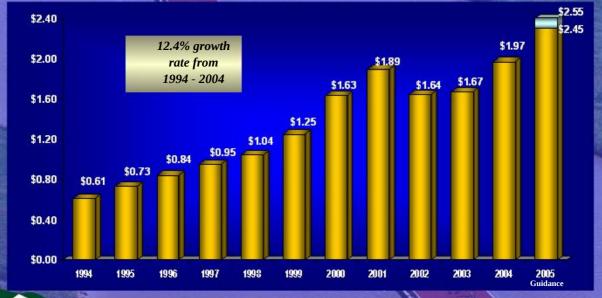
Kirby Facts Largest inland tank barge operator Operates 878 barges and 239 towing vessels Sustainable competitive advantages: Lowest cost due to economies of scale Best positioned for growth opportunities "One Stop Shop" for customers 70% of Kirby's business is under contract, 30% spot market Successful integration of 23 acquisitions

Revenue... Business Operations



Earnings Per Share...

Earnings Per Share From Continuing Operations Before Adjustments



KIRBY 1994-2001 adjusted to exclude goodwill amortization expense

2002 adjusted to exclude impairment charges of \$12.5 million, net of taxes, or \$.51 per share

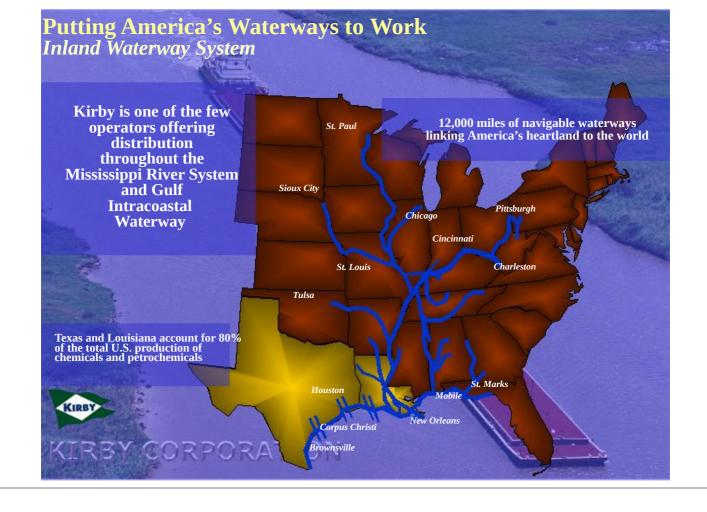
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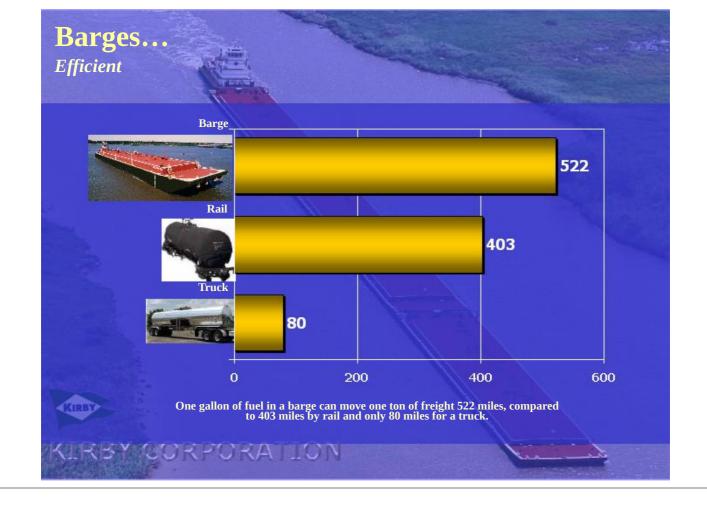












Barges... Environmentally Friendly

- Smog is a major problem in most major cities
- Oxides of nitrogen are the chemicals that produce smog

While moving one ton of freight 1,000 miles:



Trains produce 3.5 *times* as much oxides of nitrogen as barges



Trucks produce 19 *times* as much oxides of nitrogen as barges

Why has Kirby not benefited more from the problems that rail and trucks are having with their infrastructure? What has been the cost of security measures required by the Homeland Security Act? What are the prospects for an acquisition this year? KIRBY CORPORATION

Kirby Outpaces the Competition

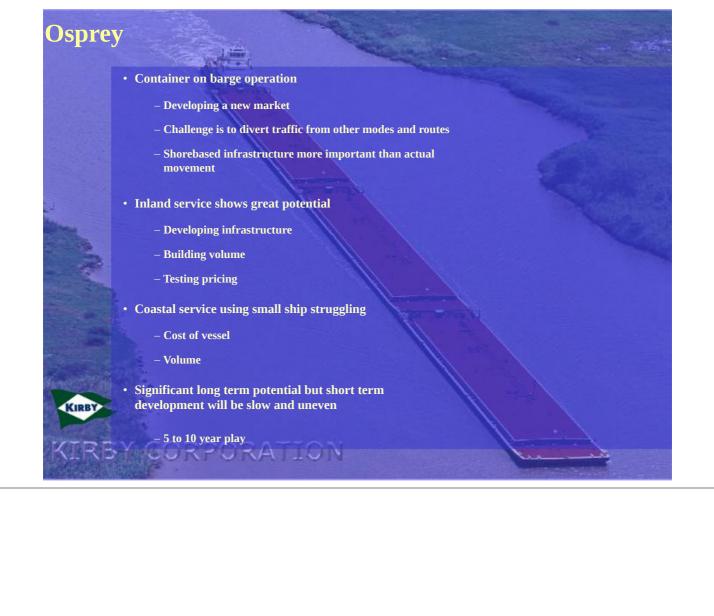
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Kirby Corporation	878	
American Commercial Lines LLC	379	2,861
Marathon Ashland Petroleum	167	
Ingram Barge Company	165	3,468
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Higman Barge Lines, Inc.	77	-
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PPG Industries, Inc.	59	-
Martin Midstream Partners	55	
Southern Towing Company	53	-
Settoon Towing, LLC	49	-
LeBeouf Brothers Towing Co	43	-
John W. Stone Oil	31	
Dupont	30	-
Olin Corporation	26	
Buffalo Marine Service, Inc.	22	
River City Towing Services	19	-
Rhodia, Inc.	19	
Lyondell Chemical Company	17	

Sparks Companies, March 2005

Shipper Owned Independent	Tank Barges Operated	Dry Cargo Barges Operated
Dynegy Midstream Services	16	-
Waxler Towing Company, Inc.	15	
Highland Towing	15	- 1
ConocoPhillips Company	15	- "
Plaquemine Towing Corp.	13	-
Houston Marine Services, Inc.	13	-
Devall Towing	12	- 9
Chem Carriers, Inc.	11	- 1
Westlake/GA&O Corporation	10	- 1
Merichem Company	8	-
Grifco	8	-
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Republic of Texas	6	-
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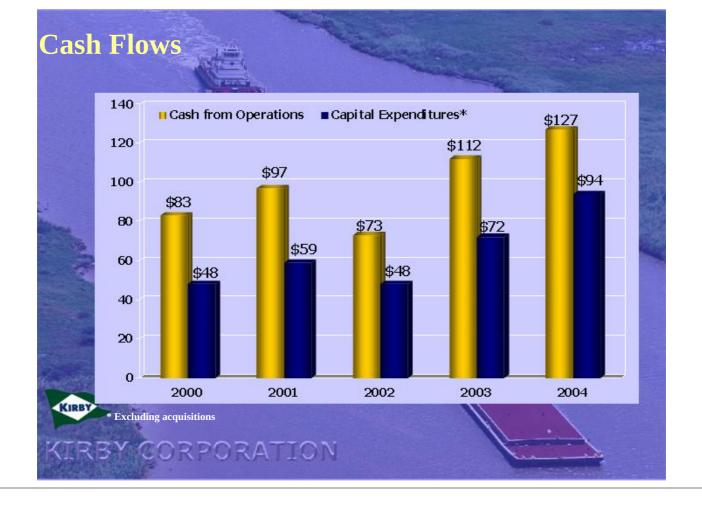
For Three Months Ended March 31

			Change From 2004	
Income Statement	2005	2004	\$	%
Revenues: Marine Transportation Diesel Engine Services	\$157.2M 	\$135.5M 	\$21.7M 5.4	16%
Total Operating Income:	\$184.4	\$157.3	\$27.1	_17%
Marine Transportation Diesel Engine Services Corporate Expenses	\$ 23.9 3.5 (2.0) 25.4	\$ 16.9 2.4 (1.9) 17.4	\$ 7.0 1.1 <u>(.1)</u> 8.0	41% 46% (5)% 47%
Other Income (Expense)	(.9)	.5	(1.4)	(280)%
Interest Expense Pre-tax Earnings	<u>(3.1)</u> 21.4	<u>(3.4)</u> 14.5	6.9	<u>9%</u> 48%
Taxes Net Earnings	_(8.1) \$ 13.3	<u>(5.5)</u> \$ 9.0	(2.6) \$ 4.3	<u>(47)%</u> <u>48%</u>
Earnings Per Share	\$.52	\$.36	\$.16	44%



EBITDA Per Share Growth EBITDA Per Share From Continuing Operations Before Adjustments \$5.89 \$6.00 \$5.62 \$5.47 \$5.30 11.2% growth \$5.06 rate from \$5.00 1994 - 2004 \$4.00 \$3.17 \$3.40 \$4.00 \$3.00 \$2.51 \$2.04 \$2.00 \$1.00 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004

See Appendix for reconciliation of GAAP net earnings to Non-GAAP EBITDA





Balance Sheet

	3/31/05	12/31/04	Change
Assets			
Current Assets	\$ 150M	\$ 140M	\$ 10M
Property & Equipment	583	574	9
Goodwill	161	161	-
Other Assets	_28	_30	(2)
Total Assets	<u>\$ 922</u> M	<u>\$ 905</u> M	<u>\$ 17</u> M
Liabilities & Equity			
Current Liabilities	\$ 118M	\$ 103M	\$ 15M
Total Debt	205	219	(14)
Other Liabilities	144	148	(4)
Stockholders' Equity	<u>455</u>	<u>435</u>	_20
Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>\$ 922</u> M	<u>\$ 905</u> M	<u>\$ 17</u> M
Debt to Capitalization	31.1%	33.4%	





Interest Rate Risk Approximately \$200 million of outstanding debt Floating rate private placement maturing 2013 S150 million bank revolving credit maturing December 2007 (expandable to \$225 million) \$150 million hedged against interest rate movements S50 million hedged until May 2009 S100 million hedged until February 2013 Total cost of debt in Q1 2005 averaged 6.0%

Section 404 Completed first annual assessment of internal controls over financial reporting No material weaknesses No significant deficiencies Clean opinion from KPMG Total cost for 2004 compliance - \$1 million plus 2005 Compliance Minimal effort to update controls Testing of controls PCAOB and SEC rule changes expected to reduce projected time and cost

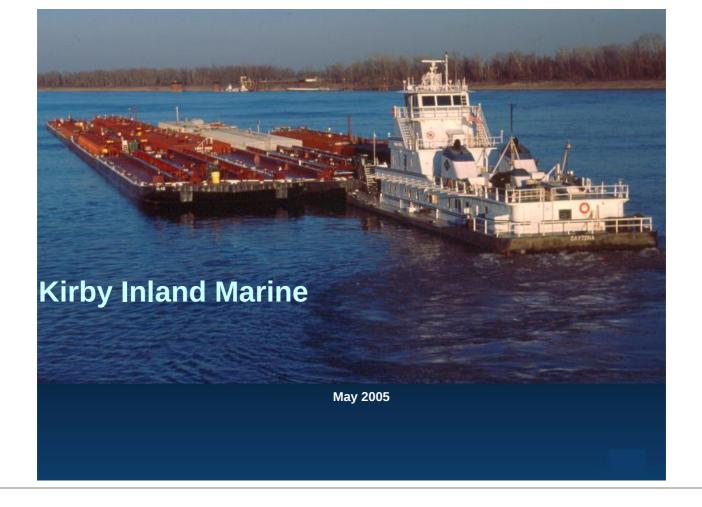


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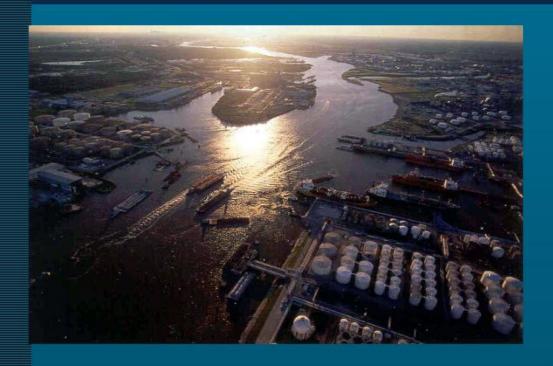
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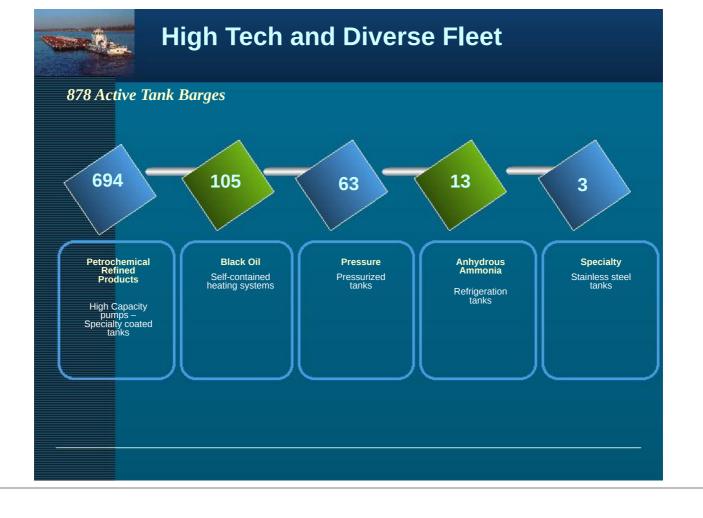


Focus Industry Fleet Profile Logistics Management Marine Workforce











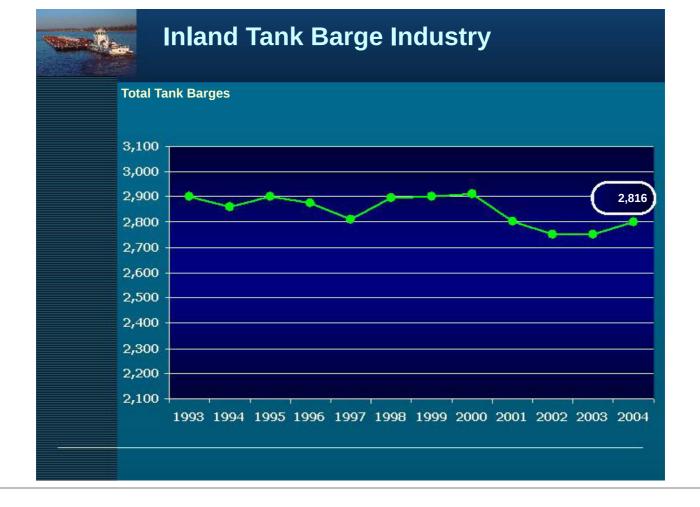
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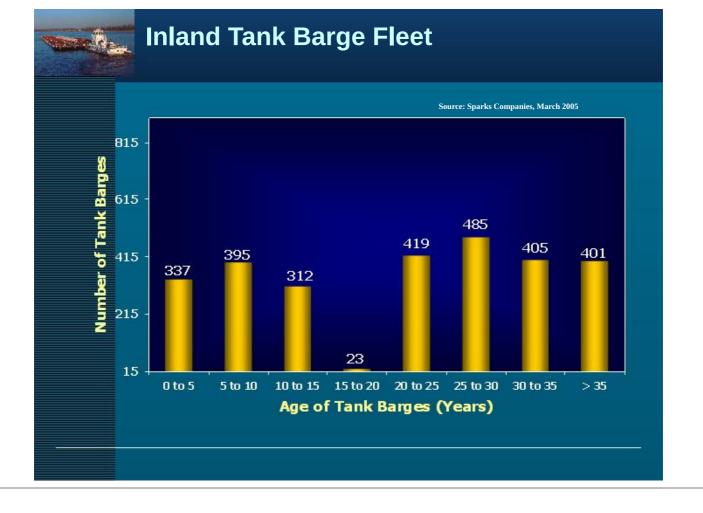
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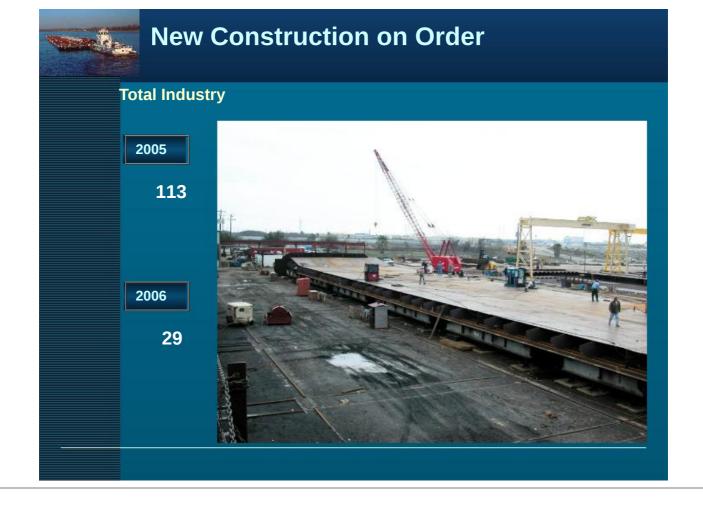
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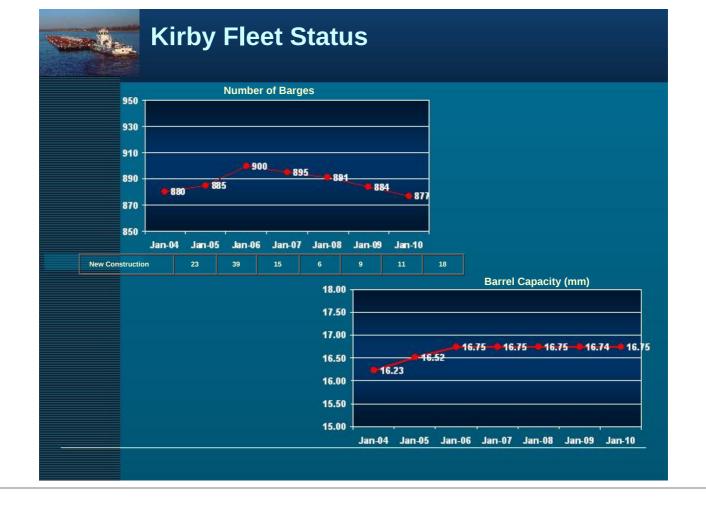














10,000 bbl – Clean	\$1.0M
30,000 bbl – Clean	\$2.1M
30,000 bbl – Heated Black Oil	\$2.7M





New Construction Cost Components

Construction labor	38%
Steel, steel products	37%
Components	17%
Engineering	8%
	100%







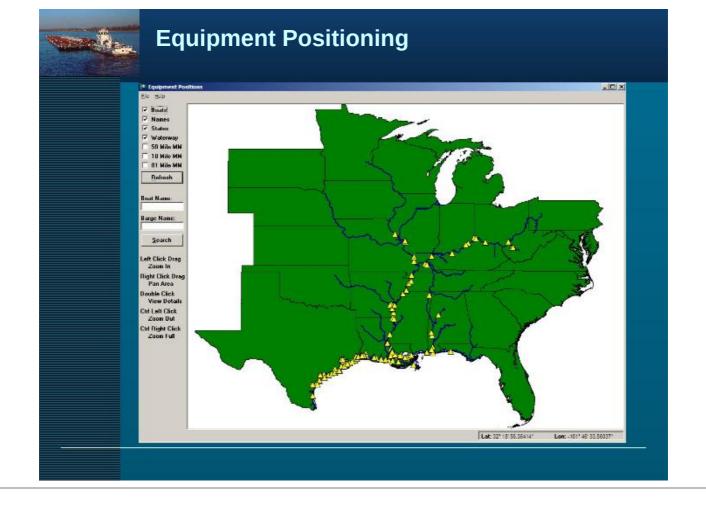


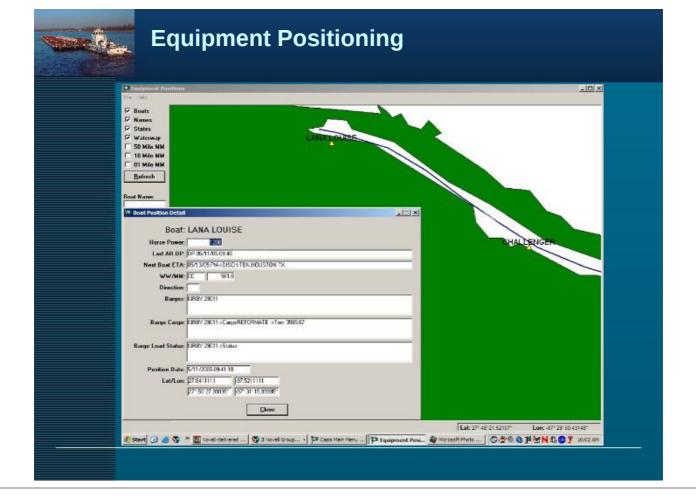
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Logistics Management

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- Kirby's software automatically selects least cost communications route
- Communication system allows Kirby to effortlessly comply with new security regulations



Recruit, Train and Retain

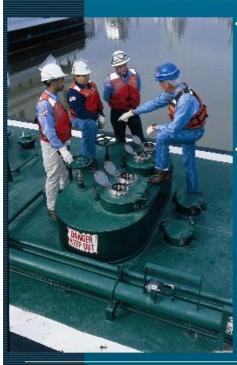
- Focus on Safety
- Recruit
- Train to be the best
- Retain skilled personnel
- Offer excellent pay and benefits
- Provide advancement opportunity
- Foster community environment







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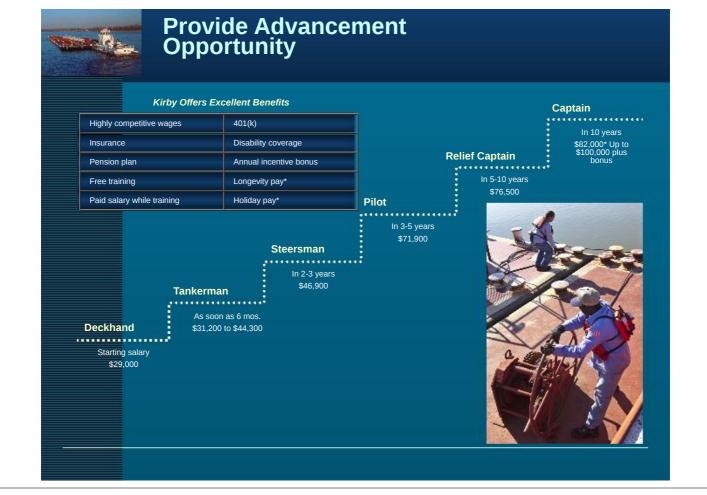
- Hire the right people
- Provide opportunity in rural areas with weak job markets
- Comprehensive screening
- **Training and Development**
 - Only company-owned and operated Training Center in industry
 - U.S. Coast Guard-approved programs
 - Provide safety and job skill training
 - Steersmen Training Program ensures lower turnover



Recruit, Train and Retain

- Retain skilled personnel
 - Retain 30% we hire licensed from the outside
 - Retain 90% of the personnel we train in our program from deckhand to pilot





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The Diesel Engine Service Market







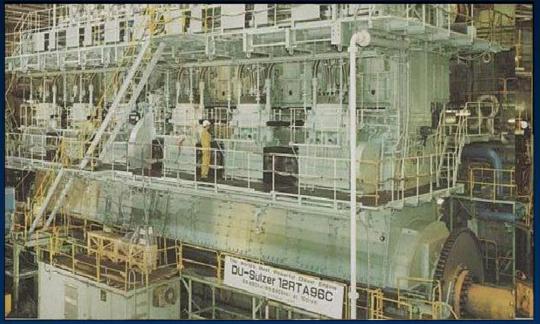


Basic Diesel Engine Types

	Engine Speed	Horsepower Range	Applications	Manufacturers
Slow Speed	Less than 400 RPM	7,000 – 108,000 hp	Large diesel-powered ocean going tankers, cruise ships, container ships and cargo carriers	Man B&W, Sulzer, Wartsila
Medium Speed	400 – 1,000 RPM	800 – 32,000 hp	Locomotives, inland towing, ocean towing, oil services, harbor towing, fishing, power generation	EMD, GE, Caterpillar/MAK, MAN B&W, Colt-Pielstick, Wartsila
High Speed	Over 1,000 RPM	50 – 8,375 hp	On- and off-road trucks and equipment, oil services, inland towing, power generation, locomotives	Caterpillar, Cummins, MTU, Mitsubishi, Volvo, John Deere



Slow Speed Diesel Engine





Medium Speed Diesel Engine





High Speed Diesel Engine





Marine Engines

	No. of Engines*	% of Outstanding Population
EMD	4,500	39%
Detroit Diesel	3,300	29%
Caterpillar	2,400	21%
Cummins	1,200	11%

^{*} Estimated marine engines

What We Do

- Sell new & remanufactured OEM parts
 - EMD and Alco medium speed diesel engines
 - Caterpillar, Cummins and Detroit Diesel high speed diesel engines in Midwest market
- Provide skilled labor & specialty services
 - Diesel engine repairs, overhauls & rebuilding
 - Marine reduction gear repairs & overhauls





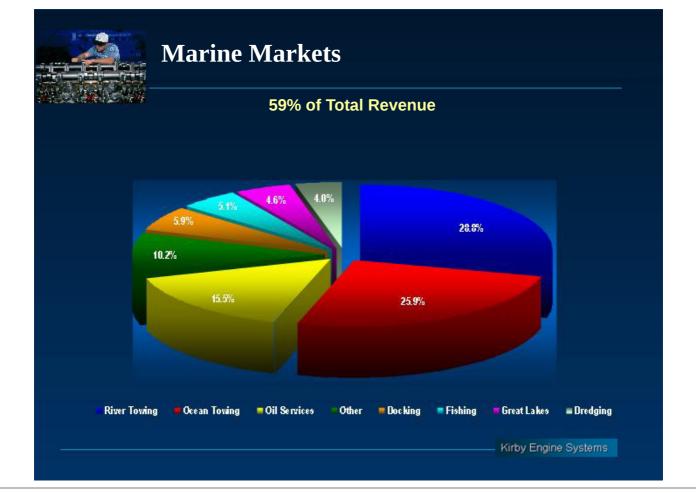
Revenue Sources

- Part Sales (51%)
 - New parts
 - Nuclear parts dedication
 - Rebuilt parts
- Services (49%)
 - Complete overhauls to OEM specifications
 - ABS certified block welding
 - In-place machining
 - Laser alignment
 - Troubleshooting
 - Preventive maintenance
 - Engine controls modifications



Top Ten Customers

- America Electric Power (AEP)
- Amtrak
- Crowley
- ENSCO (ESV)
- Exelon (EXC)
- Ingram Barge Company
- Maritrans (TUG)
- Moran Towing
- New Jersey Transit
- Tidewater, Inc. (TDW)



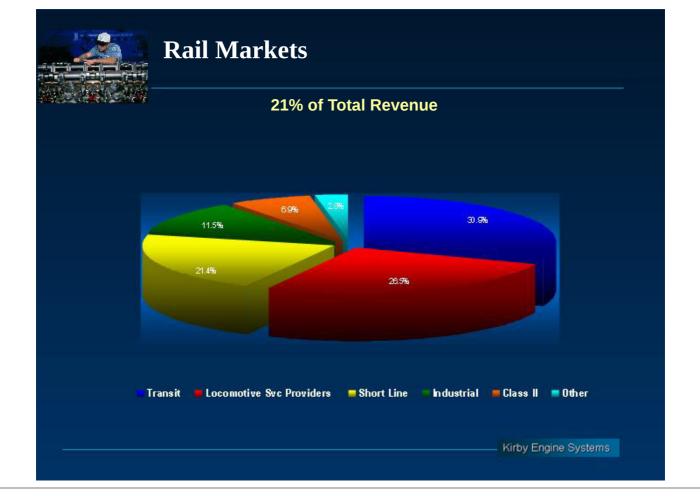


Marine Market Drivers

Market Drivers

- Chemicals, petrochemicals, fertilizer, black oil, refined products, grain, coal, cement & steel
- General import/export activity
 - Containers
 - Break bulk
- Exploration and drilling





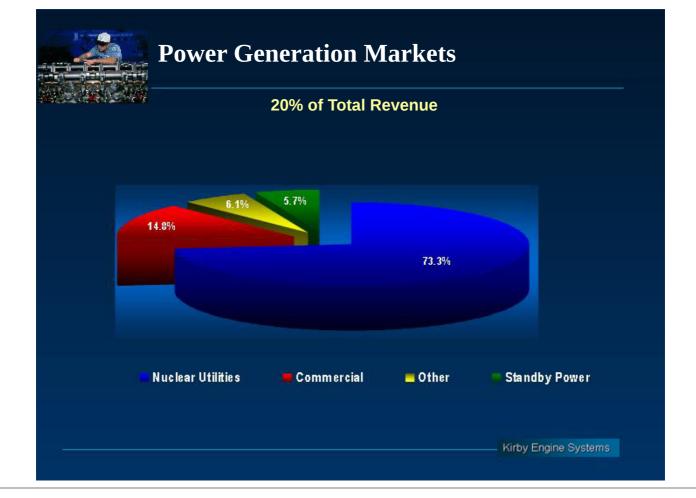


Rail Market Drivers

Market Drivers

- Commuter demand
- Chemicals, petrochemicals, fertilizer, black oil, grain, coal, cement, automotive and steel
- Containers







Power Generation Market Drivers

• Market Drivers

- Increasing electrical demand
- Nuclear license renewals
- Technology upgrades/modifications
- $-\ Maintenance\ outsourcing$



Growth Opportunities

- Organic
 - Emissions Reduction Programs new services to existing customers
 - Term Maintenance Contracts
- Acquisition
 - Competitors
- High Speed Diesel Engine Services
 - Engine Populations
 - New product lines for existing customers
 - New product lines for new customers

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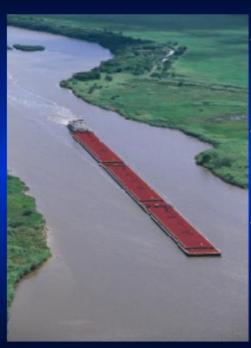
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- 40,000 ft Global Economic view, petrochemical cycle, new investment
- 10,000 ft Changing role of U.S. olefins industry, impact on feedstocks & derivatives
- River Level Bottom line, things are changing, but liquid movements expected to trend higher



Current Global Market Conditions...

Chemicals & plastics markets are in a full revival mode

Economic recovery firmly entrenched – especially in Asia & Americas.

The rate of new capacity additions increasing but remaining measured

Hyper natural gas & oil markets maintaining high price levels



Producers leveraged their position of market strength, improved profitability regardless of cost changes



The Economic Outlook Next Two Years

Global Expansion Remains Firmly Entrenched

Recovery still responding to several stimuli

Developed Country consumption remains strong

Short-term Outlook Is Somewhat Tempered

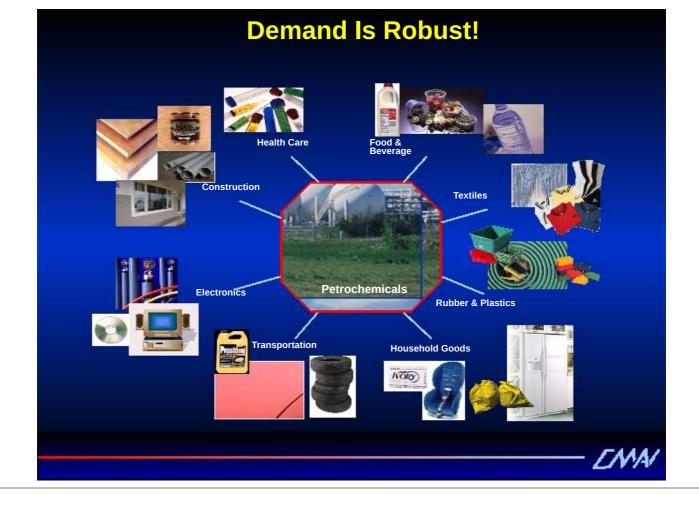
Developing world healthy, Japan and Europe slowing Geopolitical Uncertainties & High Energy are a big negative Services Sector still very strong. Can China moderate?

Sustained by Longer-term Supporting Strengths

Monetary and Fiscal policies imply continuation Moderately higher interest rates are still simulative Banking Systems supportive and functioning well International trade still gaining momentum (WTO)







Impact of High Energy Prices

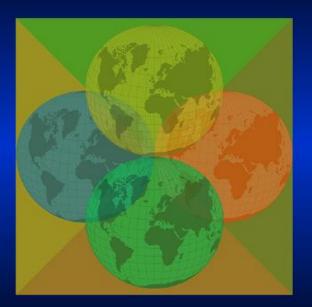


- Economies have underperformed by about 0.75 points
- Extreme volatility
- Declining energy prices will be supportive of economic growth in 2007 - 2009

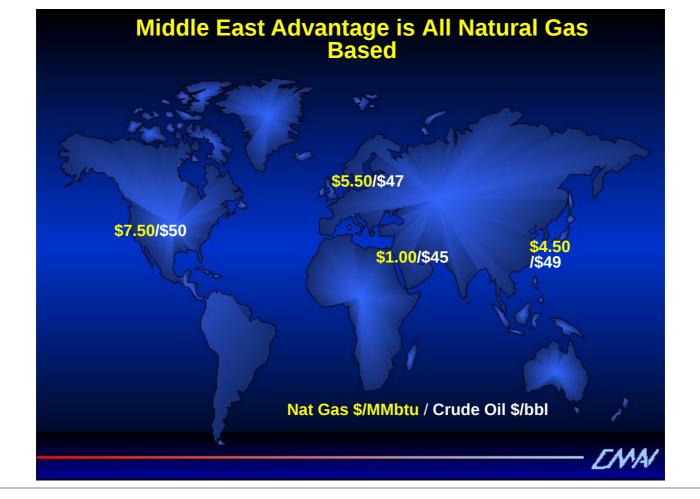


Feedstock Cost: Impacts all Regions (well, some more than others...)

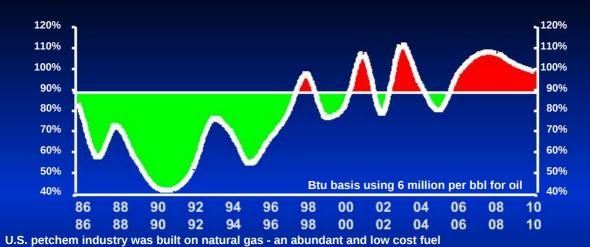
- Dramatic Increase in North America with higher natural gas prices
- Up in West Europe, Latin America & Asia with \$50+ per barrel crude oil
- Middle East remains the lowest







Ratio of Natural Gas vs. Crude Oil Price in the U.S.



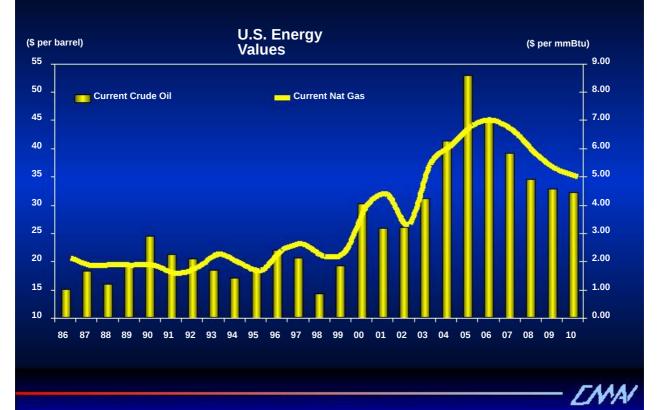
Environmental emphasis was not offset with sufficient supply incentives

Drilling (replacement) rates have not maintained pace - steady demand growth

Market will produce sufficient supply/demand reaction – at best, back to parity (Conservation – Demand Switching – LNG Terminals – Northern Gas)



Market Forces Will Eventually Return Energy Prices To Fundamental Levels (Greenspan April-05)



Sector Leverages High Energy Prices...

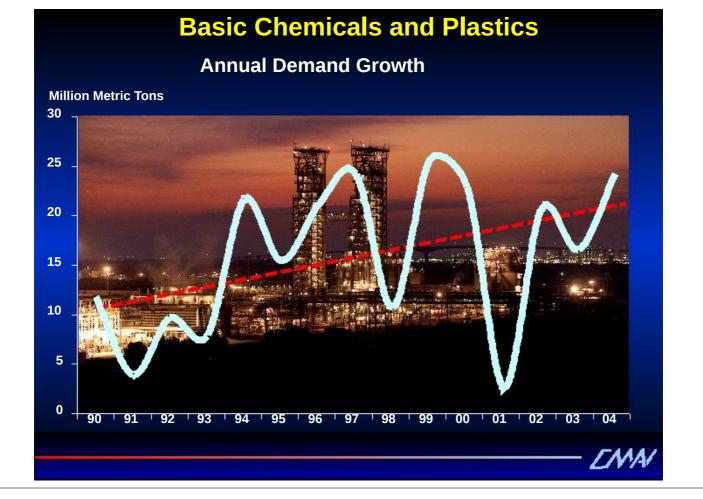


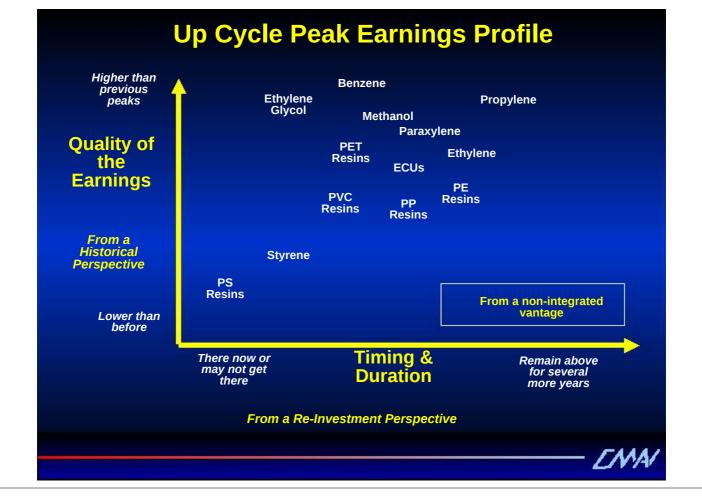
Rising crude oil prices impact chemicals sector earnings most severely in periods of oversupply

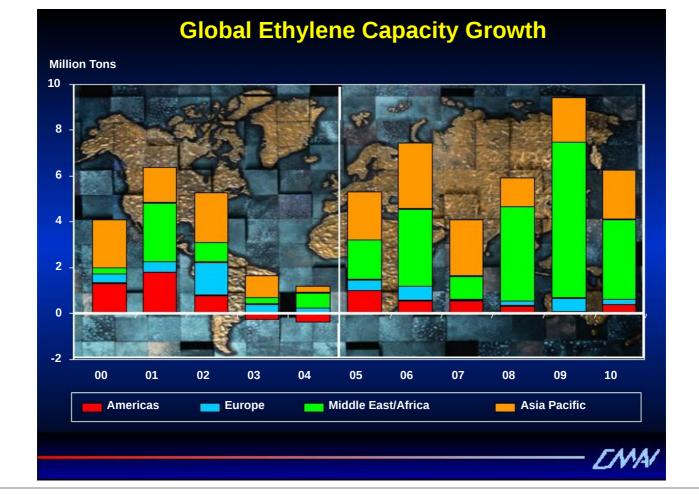
Strong market conditions allow producers to pass through rising costs (and more), building up margins

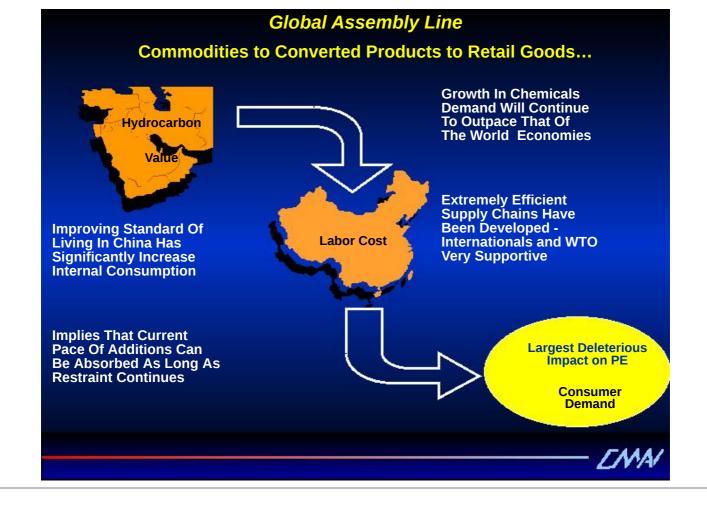
Cost push supported price increases facilitate higher earnings when cost fall – but tight conditions must persist

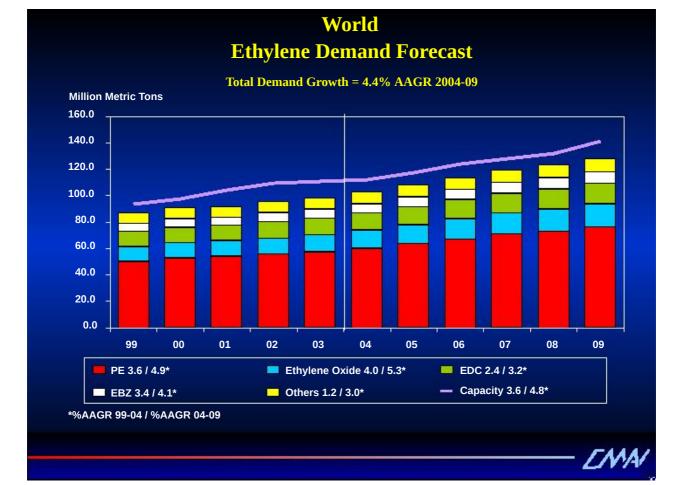


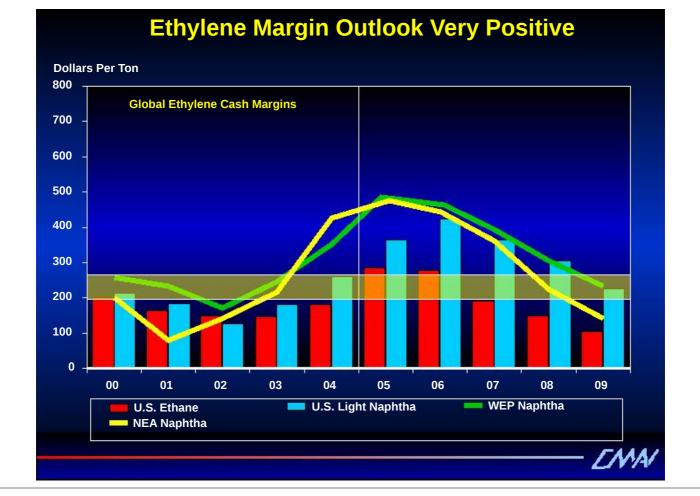








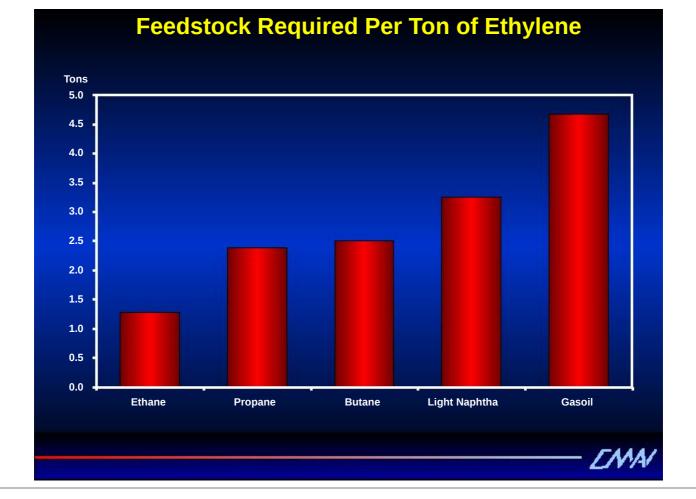


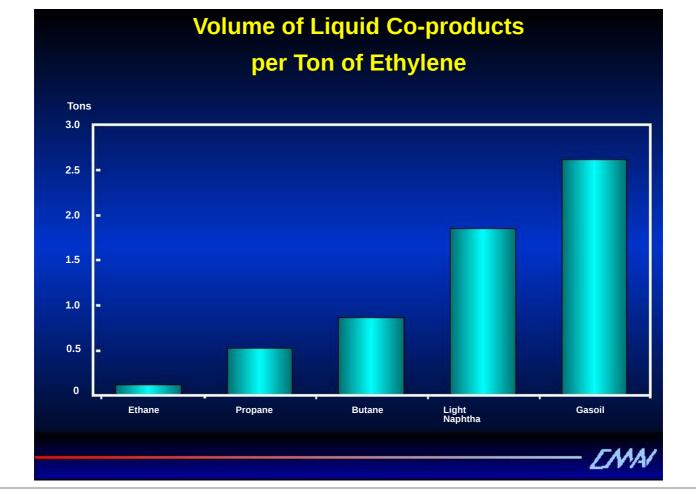


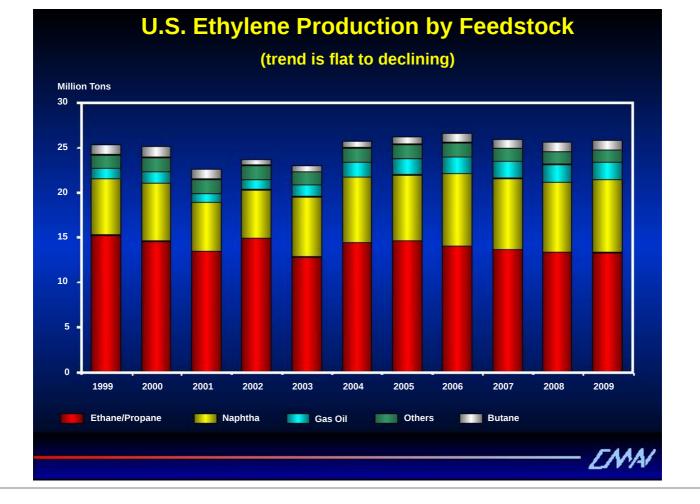
U.S. Producers Respond by Closing or Revamping E/PUnits

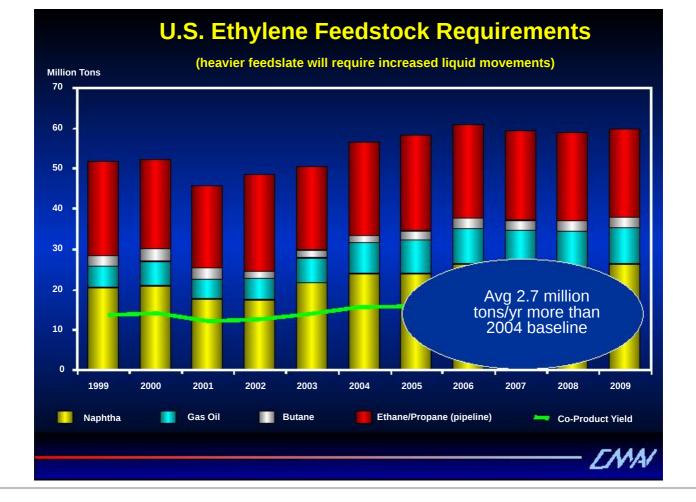
COMPANY	LOCATION	PROCESS	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
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	Texas City, TX	(2) Ethane/Propane		(371)	(309)			
Equistar Chemical	Lake Charles, LA	(1) Ethane	(363)					
ExxonMobil	Houston, TX	(2) Ethane/Propane		2222	(342)			
Shell Chemical	Deer Park, TX	(6) EPB/Naph/Gas Oil			(647)	(215)		
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Westlake Group	Lake Charles, LA	(3) EPB				-	(204)	(340)
	Lake Charles, LA	(4) EPB/Naphtha		4444			221	369

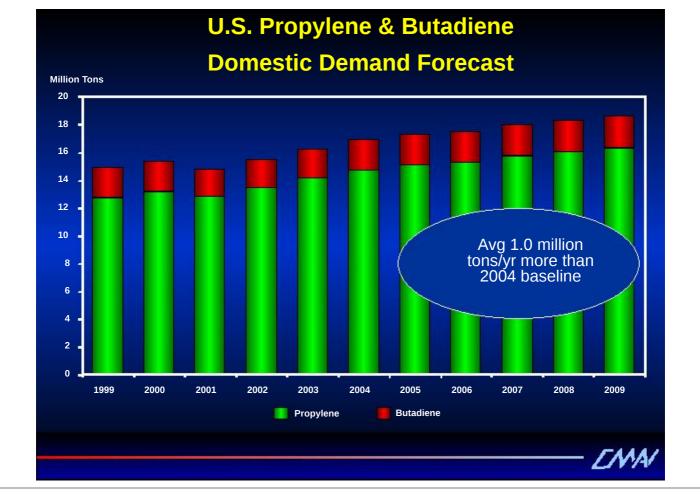


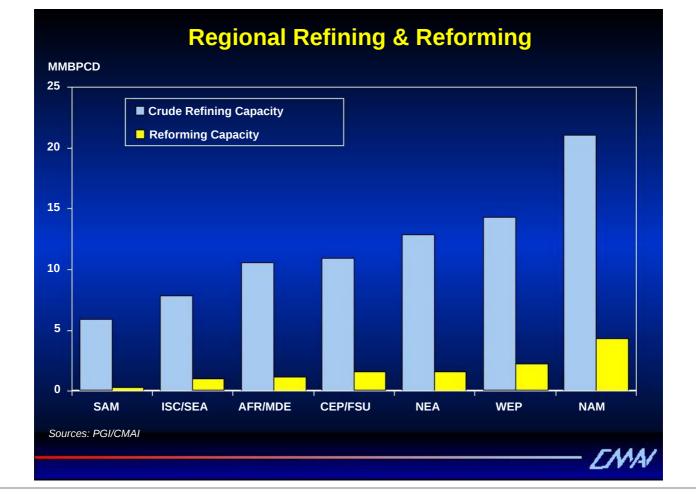


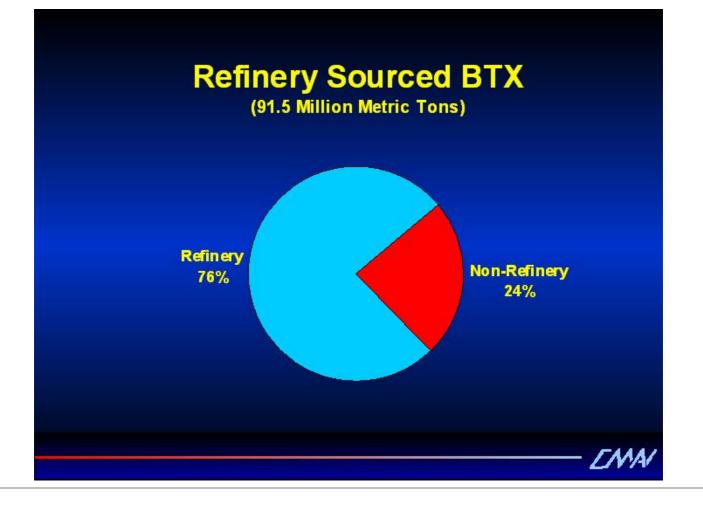


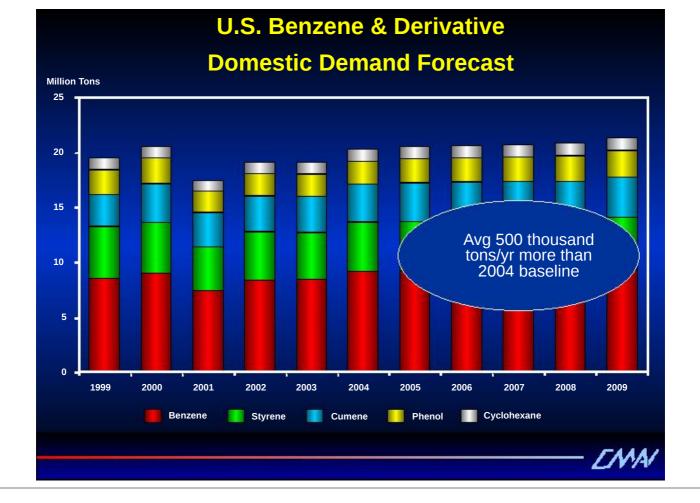


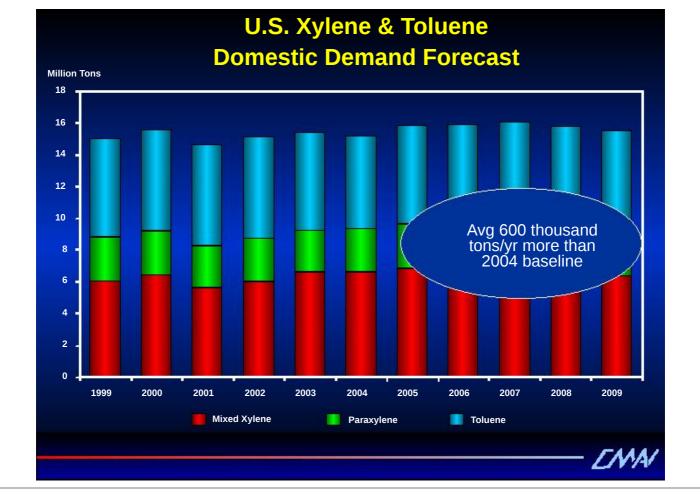










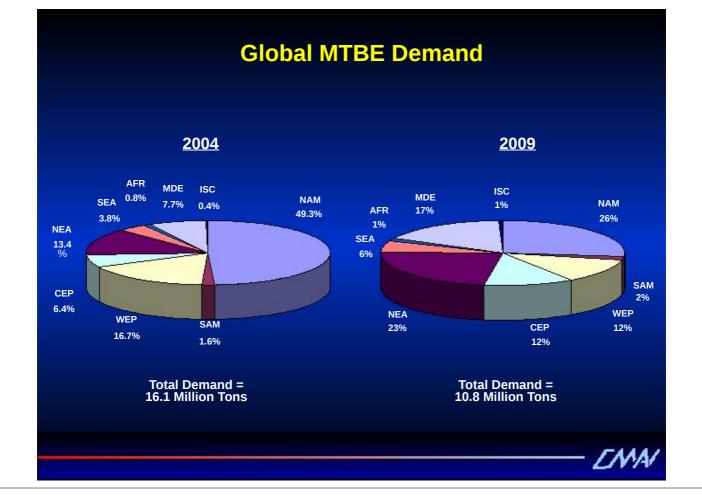


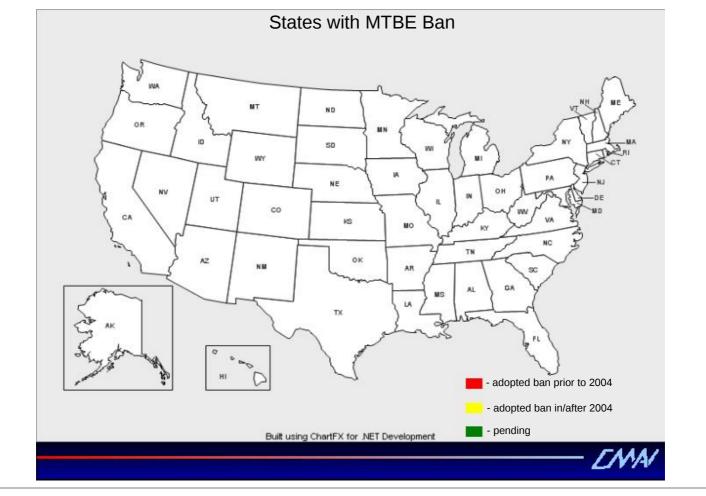
U.S. MTBE Federal Actions – Will it Pass?

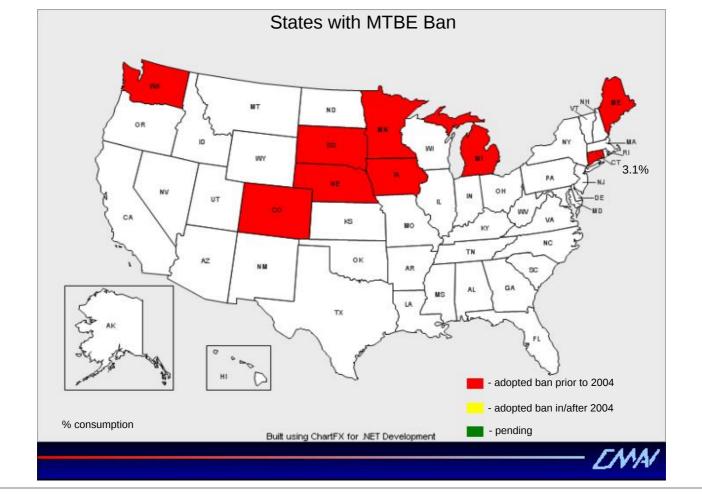


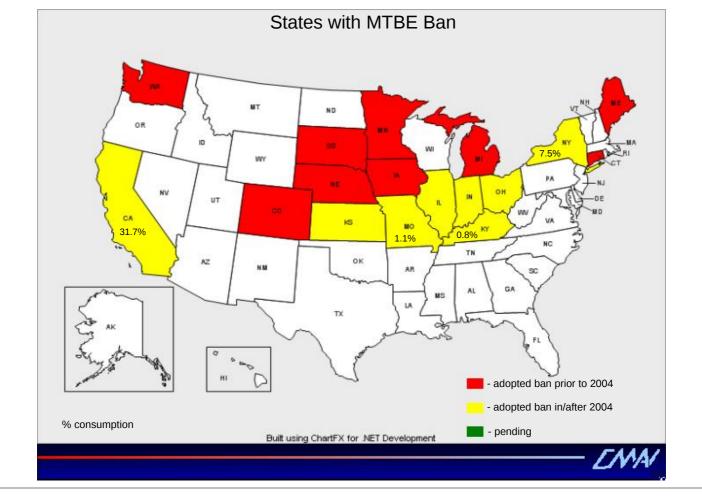
- Federal Ban to pass eventually, but tough negotiation still required.
- Energy Bill has been stalled in Congress since 2000, high priority for 2005.
 - Oxygen Mandate removed effective 270 days after the bill is signed
 - MTBE banned explicitly beginning 2015, but individual states can override and production for export expressly permitted
 - Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS) in 2007 (?)

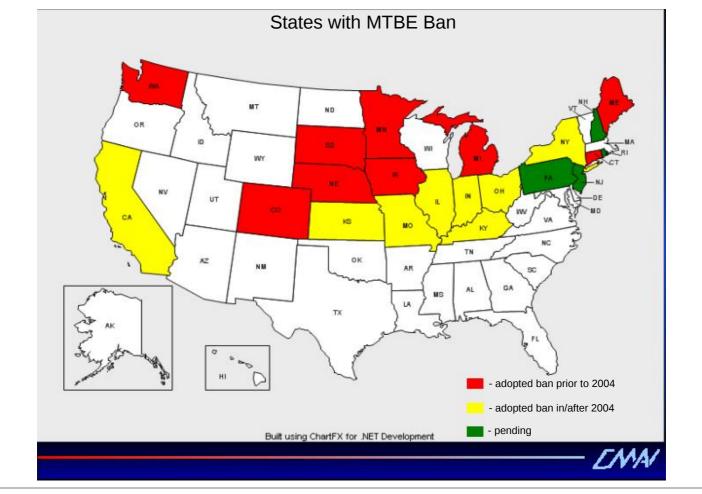


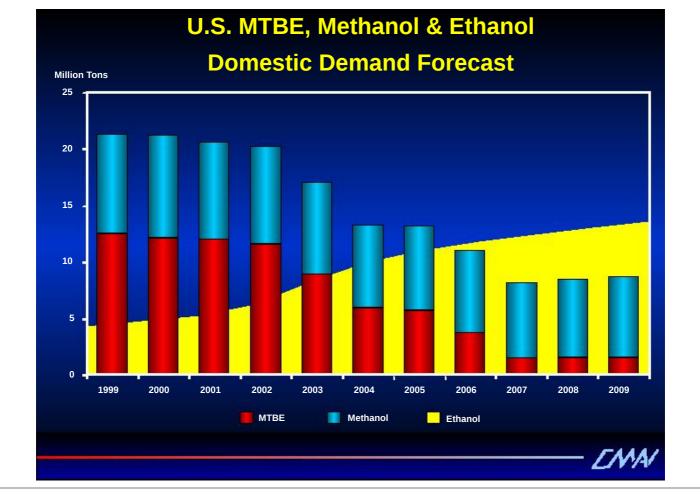












Mitigating Factors Around MTBE

- Vast Majority of MTBE moves via pipeline
- States retaining MTBE are in Gulf Coast region
- MTBE ban requires greater movement of other octane components
- RFS will ultimately lead to longer mid-west to coast and inter-coastal barge movement of ethanol (all forms of ethanol are prohibited in pipeline system)
- Japan evaluating large ETBE requirement for Kyoto Agreement that would require several U.S. units to convert
- Isobutane dehydro units will be retrofitted to iso-octane swapping out MTBE movements



Conclusions

- Global petrochemical markets are enjoying a significant up-cycle
- Naphtha/gas oil based ethylene production remains competitive in the industrialized regions
- U.S. producers have moved towards cracking more liquids that increase both feedstock and co-product volumes and traffic
- Basic aromatics production is dominated by refinery sources and the U.S. remains the clear leader in supply
- MTBE reductions will be largely off-set by ethanol opportunities



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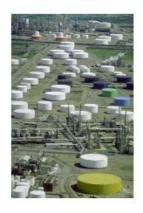


U.S. Refining Industry Outlook











Bill Sanderson May 19, 2005

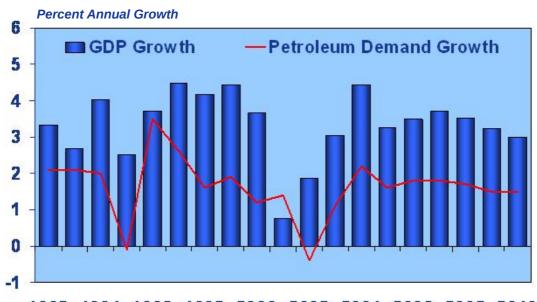
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U.S. GDP and petroleum demand growth are expected to remain strong short-term

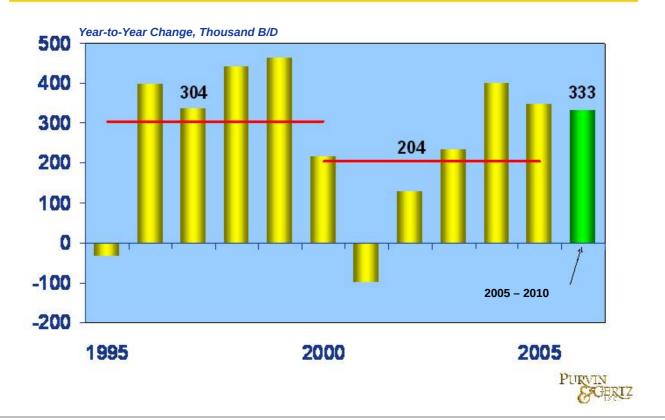


1992 1994 1996 1998 2000 2002 2004 2006 2008 2010

Note: GDP forecast provided by CMAI.



U.S. refined product demand is expected to stay strong through this economic cycle

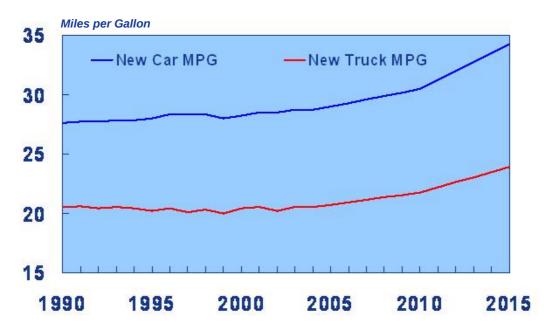


Will gasoline demand growth slow down longer term?

- Higher prices are beginning to affect consumer choices
 - § Large SUV sales are beginning to fall
 - § Hybrid sales are beginning to gain acceptance
- In our view, policy and market factors are likely to increase vehicle efficiency after 2010
- Greenhouse Gas control may eventually become a U.S. regulatory goal, but not yet



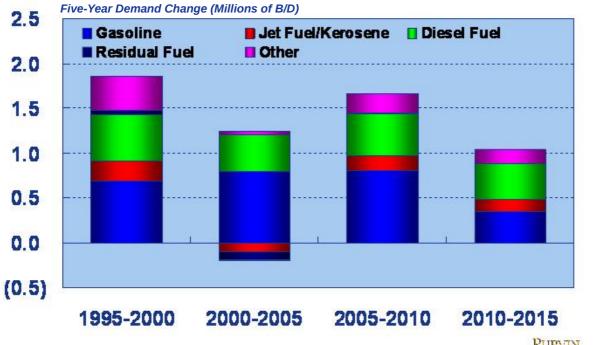
Technology, policy and market factors expected to increase new vehicle efficiency long-term ...



Note: Average U.S. new car efficiency

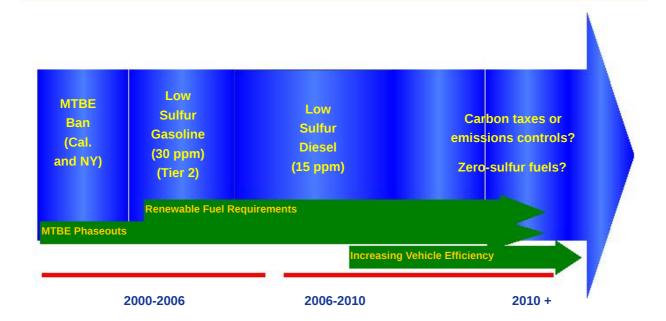


Gasoline demand to stay strong through 2010. Diesel/jet fuel demand will remain strong ...





Regulatory changes will continue to strongly influence U.S. refining and distribution





Gasoline quality will continue improving . . .

- Sulfur is being reduced to 30 ppm
 - § Sulfur poisons automobile emissions catalysts
 - Sulfur reductions provide ...
 - Immediate emissions reduction impact on entire fleet
 - NOx trap capability
- **MTBE** and Ethanol use will change
 - § Nationwide MTBE ban expected, with many states moving more quickly
 - § RFG oxygen mandate expected to disappear
 - § Renewable mandate expected to boost ethanol
 - § Current Energy Bill contains all these elements



Both programs will affect the refining and distribution industries

Gasoline Supply and Cost Impacts

- Refining investment to offset octane loss
- **O** Potential import reductions from non-complying suppliers
- Increased domestic gasoline trade
- Reduction in finished product distribution flexibility

Diesel Supply and Cost Impacts

- **Output** Upgrading of existing desulfurization capacity most common
- May tighten international low-sulfur markets
- O Distribution, contamination issues remain unresolved
- Recovery of ULSD costs of 5.0-6.0 cpg (vs 0.2%) expected



Supply/Demand Conclusions

- Strong U.S. petroleum demand growth should continue through 2010
- Vehicle efficiency gains expected to reduce growth after the turn of the decade
- O Diesel growth will be stronger than gasoline
- Refining capacity should remain tight for several years, due to investment lag times and focus on clean fuels compliance
- Strong demand for U.S. product trade expected to continue in the near-term



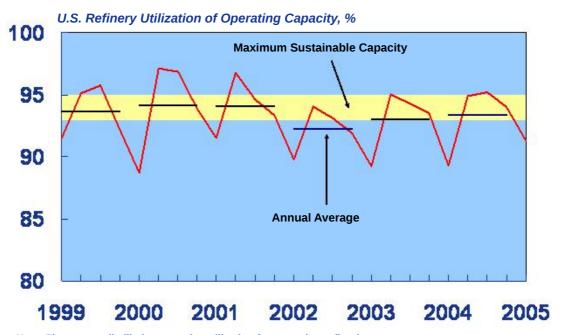
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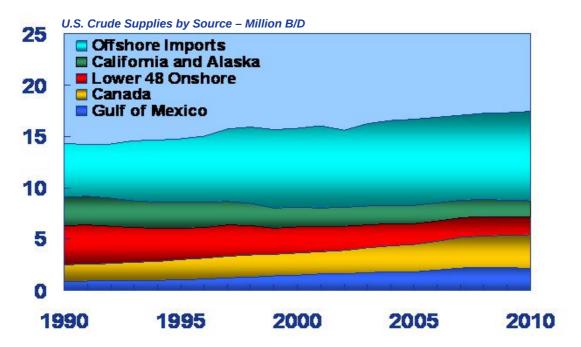
U.S. refinery utilization has been operating at or near capacity since the late 1990s . . .



Note: Figures are distillation capacity utilization for operating refineries.

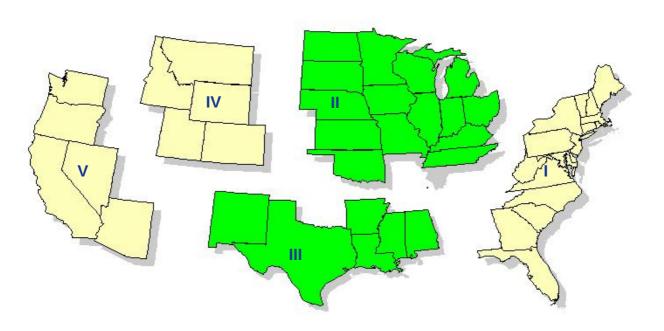


Growth in crude oil supplies will be sourced by offshore imports and Canadian supplies



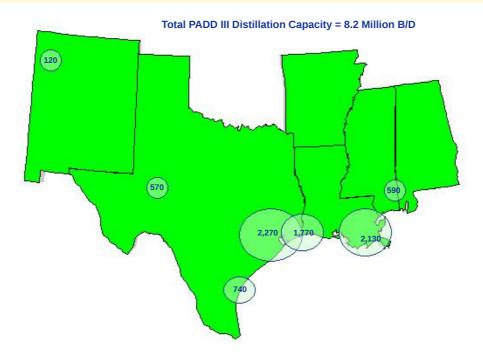


The U.S. market is divided into five Petroleum Administration for Defense Districts (PADDs) . . .





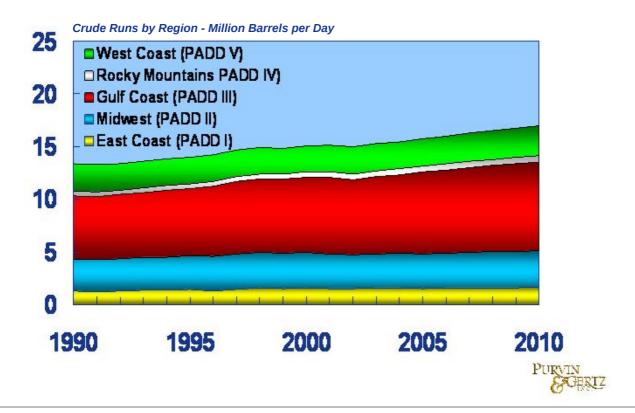
PADD III includes the U.S. Gulf Coast which is the largest refining region in the U.S.



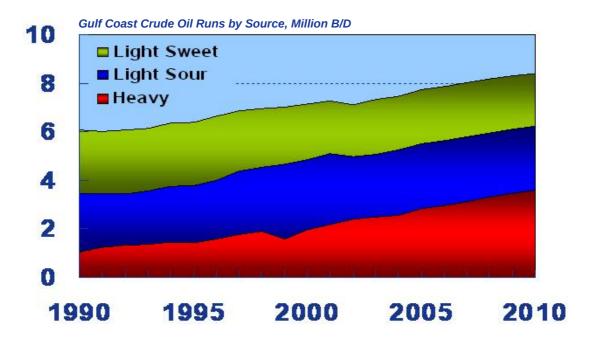
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The Gulf Coast (PADD III) is the largest refining region, at roughly 50% of the U.S. total . . .

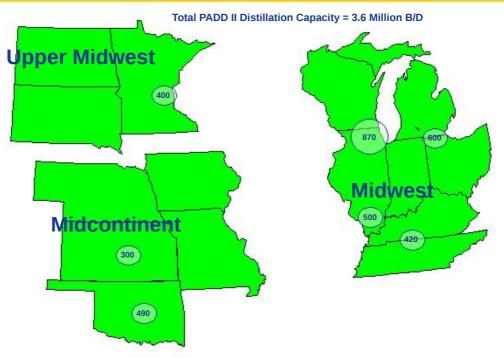


Gulf Coast (PADD III) crude runs will continue to become heavier, driving refining investment ...





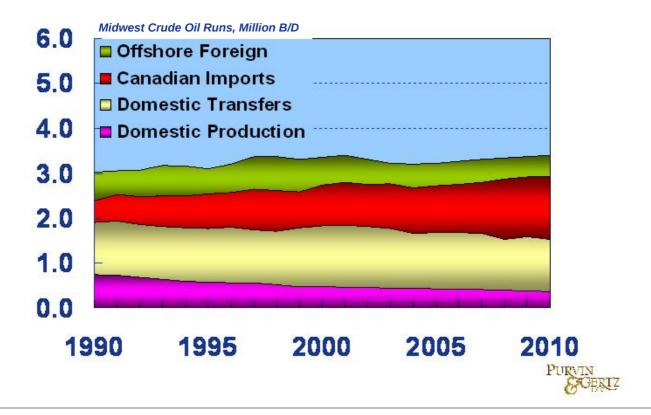
PADD II includes a number of sub-regions comprised of smaller, local refining centers



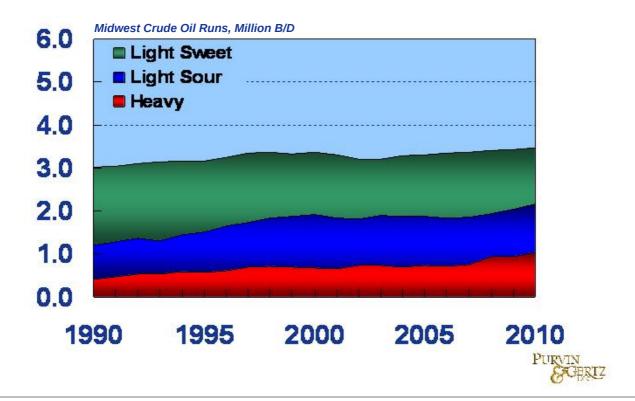
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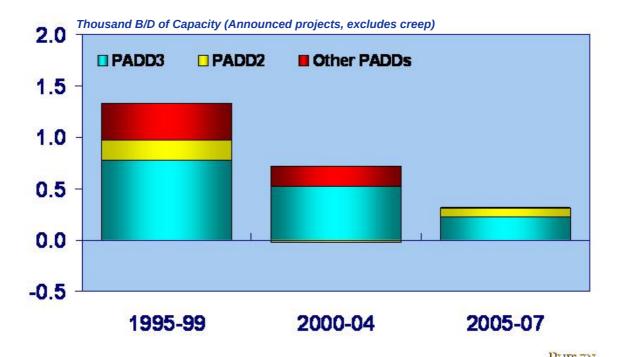
Midwest (PADD II) crude supply balance reflects growth of Canadian production



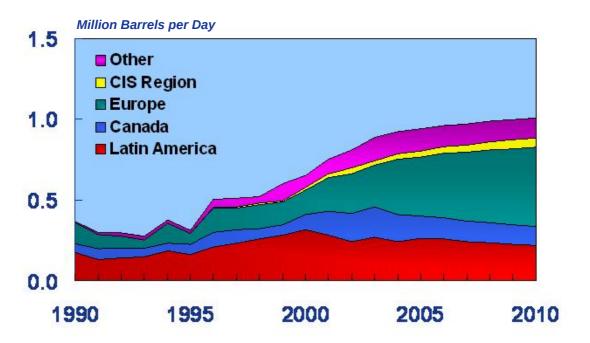
Midwest crude runs become heavier requiring conversion capacity investment



U.S. Refinery Distillation Capacity Changes

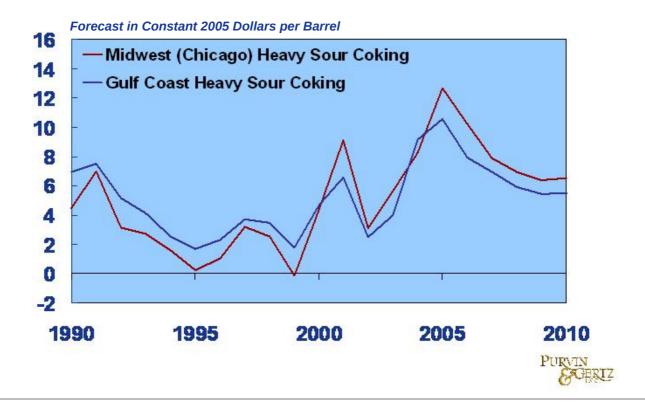


U.S. gasoline imports are expected to increase until demand begins to slow late in decade . . .





Comparable Gulf Coast and Midwest margins track relatively well due to market factors



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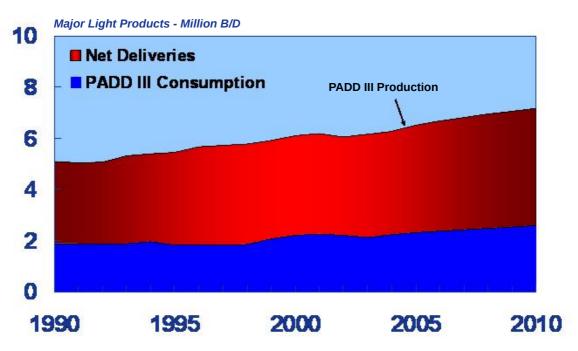
Refined product pipelines help integrate the U.S. market . . .



But the inland waterway system remains crucial in supplying certain markets



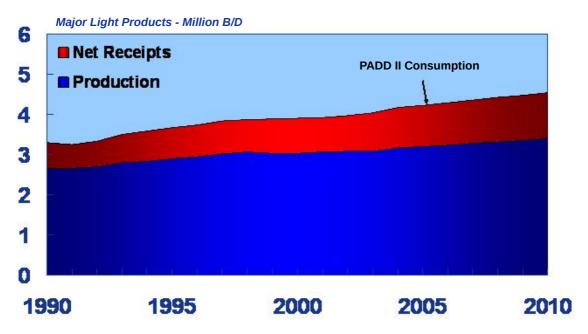
About 65% of PADD III products move to consumers in PADDS I and II



Note: Major light products include gasoline, jet fuel and diesel fuels.



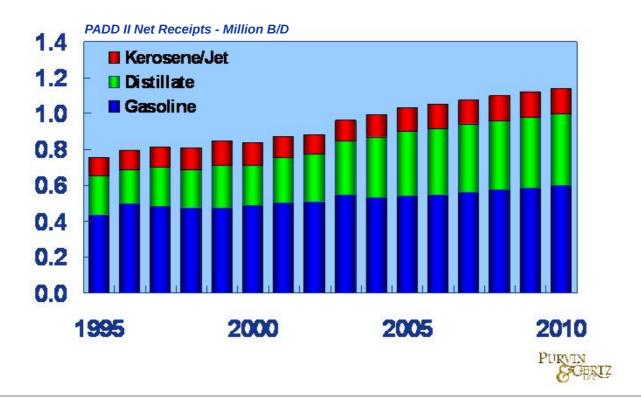
PADD II depends on PADD III for over 20% of the total light product supply



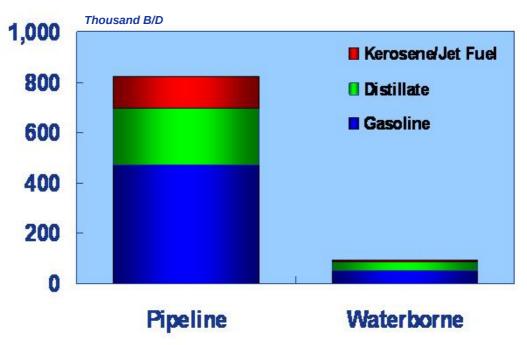
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PADD II receives large volumes of all light refined products from PADD III



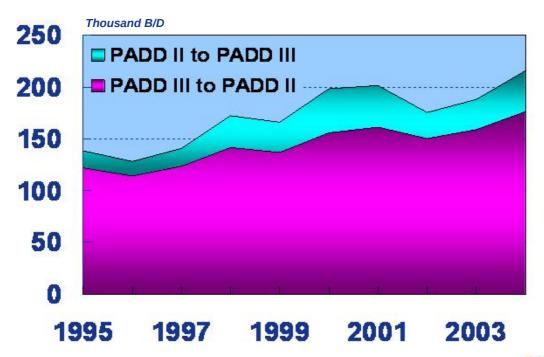
Most light products move to PADD II by pipeline ...



Note: Product movements from PADD III to PADD II in 2004.

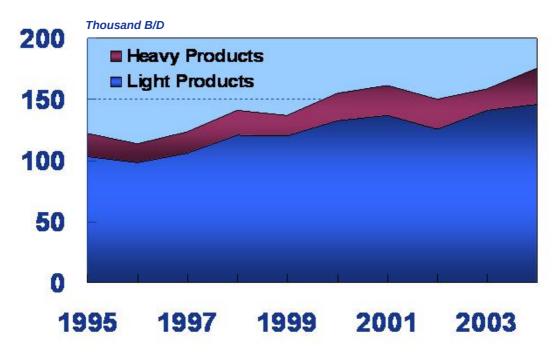


Waterborne commerce between PADD III and PADD II has increased steadily





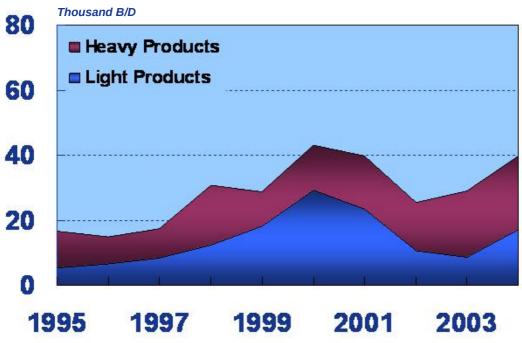
Movements from PADD III are primarily light products



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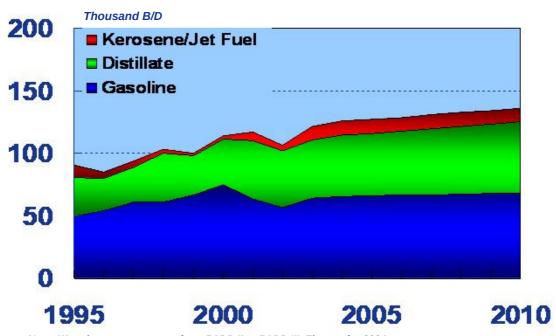
PADD II generally moves out surplus heavy products by water, some light products move



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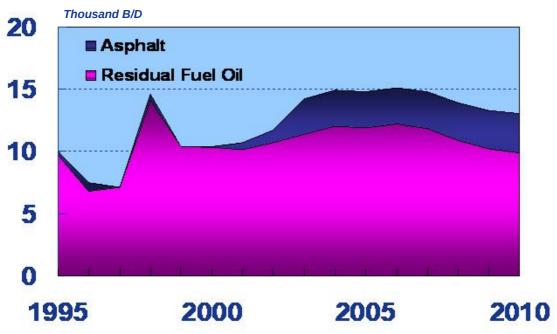
Waterborne light product movements from PADD III to PADD II are projected to grow



Note: Waterborne movements from PADD II to PADD III. Figures for 2004 are estimated.



PADD II will remain in surplus for residual fuel and asphalt



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Conclusions

Ocontinued demand growth in PADD II will require additional movements to markets served by the inland waterway system



Ø Growing heavy crude processing in PADD II will increase the local surplus of asphalt and residual fuel



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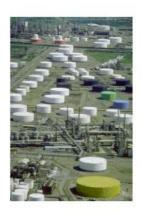
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Agenda

2:00 – 2:05	Welcome and Introductions
2:05 – 2:30	U.S. Inland Waterways
2:30 – 3:00	Kirby Overview
3:00 – 3:15	Kirby Inland Marine · Kirby and Industry Fleet Profile
3:15 - 3:30	Break 15 minutes
3:30 – 3:50	Kirby Engine Systems Overview
3:50 - 4:35	Outlook for the Petrochemical Industry · Chemical Market Associates, Inc.
4:35 – 5:20	Refined Products Supply & Demand Drivers • Purvin & Gertz, Inc.
5:20 - 5:25	Closing Remarks



