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The Marcellus Shale: An Overview

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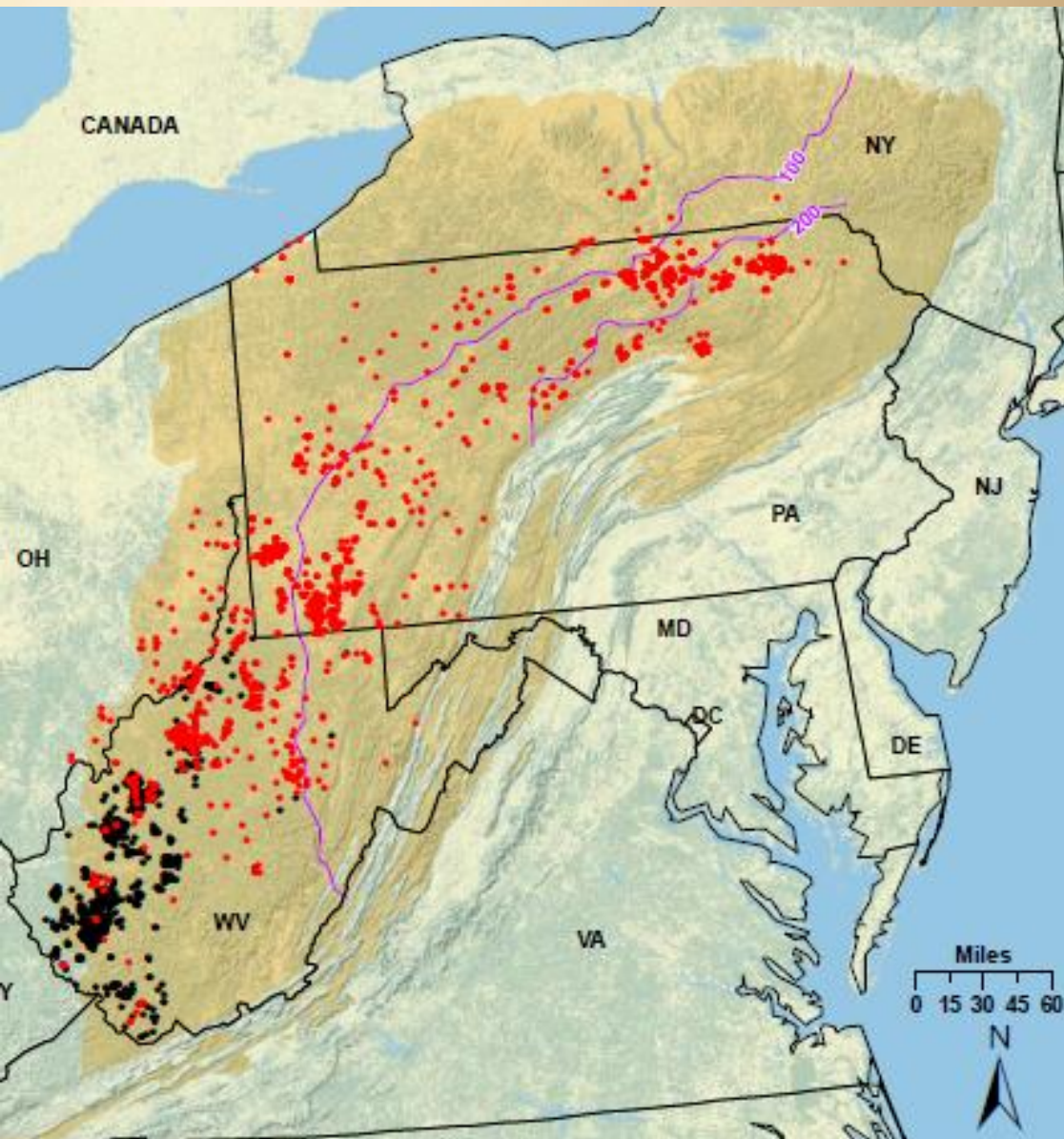
The Resource Triangle





Marcellus Geology

- **Areal extent: 34 million acres (53,125 sq. mi.)**
- **Depth: 4,000 to 8,500 feet**
- **Thickness: 50 to 250 feet**
- **Total Organic Carbon: 2% to 10%**
- **Kerogen: Type II to Type III**



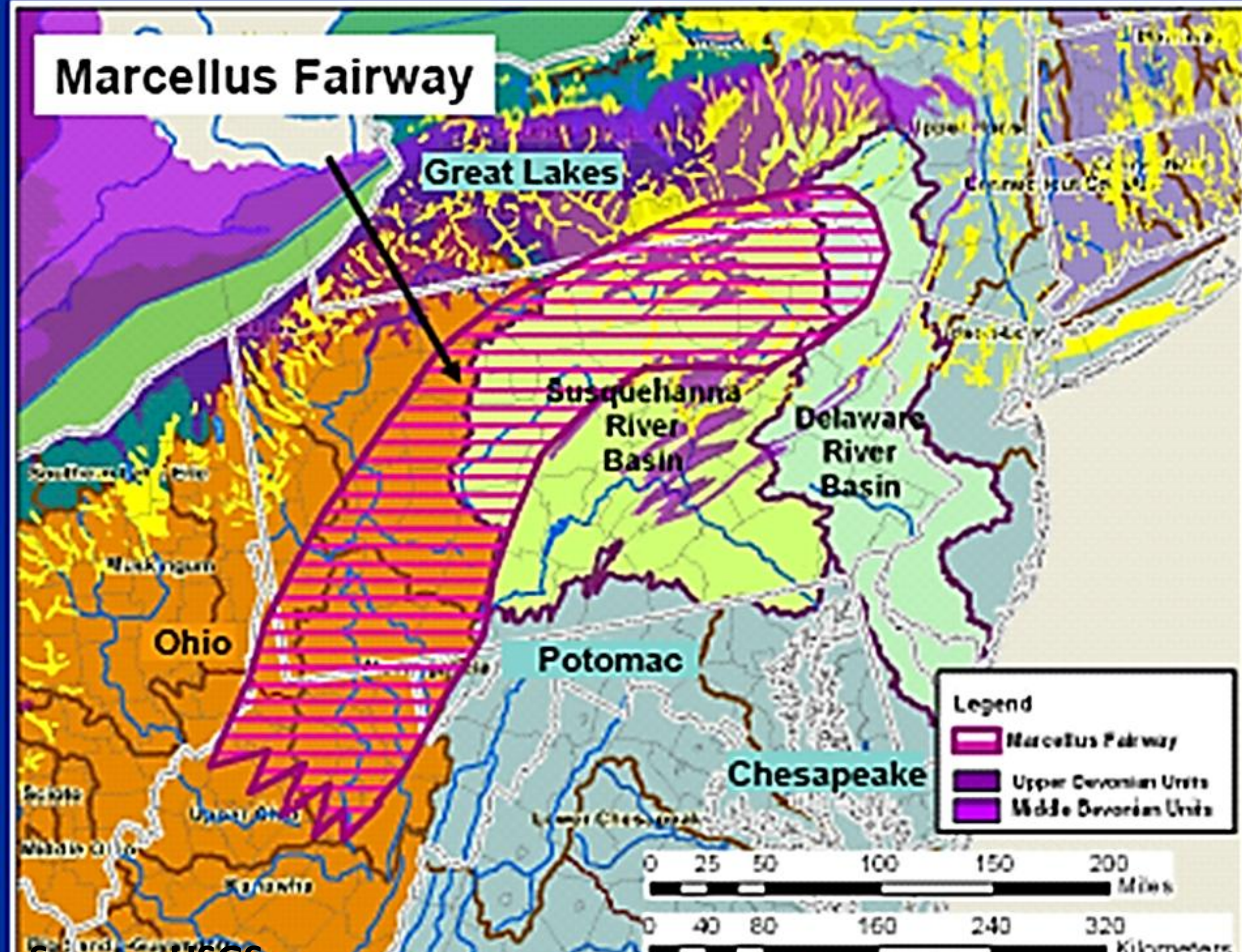
Producing Marcellus Wells

Red: Marcellus wells

Black: Marcellus commingled with other zones.

Source: EIA
As of July 2011

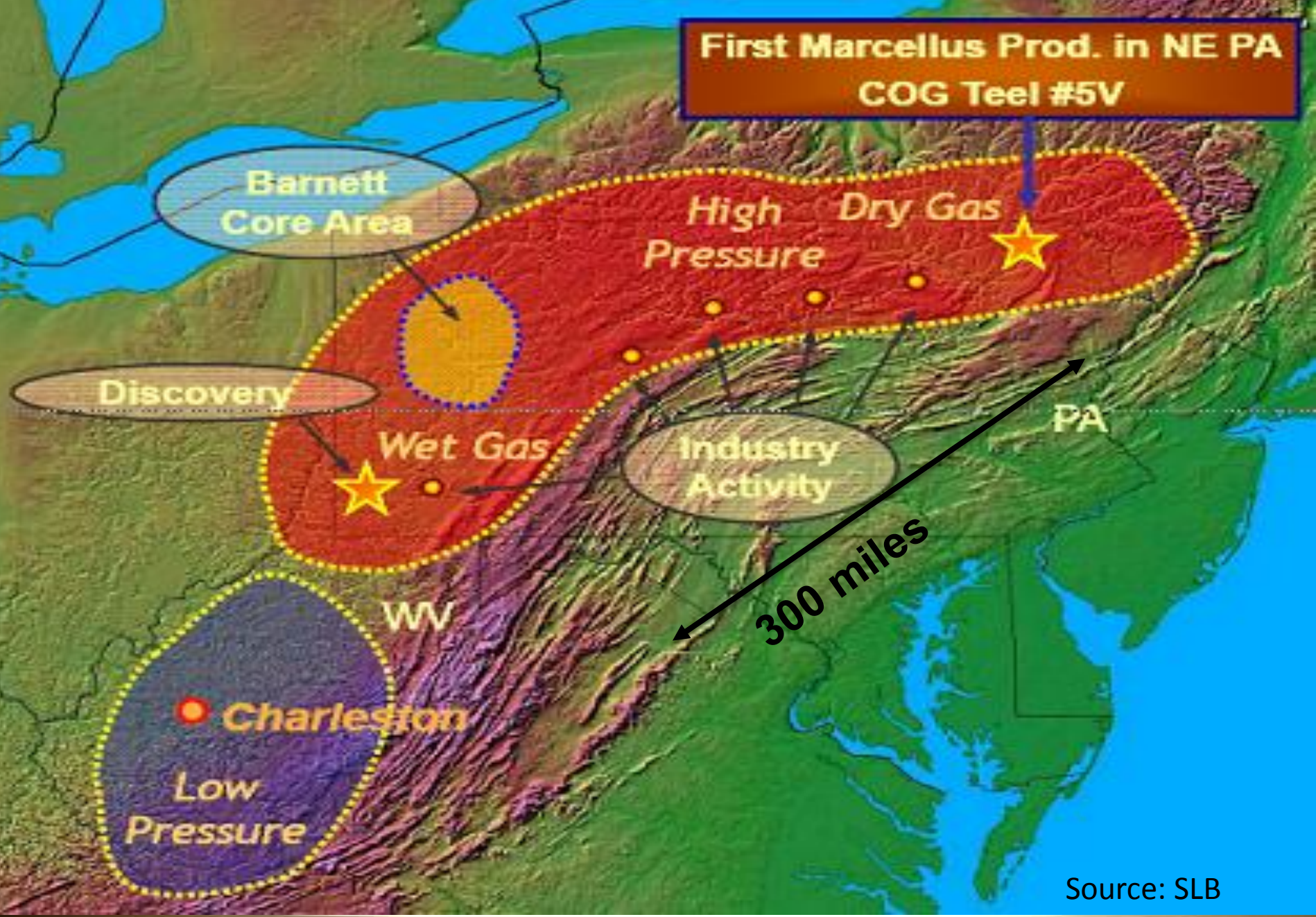
Marcellus Fairway



Key Characteristics

- **The Marcellus shale is naturally fractured throughout the Appalachian Basin.**
- **It carries two vertical joint sets, and hydraulic fracturing works well to exploit these joint sets.**
- **It carries both organic and inorganic porosity.**
- **Pressure regimes vary from high to transitional to low.**
- **The play's west side has high-BTU gas.**

First Marcellus Prod. in NE PA
COG Teel #5V



Source: SLB

Marcellus Pore Types

- Matrix Intergranular
- Kerogen Intraparticle

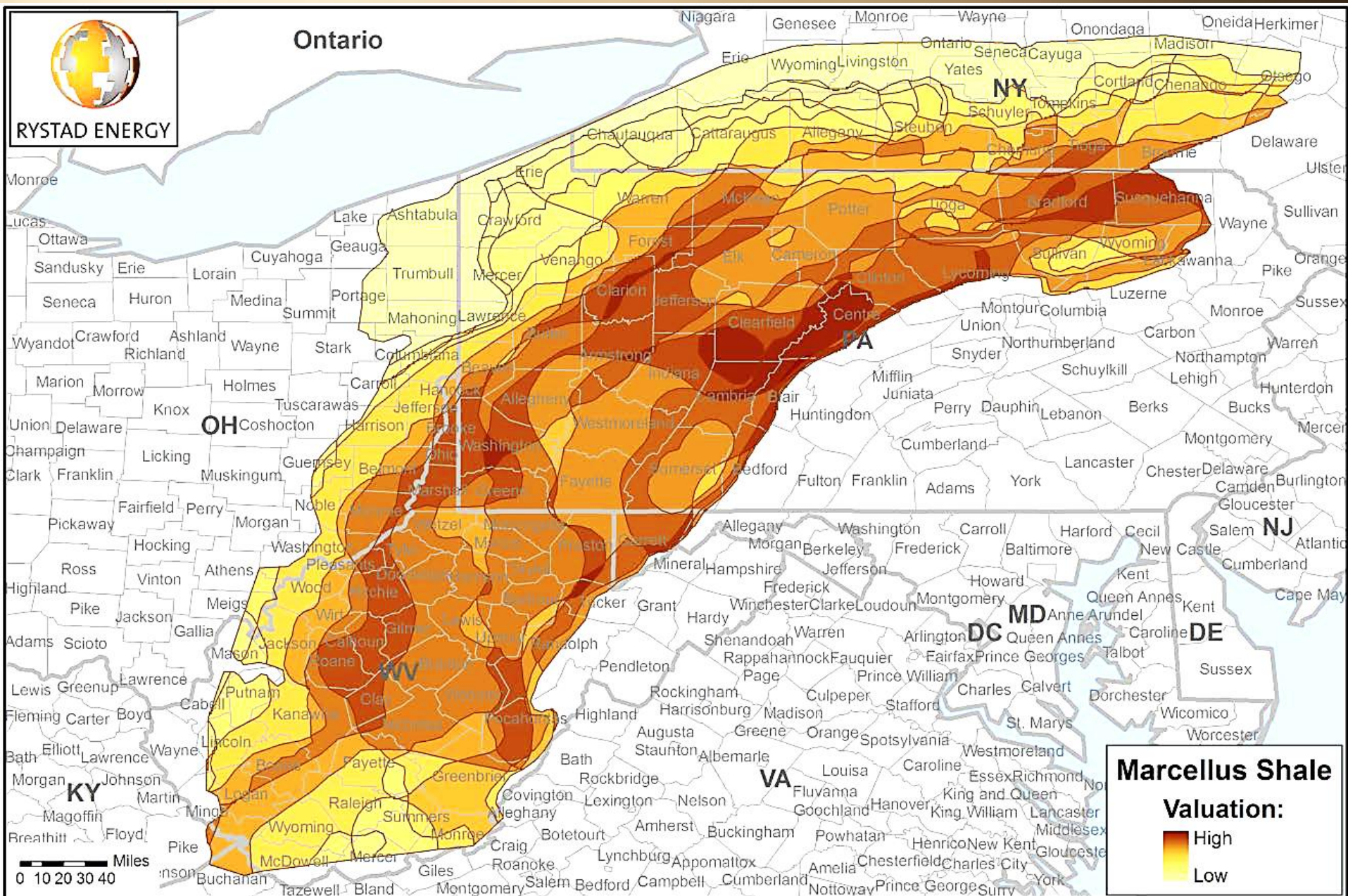
Organic porosity is developed within diagenetically altered kerogen.



Source: Dr. John Ward: Marcellus Porosity Regional Viewpoint, DUG East



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Recoverable Resources

- **OGIP: 20 to 150 Bcf/sq. mile.**
- **U.S.G.S. recently assessed mean undiscovered natural gas resource of 84 Tcf and mean NGL resource of 3,379 million barrels. That equates to 102.5 Tcfe. Last estimate of proved reserves in 2009 was 4.5 Tcfe, for a total of 107 Tcfe.**
- **Hart Energy's North American Shale Quarterly service estimates 130 Tcfe of economically viable resources.**

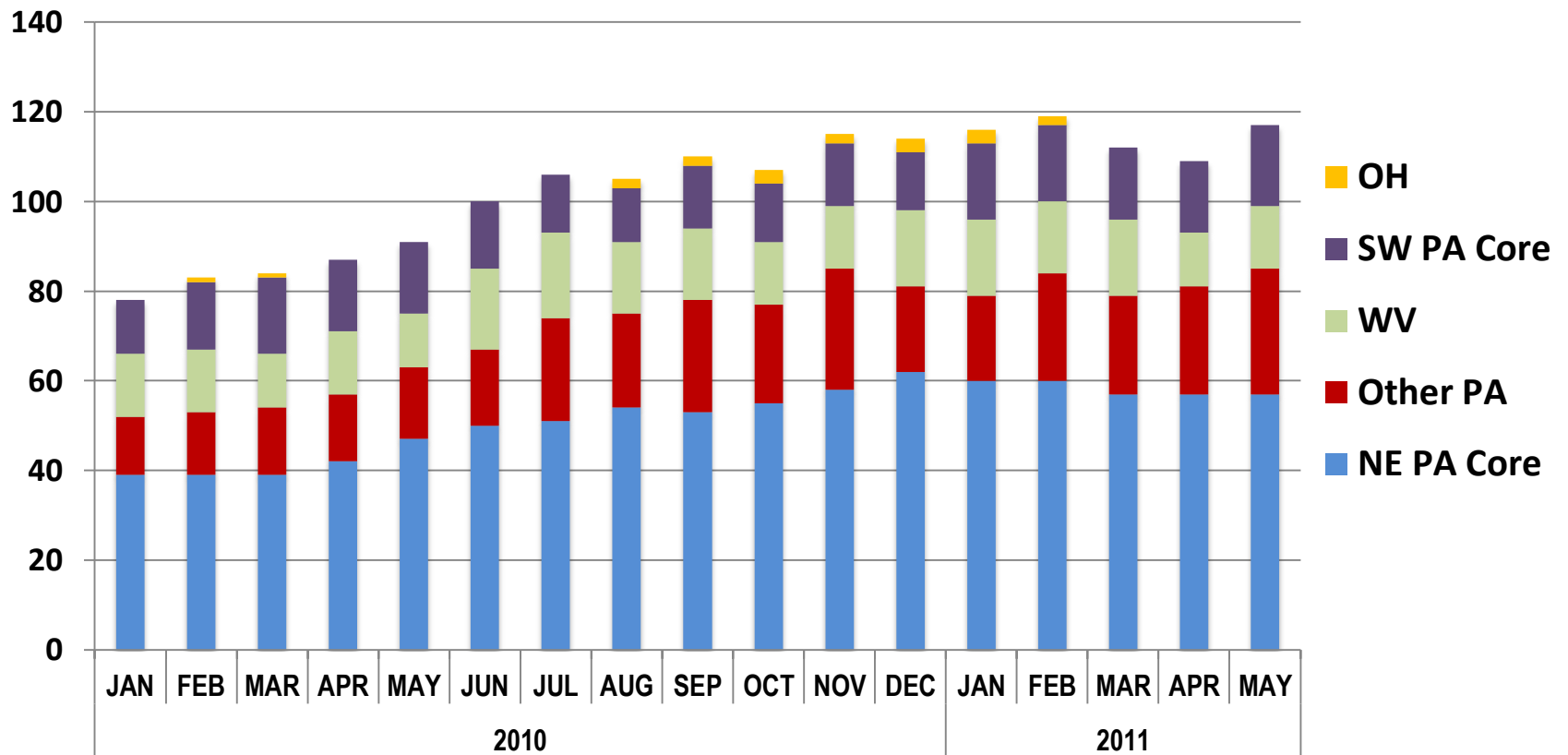
Marcellus Well Specifics

- **Well Cost: \$3.5- to \$6.5 million.**
- **Laterals: ~ 3,500 to 4,500 ft.**
- **Average well design: 10-12 frac stages, pumping 400,000 gallons of water and 400,000 lbs of sand per stage.**
- **Total per-well requirements: 115,000 barrels of water and 2,400 tons of sand.**

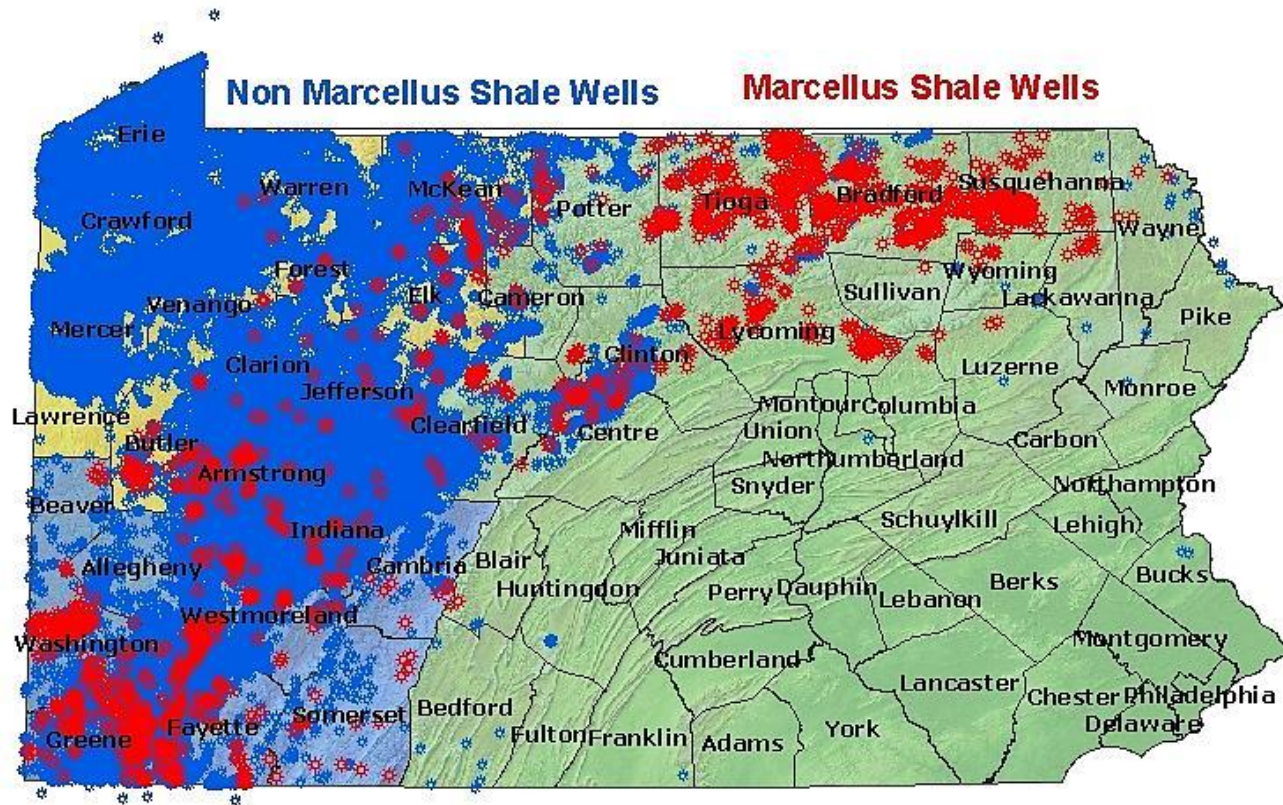
Marcellus Economics

- **Average well makes 4.7 Mmcfe per day for its first 30 days; average EUR is 5.2 Bcfe.**
- **\$5-million per-well cost.**
- **NPV = \$3.83 million per-well average.**
- **Average breakeven costs for the Marcellus for the top operators is \$3.85 per Mcf.**

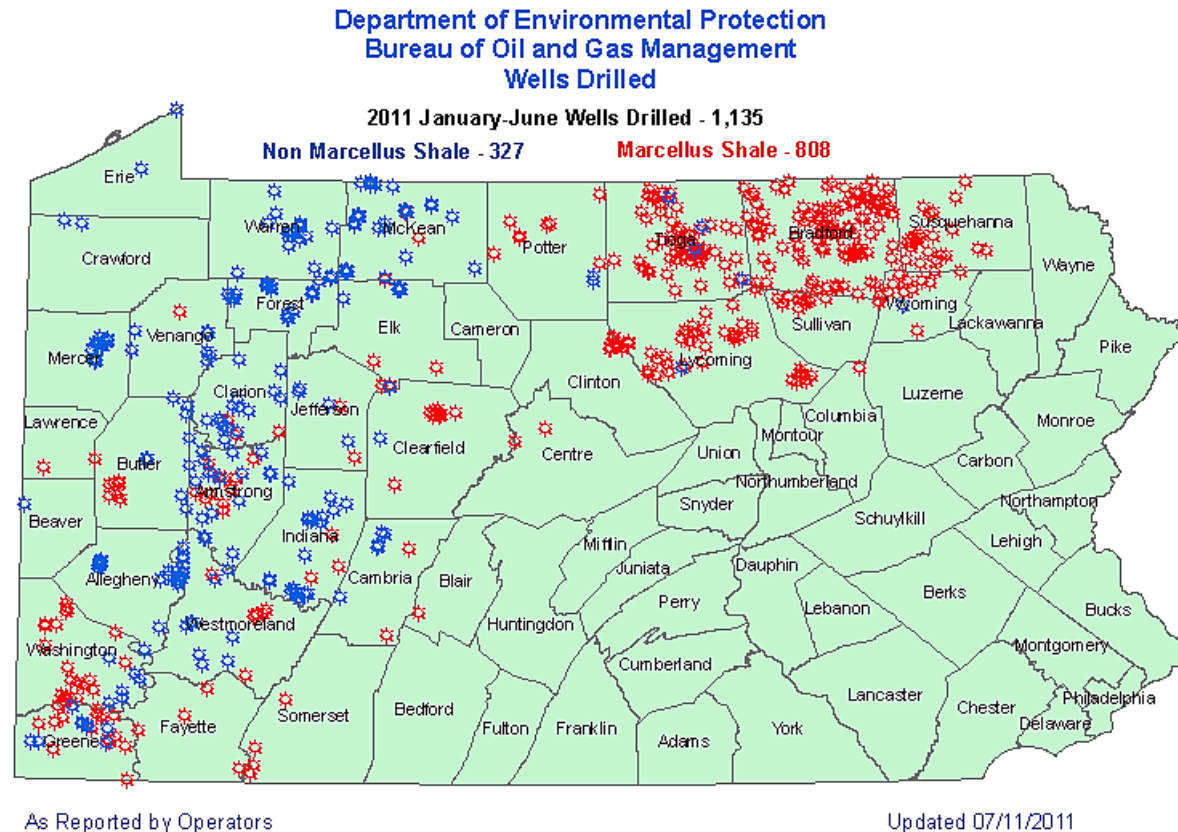
Rig Count By Area



Pennsylvania Activity



2011 1H Wells Drilled, Pennsylvania



Marcellus Top Operators, Pennsylvania

Top 5 Operators Represent 54% of Rig Count

E&P	1Q 10	2Q 10	3Q 10	4Q 10	1Q 11	2Q 11
Chesapeake	13	15	21	22	25	23
Range	11	11	10	11	12	12
Talisman	9	12	10	12	11	10
Anadarko	3	4	6	6	7	7
Chief	3	4	5	5	5	6
All Others	47	47	47	59	58	50
Marcellus	86	93	99	116	118	108

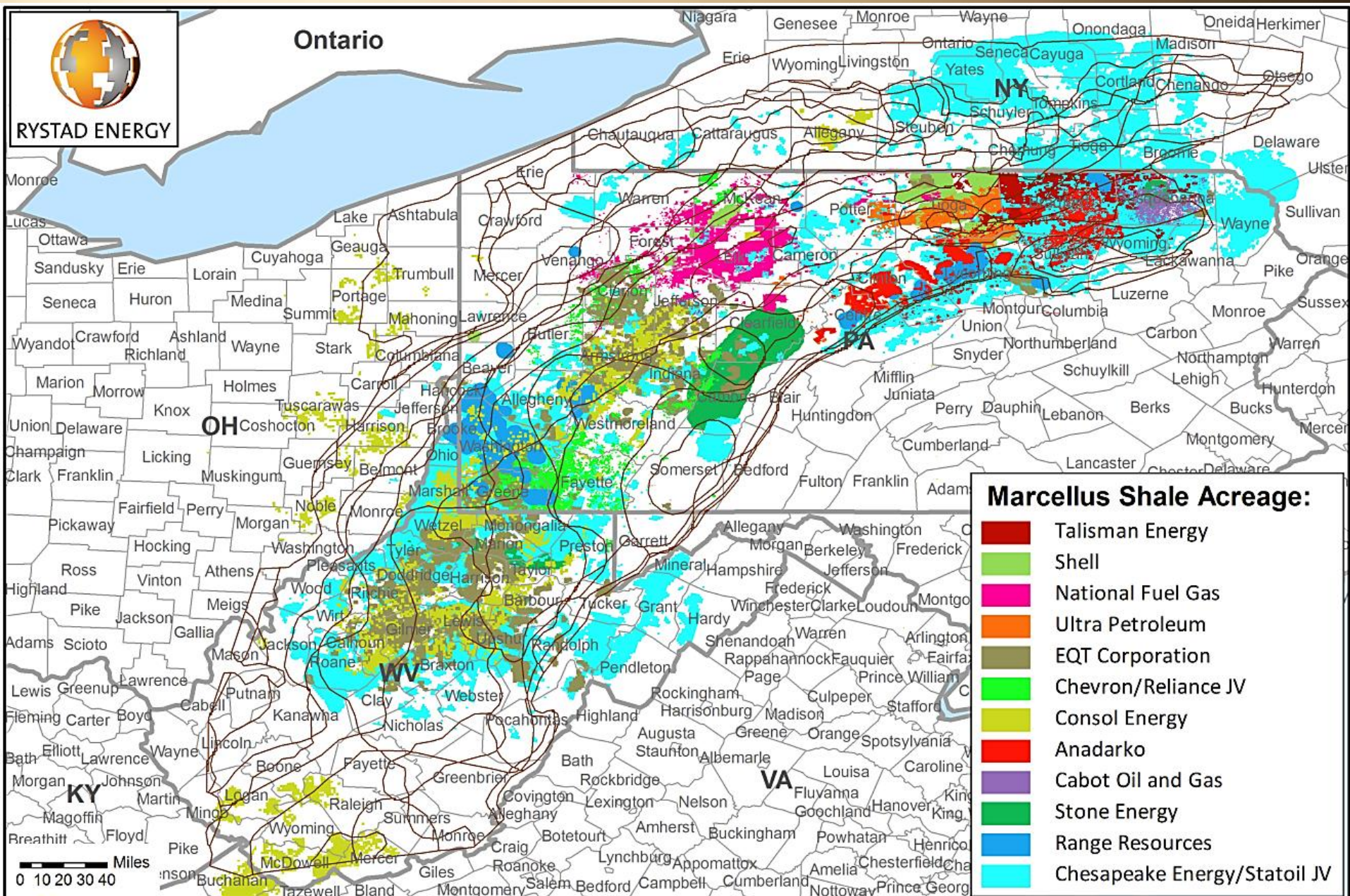
Smith International, Hart Energy

West Virginia Activity

- The new-generation Marcellus play covers ~3 million acres in northern WVa.
- The Marcellus is thinner and has less pressure in WVa, as compared to Pa.
- About 30 rigs are active in WVa.
- Most active operators in WVa are Chesapeake and Antero.

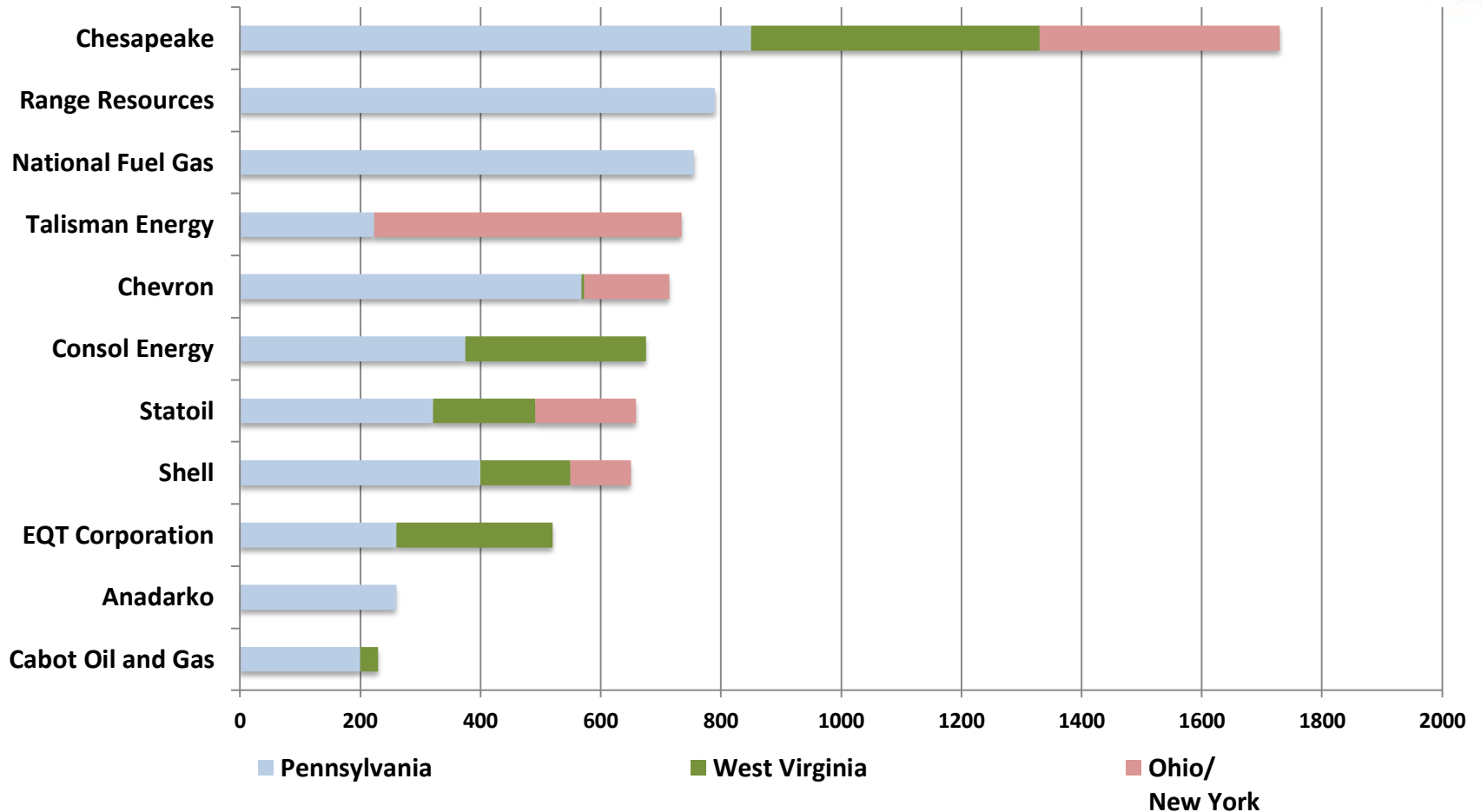


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Company Acreage By State, 000s of Acres

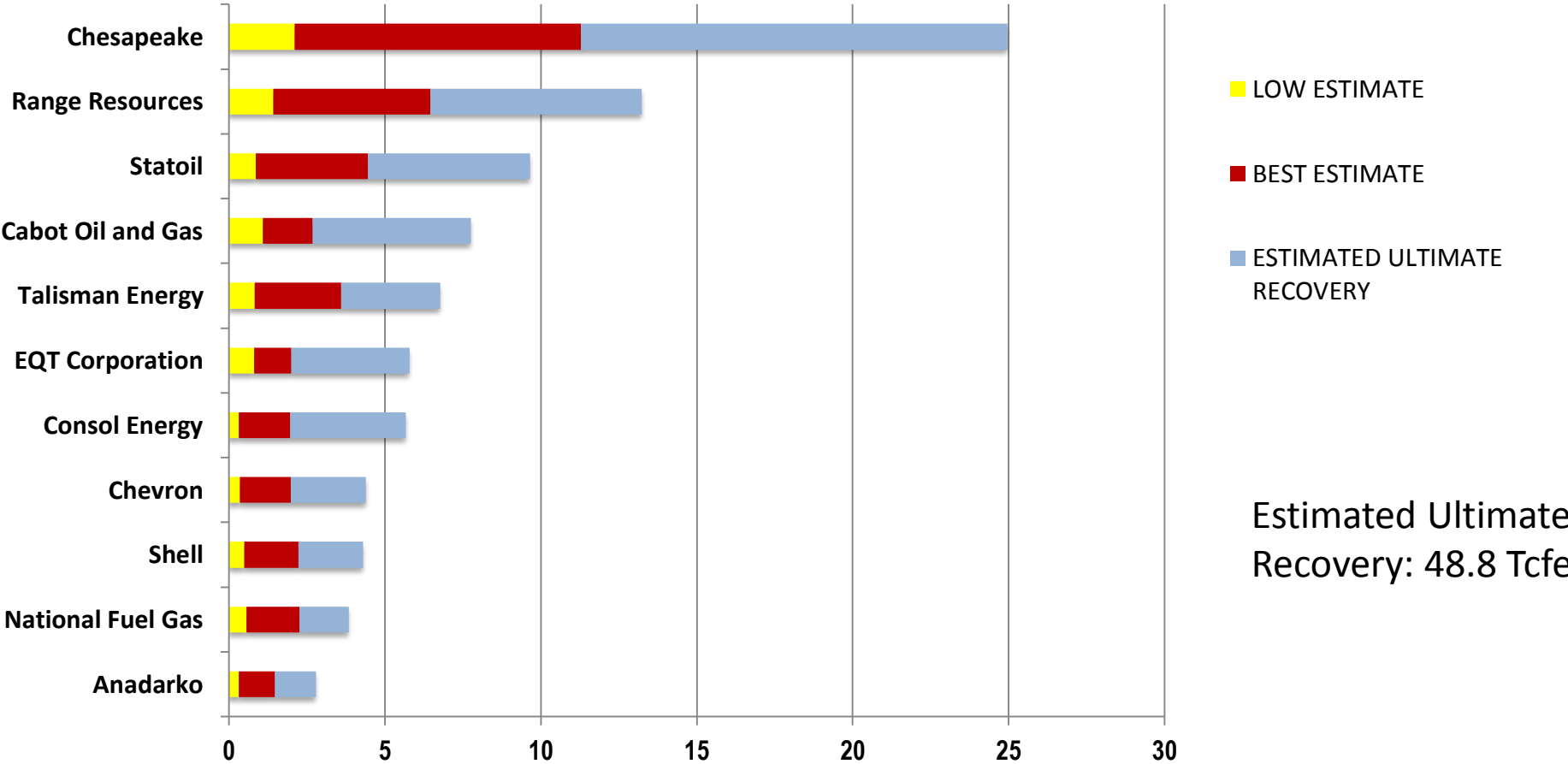


Additional Positions

**These companies hold an additional
3.1 million acres:**

**Carrizo, Williams, Southwestern,
ExxonMobil, EOG, Antero, Triana,
Rex, Stone, Endeavour, Unit, Statoil,
EVEnergy/Enervest, Reliance, Ultra,
EXCO**

Marcellus Resources by Company



Recent Marcellus Transactions

\$21 Billion Since Jan. 1, 2010

Largest deals:

Mitsui/Anadarko, \$1.4 Billion

Consol/Dominion, \$3.5 Billion

Reliance/Atlas, \$1.7 Billion

Shell/East, \$4.7 Billion

Chevron/Atlas, \$4.3 Billion

ExxonMobil/Phillips, \$1.7 Billion

The Marcellus Narrative

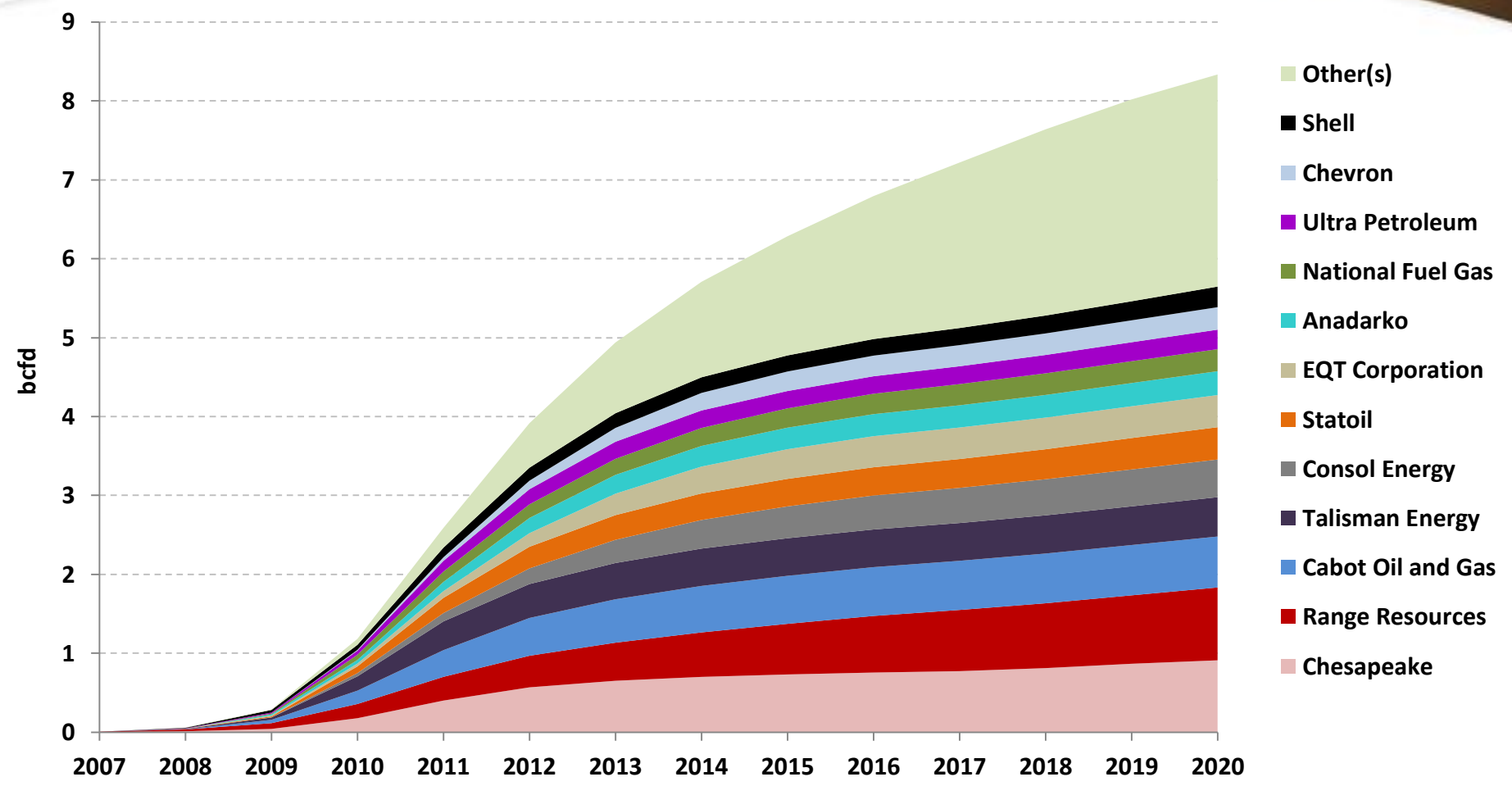
- **The JV-Era of Finance:**
Chesapeake/Statoil; Atlas/Reliance; EXCO/BG;
Anadarko/Mitsui
- **The Majors Move In:**
Shell, Chevron, ExxonMobil
While everyone else gets oilier, majors go for Marcellus gas!
- **Play Is Becoming Concentrated.**

Marcellus Outlook

- **Chevron, ExxonMobil and Shell are still early in their ramp phases.**
- **Another 20 rigs could be added by 2012.**
- **Regulatory and public relations issues could constrain activity, but will not stop it.**

It's only just begun!

Marcellus Production Forecast



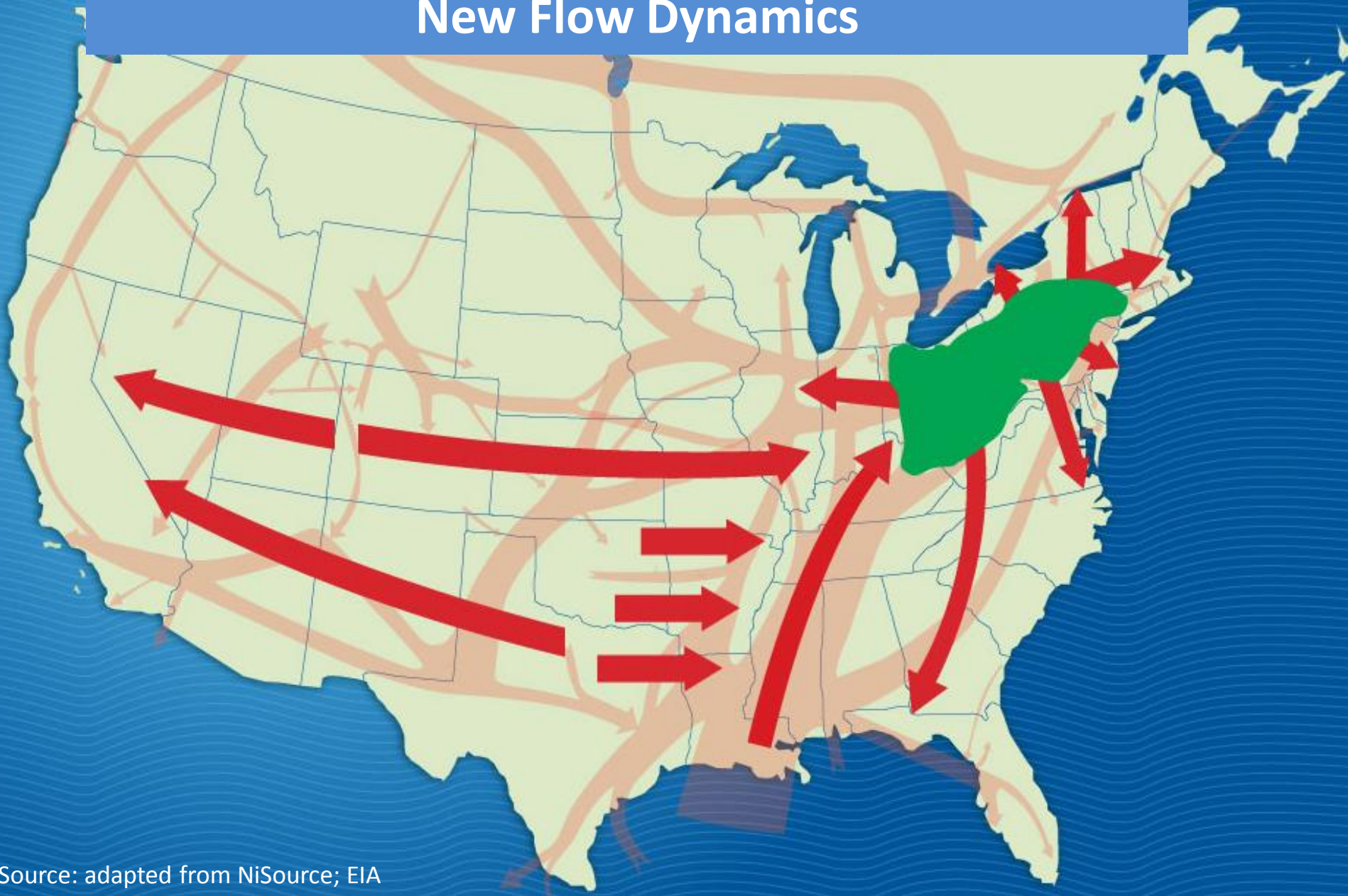
Traditional Flow of Natural Gas, Circa 2008



Source: adapted from NiSource; EIA

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New Flow Dynamics



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