# China's Energy Development and Its Global Implications

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# Energy

- Energy is NOT just Energy.
- Energy has a direct impact on almost all the major issues in the world today:
  - Development (in all its aspects);
  - Food;
  - Science & technology;
  - Engineering and equipment;
  - Capital & finance;
  - Climate change and environment;
  - Population;
  - Military;
  - Geopolitics;
  - War & peace; etc.

## How Big Is China's Economy?

Official GDP = US\$8.26 trillion; PPP =US\$ 12.26 trillion (2012)

China's GDP as % of US GDP (2012):

#### • China:

Official GDP: 52.67%

- PPP: 79.05%

#### Greater China:

(China + HK + Macau + Taiwan)

- Official GDP: 57.53%

- PPP: 87.35%

## The Largest Manufacturing Nation

• China is the largest manufacturing country in the world.

• China is now the largest producer in the world for more than 220 products, including iron & steel, automobiles, cement, chemical fiber, etc.

## The Largest Trading Nation

• In 2013, China's total foreign trade was US \$4.14 trillion.

• China is the largest trading nation in the world.

## The Largest Forex Reserve

• By the end of September 2013, China's total official forex reserve was US\$3.66 trillion.

• China has the largest forex reserve in the world.

China is the largest creditor to the USA.

## The Largest Car Producer

- In 2013, China produced more than 22 million vehicles, with 20 million passenger cars.
- Most of China's passenger car production is sold domestically.
- In addition, China also imports many luxury cars from abroad.
- If you take out GM China, GM's overall profitability would lose luster significantly.

## The Largest Oil Importer

• China has surpassed the USA as the largest oil importer in the world.

Oil import in 2013 at 300 million tons.

• China's oil import will significantly increase in the coming years and decades.

## The Largest Energy Producer

- China is the largest energy producer in the world.
- Total energy production in 2012 was the equivalent of 3.62 billion ton of standard coal.
  - Coal at 66.4%;
  - Oil at 18.9%;
  - Gas at 5.5% (5.9% in 2013).
- Per capital energy consumption was 2.68 ton standard coal.
  - About world average, but
  - Below developed countries.

## **Astounding Growth of Power**

- In 2013, China's total installed capacity for power generation reached 1,225,510 megawatts, the largest in the world.
- In 2013, China added 80,600 megawatts to its TIC;
- China's TIC is growing the size of Britain's TIC every year.

### The Dominance of Coal

- In 2012, coal accounted for 66.4% of China's energy production.
- (Globally, coal accounts for less than 30% of energy production.)

- Oil and gas = 24.4% of China's energy production in 2012.
  - Gas @ 5.5% in 2012 (5.9% in 2013).

## Low Per Capita Energy Ownership

- Coal: 67% of the world average;
- Crude oil: 5.4% of the world average;
- Natural gas: 7.5% of the world average.

• Per capita energy consumption compared with the developed countries: ≈1/3.

## Achilles' Heel: Oil Import

- China's oil consumption:
  - 500 million tons in 2013;
  - Oil import at 300 million tons;
  - Total oil consumption to increase to above 700 million tons by 2020.
- Dependence on oil import has increased from 32% around 2000 to above 58% in 2013.
- Dependence on oil import expected to go up to above 70% by 2020.
- Potential dangers:
  - Maritime security for oil shipping;
  - Safety and security of cross-border oil & gas pipelines;
  - Major jump in imported oil & gas price;
  - Insufficient strategic reserves.

## New Achilles' Heel: Gas Import

- China's gas consumption:
  - 2001: 27.4 Billion cm;
  - 2013: 167.6 Billion cm (an increase of 13.8% over 2012);
  - -2020: ≈ 350 Billion cm.
  - At present
    - Natural gas = 5.9% of China's energy production in 2013.
    - Only about 14% of China's populations use natural gas.
- Dependence on gas import:
  - China became net gas importer in 2006;
  - Import @ 5.8% of total gas consumption in 2007;
  - Import @ 31.6% of total gas consumption in 2013.
  - Total import in 2013 @ 53 trillion cm.

# "We will go wherever there is oil!"

- Promoting international energy cooperation almost in all parts of the world: the Gulf & the Middle East, Africa, Central Asia, Russia, North America, South America, Australia, ASEAN.
- Coordination of domestic energy production and international supply.
- Promoting the establishment of a new international energy order.

### **Energy Mega Trends in China**

- Oil: Demand is increasing fast. Need to add 200 to 300 million tons to oil consumption by 2020;
- Gas: Government has ordered gas consumption to double in five years;
- Coal: Consumption needs to go down: down to 60%, or even down to 50%?
- Nuclear: Will go up. 26 new nuclear power stations are being built. Increase to 5%, or even to 10%?
- **Hydro**: How much more can it grow?
- New & Renewable: We have to keep faith and spare no efforts. But, alas, how much can they really contribute to China's staggering energy demand?

#### • The great variables:

- Shale gas: When and how can they be developed en masse?
  - Shale gas as a bonus and an insurance policy.
- Improving energy efficiency: How to improve? How much to improve?

### Gasoline and Diesel

- Production in 2013:
  - Gasoline production @ 97.72 million tons;
  - Diesel production @ 172.21 million tons.
- Major shifts:
  - Gasoline production & consumption are expected to increase significantly in the coming years;
  - Diesel production & consumption are expected to level off or even decrease in the coming years;
  - Rule of thumb is that if GDP stays at or below 7.5% per year, demand for diesel will level off or even decrease.
  - In the past years, China exported gasoline and imported diesel. With increasing domestic demand for gasoline, China's gasoline export will decrease.

### Gasoline & Diesel: Environment

- With pollution becoming more and more serious in China, more attention is paid to vehicle emission and environmental protection.
- Few passenger cars in China use diesel. Most use gasoline. Should a shift from gasoline to diesel be encouraged?
- Some local governments encourage cars to shift from gasoline to gas.
- China has announced new gasoline and diesel standards to lower vehicle emission.

#### If There Were No Shale Gas

#### • For China:

- Continue to rely heavily on coal;
- Need to dramatically increase import of oil;
- Dependence on imported oil may go up to as high as 80%;
- Worsening emission problem;
- Greater environmental degradation;
- Increasingly fragile and unstable geopolitical situation relating to energy security.

#### If There Were No Shale Gas

#### For the USA:

- Continue to rely heavily on imported O&G, especially from politically unstable countries and regions;
- Deteriorating job crisis;
- Worsening federal and local budget deficits;
- Worsening debt crisis;
- Increasingly pessimistic prospect for the future of America.

#### If There Were No Shale Gas

- For China and the USA:
  - China and USA would continue to import a lot of O&G;
  - China and USA would eventually compete for the same barrel of oil;
  - Greater shortage of oil;
  - Higher oil prices,
  - Eventual confrontation or even war over energy.
- The world without SG would be a terrifying world.

#### **Shale Gas in Transition**

- Moving from "unconventional energy" to "mainstream energy";
- Moving from a possibility to a reality;
- Moving from a dispensable and insignificant thing to a major energy contributor;
- Moving from the margin of the energy sector to its center stage;
- Creating a real revolution in energy;
- The SG revolution will spread from USA to China and elsewhere.

## Global Implications

- The SG-triggered global energy revolution will have profound implications to many stakeholders in the world:
  - Producers of O&G;
  - Exporters of O&G;
  - Importers of O&G;
  - Traders of O&G;
- The current supply & demand patterns in O&G will change profoundly.
- The prices of O&G will change profoundly.
- Anyone who fails to grasp the profound significance of the SG-triggered global energy revolution will do so to his or her own harm.

## **Energy Revolution**

- We are faced with an energy revolution in the world, triggered mostly by SG in the USA.
- The rigid divide between conventional vs. nonconventional energies is fast coming down.
- America's EI will profoundly change the existing supply-and-demand equations in the global energy sector, and will create profound geopolitical implications.

# How Much SG Does China Have?

- China has the largest SG reserves in the world;
- Total SG reserves at 134.42 trillion cubic meters (not including the Qinghai-Tibet plateau and China's off-shore areas).
- The abundant SG reserves will boost China's confidence in energy security and reduce its fear of vulnerability.

#### **Barriers to Overcome**

- Legal ownership structure;
- Water resources;
- Potential underground water contamination;
- Geological conditions;
- Pipelines and other infrastructures;
- Technologies and know-how;
- Economy of scale;
- Who wants to do what, why, when, and how?

## China Fully Supports America's EI

- America needs to achieve EI:
  - To reduce dependence on imported energy;
  - To increase revenue and reduce deficit and indebtedness; and
  - To create more jobs.
- China has all the reasons to fully and wholeheartedly support America's EI.
- The faster and the better America achieves EI, the better for China.

#### **AmeriChina**

• AmeriChina = America + China

- China will fully support America's EI and is willing to provide:
  - Capital;
  - Equipment; and
  - Uptake for oil & gas produced in other countries thus freed up by America's EI.

#### The Rest of the World

- With America achieving EI, China can provide demand for the O&G that America will no longer import from the rest of the world, including the Middle East, Africa and Latin America.
- China will also increase energy cooperation with Russia, Central Asian countries, Australia, etc.
- What are the economic, strategic and geopolitical implications from this major shift in the global O&G market?

### China & OPEC

• At present, half of China's imported oil comes from the Middle East; 1/3 comes from Africa.

• China will continue to heavily depend on OPEC members for its imported O&G for many years to come.

#### China and Saudi Arabia

- Saudi Arabia is the largest oil exporter to China, with 53.92 million tons in 2012, and around 60 million tons expected in 2013.
- China may soon surpass the USA as the largest oil importer from Saudi Arabia.
- By coincidence, China's total oil consumption in 2014, expected at 518 million tons, will be approximately equal to the total oil production of Saudi Arabia in 2013 (about 521 million ton).
- Half of China's oil import comes from the Middle East.
- Ten largest oil exporters to China are: Saudi Arabia, Angola, Russia, Iran, Oman, Iraq, Venezuela, Kazakstan, Kuwait and UAE.

## The Importance of Saudi Arabia

- From China's perspective, the Middle East will remain the most important supply of crude oil for decades to come.
- No other country is more important than Saudi Arabia as the largest oil supplier to China.
- China's oil import strategy centers around the Middle East, especially Saudi Arabia, supported by supplies from Africa, Russia, Central Asia and other regions.

### China's Ultimate Goals

- 20% of global economy
  - 11.51% in 2012 (official exchange rate).
  - 14.87% in 2012 (ppp).
- 20% of global trade
  - Total foreign trade in 2013 @ US\$4.14 trillion; about 11% of global trade.
- 20% of IPR
  - China surpassed USA in 2011 as the largest country in the world in new patent applications.
- 20% of Fortune 500 companies
  - 95 in 2013 (Mainland China, Hong Kong and Taiwan).

## China in the Coming Decade

- China will be the largest economy in the world, with about 20% of the global economy; and about 20% of global trade.
- China will be the largest importer of O&G, and will continue to invest in mega deals in O&G throughout the world.
- Rmb will become a major reserve currency.
- The USA will export oil and gas to China.
- China will have greater democracy and transparency and better governance and rule of law than today.

# Thank you!

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