# **Trends in Global Coal Markets**

Meet Alaska 2012

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# Agenda

# GDP Growth Forecast Global Energy Demand Alaska's Coal Resources



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# World GDP Forecast to Average 3.0%: **Developing Countries Lead Demand Growth**





# ...and despite strong growth from renewables, traditional fuels continue to dominate





- Economic growth
- Environmental objectives
- Security of supply
- Inter-fuel competition
- Price manipulation
- Energy Efficiency

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# **Coal will support strong electricity growth in emerging markets**

**Global Electricity Output by Fuel** 

**Electricity Demand (indexed to 2009)** 



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# Long-Term Thermal Market Outlook





# **GDP Forecast for India and China is Robust Through 2020**





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# Thermal volumes account for nearly three-quarters of seaborne coal trade





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# The Pacific basin dominates thermal seaborne trade...





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# ...and China and India dominate the Pacific, accounting for nearly 70% of the basin total by 2030



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# Transportation infrastructure is key driver for expansion of domestic supply

#### **Thermal Supply/Demand Balance - 2010** 110°58'0"E 115°59'0"E 121°0'0"E China Coal New China Rail Line Coal Rail Line Capacity (mt) Capacity (mt) 0 - 50 MONGOLIA - 100 101 - 200 11 - 505"27"0" 201 - 400 Heilongjiang 101 - 360 **Xilinguole Region** Port nner Mongoli CHINA Oinhuango Tangsha Hubei Huandhua 'Three-West' Region Yellow Sea China thermal coal balance 2010 Taiwa Guan Oincida 35°25'0''N Kone Rizhao 100 110°58'0"E 115°59'0"E 121°0'0"E Source: Wood Mackenzie km 125 250 500

**Current and Future Rail Capacity** 



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# India's fuel mix is also driven by coal...



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# Growth dependent on coastal UMPPs – many of which rely much more on imported than domestic coal

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# New transport infrastructure is required – even in Indonesia

## East Kutai

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## Sumatra

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# Australian export infrastructure is being transformed

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# **US West Coast Export Potential**

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## Vancouver has provided hope for PRB exporters:

- Montana PRB has seen most benefit
- Approximately 10 Mt to be exported in 2011
- Future potential?
  - Coalspur -Ridley
  - Millennium Bulk Terminal at Longview
  - Further possible locations in Puget Sound or along Columbia River – target 25-30 Mtpa
  - Environmental opposition will be strong

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# All emerging thermal coal basins are cost competitive into southern China

## Fuel cost comparison to coastal southern China (in 2010 terms)

	Mtpa	Cash Cost US\$/t	Shipping US\$/t	CIF US\$/t	US\$M	700 600		٠	٠		•		
East Kutai	10.0	18.7	8.4	27.1	270	_ 500							•
Surat	5.1	49.3	13.8	63.1	323	¥ \$3 400 \$2 400				•			
Galilee	5.0	50.8	13.8	64.6	323	⊃ <sub>300</sub> -							
Sumatra	8.2	34.0	8.4	42.3	349	<b>200</b> <sup>-</sup>							
Shanxi	5.3	59.9	9.6	69.5	370	<b>100</b>							
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Xinjiang

# Even Chinese coastal supply at high-end of cost curve – driven by RMB appreciation

2015 energy adjusted thermal cash costs – delivered to southern coastal China (US\$/t)

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# Alaska's Coal Resources

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# Alaska's coal resources are vast and widely distributed...

#### Alaska Coal Resources

- The total identified coal resource base of Alaska has been estimated in excess of 150,000 Mt, which is dwarfed by a hypothetical resource conservatively estimated at nearly 4,000,000 Mt.
- Coal resources are largely distributed in three major provinces: Northern Alaska -Slope, Central Alaska – Nenana, and Southern Alaska – Cook Inlet.
- > Coal quality varies from primarily bituminous coal and lignite in the Northern Alaska-Slope province to primarily lignite to sub-bituminous coals in the other two provinces.
- Substantial reserves of low rank coal are available to support both coal gasification and exports

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Source: Usibelli Coal Mine, US Geological Survey

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# ...but mining has been limited by lack of infrastructure and ready markets.

#### Alaska Coal Resources

- Coal mining has occurred intermittently in the Central Alaska Nenana and Southern Alaska – Cook Inlet coal provinces.
- > Smaller mines have opened and closed in these regions over the last hundred years
- > Typical coal quality limits Alaskan coal to use in electricity generation and industrial applications. Local markets are generally small and have not supported large-scale expansion. Export opportunities in Asia and South America, while promising, have been limited by lower cost competition in the global thermal market.
- Currently, only one mine in the Central Alaska Usibelli's Healy Mine—is active, producing approximately 1.2 Mtpa of sub-bituminous coal for the domestic and export markets. Expansion potential exists at this mine.
- > Other projects are in various stages of development, including
  - Chuitna Mine primarily for export market (most likely project to be developed).
  - Beluga Mine proposed, export and/or gasification.
  - Jonesville Coal Project proposed, export.
  - Arctic Slope Project exploration phase.

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# Coal quality from Alaska's low-rank mines vs. PRB Montana quality

Proximate Analysis (As-Received Basis)								
	Usibelli – Two Bull Ridge	Usibelli – Jumbo Dome	Chuitna	Montana PRB				
Total Moisture (%)	27.0	26.0	27.1	24				
Inherent Moisture (%)	-	-	16.0					
Ash (%)	8.5	9.0	10.1	5				
Volatile Matter (%)	37.6	-	34.8					
Fixed Carbon (%)	27.0	-	27.9					
Sulfur (%)	0.2	0.17	0.16	0.3				
Calorific Value (Btu/lb)	7,650	8,000	7,500	9,000				
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# Ocean freight rates to Japan will be lower than rates from Vancouver but higher than from Indonesia

Export Port	Nautical Miles	Steaming Days
Seward	3,400	10.1
Vancouver	4,306	12.5
Kalimantan (Indonesia)	2,637	8.2

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