### Issues at the Interface of Natural Gas and Electricity Prices -

Interchangeability and Control of Hydrocarbon Liquid Drop Out

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# Agenda - Springfield 2006 "Film Festival"

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- Walk The Line
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# Trading Places - "Managing" Change

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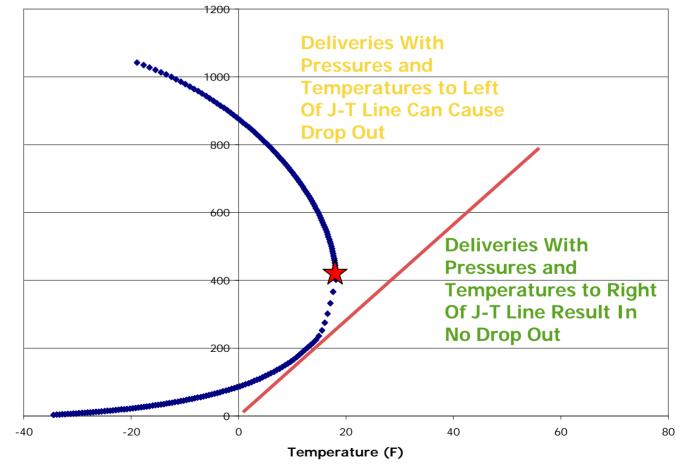
- Sources of supply are changing this fact is undeniable
  - Domestic conventional gas supply has likely peaked
  - Growth in supply from the Rockies, Barnett Shale,
     Bossier Sands, LNG and eventually, the Arctic
- VERY IMPORTANT FACT Volume of Unprocessed Gas Being Consumed is Approximately 20%
- Emissions standards will continue to become more stringent (e.g.-NOx)
- Requirements and incentives for efficiency will be ever increasing
- Range of Btus are broader "Cost Recovery Issues"
- Gas Turbines Peak load demand on pipelines



#### Walk The Line -

#### NGC+ White Paper - Control of HC Drop Out Appendices A & B - J-T Line

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## Lost in Translation - When Is OF Really 12°F?

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- Example LDC recommended an HDP limit of 0°F
- Pipeline recommended 15°F
- Underlying data were the same
- Difference was in C6:C7:C8 Split and Equation of State
- Agreement on terminology, definitions, and methods is critical
- NGC+ White Paper described importance of methods with respect to indirect determination of HDP
- Example: ANR Informational Postings define the basis applied; 47:36:17



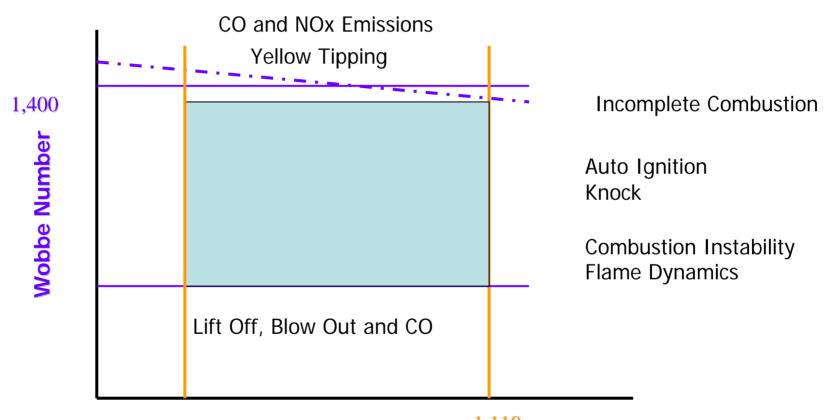
#### Cat On a Hot Tin Roof - Be Careful of Over-Specification

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- Heating Value 1,110 Max
- Wobbe 1,400 Max
- Historical average <u>+</u> 4% unless
- **EXCEPTION**: Service territories with demonstrated experience with supplies exceeding these Wobbe, Heating Value Limits may continue to use supplies conforming to this experience as long as it does not contribute to safety and utilization problems of end use equipment.
- Maximum C<sub>4</sub> Plus 1.5 Mole Percent
- Maximum Total Inerts 4 Mole Percent



#### Interchangeability Operating Regime - The Hot Tin Roof



1,110 **Higher Heating Value (Btu/scf)** 



#### Summary

- Recognize Change in Supply and End-Use
- Work From a Common Platform
  - Terminology, Definitions, and Methods
  - Set Forth in NGC+ White Papers
- Move Beyond Speculation, Rely on Facts
- Keep It Simple

