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T. Boone Pickens Media Coverage 4.2.10

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Coverage Summary:

Bloomberg quoted Pickens in two pieces as a result of his interview on *Bloomberg TV* yesterday, which was mentioned throughout the day on the network. In the quotes, Pickens discusses his doubt on how much fuel will be developed in the near term with this new oil and natural gas exploration. He was also mentioned in a third *Bloomberg* piece for his views on oil prices. All of these pieces were picked up by *BusinessWeek.com*.

Fleet Owner took a closer look at the NAT GAS Act and the incentives that would be offered to make the conversion. The piece also mentions the bi-partisan support in the House and the Senate. Pickens is quoted saying those without an energy plan are for foreign oil.

Business Insider also looks at the NAT GAS Act, quoting Dan Boren as saying it has a "real chance" of finding its way through Congress and on to the President's desk by Memorial Day. Boren went on to say that it may get tucked into other legislation.

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o *BusinessWeek.com*

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Obama Announces Plans to Open More Areas of US Coastline to Offshore Drilling – *Greenfudge.org* – 4/1/10

HIGHLIGHTED COVERAGE

Pickens Says U.S. Offshore Drilling Probably Won't Find Much Oil – *Bloomberg* – 4/1/10

By Jim Efstathiou Jr.

April 1 (Bloomberg) -- T. Boone Pickens, the billionaire energy investor, endorsed the Obama administration's plan to open areas of the U.S. East Coast for oil and natural gas exploration although he cast doubt on what might be developed.

"You can drill in those areas," Pickens said in a Bloomberg Television interview broadcast today. "I do not think you'll come up with very much oil. But, let's do it. I am for anything American."

Obama Drilling Plan May Aid Democrats on Climate Bill (Update1) – *Bloomberg* – 4/1/10

By Jim Efstathiou Jr. and Kim Chipman

April 1 (Bloomberg) -- President Barack Obama's pledge to expand offshore oil and natural-gas drilling may help Democrats deliver legislation that regulates carbon dioxide emissions before any fuel is produced.

The president wants to permit exploration in parts of the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean not previously offered to companies such as Exxon Mobil Corp., the largest U.S. energy producer. Obama's offer yesterday doesn't guarantee access to the new areas and needs support from Congress and the states, said Tom Moskitis, a spokesman for the American Gas Association, a Washington-based trade group whose directors include representatives of Xcel Energy Inc. and El Paso Corp.

Obama had highlighted offshore drilling as a prospect for compromise with Republicans on energy and climate legislation Jan. 27 in his State of the Union address. Now, the administration's proposal may bring additional lawmakers onboard as efforts are made in the Senate to craft a new version of the stalled measure.

"The cynical view is that this is an attempt to buy a few more votes for a bill that would introduce carbon regulation," Moskitis said. "I don't know if I would go that far, but today's announcement does not guarantee that oil and gas leasing will indeed take place in the new frontier areas on the outer continental shelf."

The Obama proposal would allow drilling 50 miles off the Virginia coast in what would be the first Atlantic oil and gas sale in more than two decades, and reduce a buffer zone off Florida's west coast from 235 miles (378 kilometers) to 125 miles. It would cancel future lease sales for Alaska's Bristol Bay and delay work in other Alaska waters for further study.

Congressional Compromise

Obama's plan could be reshaped as Senators John Kerry, a Massachusetts Democrat, Lindsey Graham, a South Carolina Republican, and Joseph Lieberman, a Connecticut independent, seek to craft climate legislation after a House-passed approach stalled, said Kevin Book, a Washington-based managing director for Clearview Energy Partners LLC. The compromise, which Kerry said could be introduced the week of April 22, may give states more say over offshore drilling.

"This sets a baseline which is easy to beat," Book said of Obama's plan in an interview. "So if Congress comes in with anything above and beyond that baseline, it's going to generate money and make the climate bill look prettier."

Obama's drilling plan drew a mix of reactions among both proponents and opponents of Obama's energy policies.

'Not Far Enough'

"Some people are saying we went too far; others are saying we didn't go far enough," Carol Browner, Obama's chief adviser on energy and climate policy, said in an interview yesterday with Bloomberg Television.

House Republican Leader John Boehner of Ohio said "it made no sense" to keep the Pacific Coast, Alaska and parts of the Gulf of Mexico under "lock and key" when gas prices are rising.

Oil prices have swung from less than \$20 a barrel in 2001 to a record \$147.27 in July 2008 as investors bet demand growth would outstrip new fields. Crude, which surged 1.7 percent yesterday to a 17-month high, extended the gains, climbing \$1.14, or 1.4 percent, to \$84.90 at 11:44 a.m. in New York trading.

T. Boone Pickens, the billionaire energy investor, endorsed the offshore drilling plan and cast doubt on how much fuel can be produced in the near term. Pickens said the market's reaction had little to do with Obama's announcement.

"Whatever dent it makes will not be for 10 years," Pickens said in a Bloomberg Television interview broadcast today. "The market does not pay any attention to something 10 years out."

Republicans, Environmentalists

Representative Joe Barton, a Texas Republican and ranking member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, said the proposal is "a step in the right direction," and Senator Lisa Murkowski, an Alaska Republican, praised the decision to let companies proceed with existing leases in Alaska's Chukchi and Beaufort seas.

Environmental groups that usually back the president also split in their reactions.

Obama's drilling plan threatens "beaches, wildlife and tourism with oil spills and pollution," Anna Aurilio, director of the Washington office of Environment America, said in a statement.

The Washington-based World Wildlife Fund welcomed the decision to shield Bristol Bay, about 375 miles southwest of Anchorage and home to the world's largest wild sockeye salmon runs, and urged the administration to declare the area permanently off limits.

'Meaningful' Path

Among energy producers, Exxon Mobil said Obama offered a "meaningful" potential path toward adding production, said Cynthia Bergman, a spokeswoman for the Irving, Texas-based producer. "We support measures that align our economic-recovery and energy-security goals," she said.

Houston-based ConocoPhillips, the third-largest U.S. oil company, expects to be allowed to proceed with exploration on its Chukchi Sea leases off the northwestern Alaska coast, spokesman Charlie Rowton said. The company invested \$506 million in February 2008 and its first well is scheduled to be drilled in 2012, he said.

In December, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar conditionally approved Royal Dutch Shell Plc's plan to drill three exploratory wells in the Chukchi Sea after the company spent \$2.1 billion. The Chukchi Sea is estimated to hold 15 billion barrels of recoverable oil and 77 trillion cubic feet of recoverable natural gas reserves.

Gulf Moratorium

Obama needs congressional support to lift the moratorium on drilling close to Florida's west coast, which is in place until 2022. The administration hasn't sent language to Congress for the change, Republican members of the House Natural Resources Committee said in a statement.

Obama proposes to change a 2007-2012 offshore plan while devising a new blueprint for drilling through 2017. In announcing the plan at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland, Obama warned that the U.S. may fall behind nations such as China and Germany in a race to lead in development of clean energy.

"This announcement is part of a broader strategy that will move us from an economy that runs on fossil fuels and foreign oil to one that relies more on homegrown fuels and clean energy," the president said. "The answer is not drilling everywhere all the time."

The administration didn't spell out any plan to share revenue from offshore leasing with nearby states. Senator Mary Landrieu, a Louisiana Democrat, is among lawmakers who have said they won't support climate-change legislation unless it gives states a substantial share of the proceeds from drilling.

State Control

"The governors really do control their coastlines to the point where the federal waters won't be worth the companies' time if the states don't want to go along with it," Book said.

Salazar said Obama's plan to study exploration in the Atlantic south of Delaware doesn't "necessarily mean there will be development there." Opposition by states from New Jersey to Maine ensures they will be exempt from development plans under the new proposals, he said.

Offshore drilling has been a subject of dispute for years. Obama opposed more drilling as a presidential candidate. In August 2008, he said he would support a proposal for increased exploration as long as it was "careful and responsible."

Republicans, led by vice presidential nominee Sarah Palin, the former Alaska governor, called for more exploration with chants of "drill, baby, drill."

Obama's approach is more "drill where it's responsible, promote efficiency, invest in clean energy and create jobs," White House spokesman Bill Burton said yesterday. "I know that doesn't fit on a t-shirt quite as well, but that's a lot more about what President Obama thinks is the right direction."

Schork Says Oil May Reach \$110 by July, Destroying Demand – Bloomberg – 4/1/10

By Julie Hyman and Asjlynn Loder

April 1 (Bloomberg) -- Stephen Schork, president of Schork Group Inc., said today that oil could reach \$110 a barrel before July, prompting cutbacks by U.S. consumers.

"There's a very good chance we could hit \$95," Schork said in a Bloomberg TV interview. "There's a good chance, a reasonable chance, we could hit \$110 a barrel by the end of June. But \$110, at the pump, translates into \$3.50, so we are already on pace to be beyond the threshold where Americans cut back."

Investors such as T. Boone Pickens have bet on higher prices, said Schork, whose energy markets analysis group is based in Villanova, Pennsylvania. If the price reaches \$110 a barrel, it will lead to "demand destruction," he said.

Oil rose \$1.11, or 1.3 percent, to settle at \$84.87 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Crude has risen 6.9 percent this year.

The \$64,000 Question: Tax Credits For NG Vehicles – Fleet Owner – 4/2/10

By Wendy Leavitt

Legislation proposed last year to wean Americans off foreign oil is still waiting for action by Congress. The NAT Gas Act (New Alternative Transportation to Give Americans Solutions Act) would give truck buyers up to \$64,000 per vehicle for the purchase of natural gas–fueled vehicles (NGVs), along with other financial incentives. While the acronym may be a bit awkward, the intention is clear and straight-forward.

According to Jeffery Clarke, general counsel, director of regulatory affairs for NGVAmerica, if passed, the bill would provide income tax credits for conversions, repowers or the purchase of new, dedicated natural gas vehicles equal to 50% of the incremental cost plus an additional 30% if the vehicle meets certain, tighter emissions standards. The maximum credit for a dedicated NGV vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 lbs. or higher would be \$64,000. The credit for bi-fuel vehicles would top out at \$40,000.

The bill would also extend by ten years or more the 50-cent per gasoline-gallon-equivalent excise tax credit and provide credits for the construction of natural gas fueling stations. Additional incentives are also possible. Clarke provided an update on the NAT Gas Act during the recent National NGV Fleet Summit presented by Clean Energy in Louisville, KY last month.

Both the House and Senate versions of the bill have bi-partisan support. HR 1835, as the measure is known in the House, was introduced about a year ago on April 1, 2009, by Rep. Dan Boren (D-OK), John Larson (D-CT) and John Sullivan (R-OK). The Senate version, SR 1408, was authored by Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and co-sponsored by Orrin Hatch (R-UT) and Harry Reid (D-NV). More than 120 other members of Congress likewise support the proposed legislation.

T. Boone Pickens, founder and chairman of BP Capital Management, best-selling author, energy advisor to U.S. presidents and winner of dozens of awards for his achievements, also lent his support to passage of the NAT Gas Act during his keynote presentation at the National NGV Fleet Summit.

“If you don’t have an energy plan, you do,” he noted. “It is foreign oil. That is the way it is going to come down. At least with natural gas, you have an option. You may not like that plan, but it is a plan.”

Pickens, who will be 82 years old in May, has been supporting natural gas as the path to an energy independent future since 1988.

The Taxpayer's Big Gift To T. Boone Pickens Has A "Real Chance" Of Coming By May – Business Insider – 4/2/10

By Gregory White

The T. Boone Pickens backed Natural Gas Act has a "real chance" of finding its way through Congress and on to the President's desk by Memorial Day, according to Congressman Dan Boren, the bill's author.

And while the act is not likely to be a part of a major energy overhaul, according to Congressman Boren, it's likely it will get tucked into a jobs bill or another catch all piece of legislation before the end of May.

The Natural Gas Act includes provisions to increase the use of gas amongst government and private consumers. The goal, according to the Congressman, is to, "make sure we have a demand for natural gas."

Part of the problem with the natural gas market is that demand growth is low. Traditional sources, like the industrial sector and electricity production have low demand growth, 1.2% and 1.8% respectively. The real opportunity for growth is in fuel for automobiles where natural gas is hardly used.

That being said -- while it's alluring and cheap -- the lack of infrastructure is a huge problem.

Without an increase in demand, companies will find it hard to make a profit in 2 to 3 years, according to the Congressman.

That is also true for T. Boone Pickens, whose investments in natural gas include his Clean Energy Fuels Corp., which is the "largest provider of natural gas for transportation in North America," according to its website.

Pickens owns 47% of the common stock of Clean Energy Fuels Corp., which gives him a controlling interest in the company. The firm's net income for 2009 was a negative \$33.7 million.

The Natural Gas Act includes specific provisions for the promotion of sale of natural gas and natural gas powered vehicles:

-  By increasing the lifetime of the Alternative Fuel Credit and including compressed natural gas and liquefied natural gas as fuels
-  Providing tax credits for the purchase of natural gas vehicles
-  Defining natural gas vehicles as alternative fuel vehicles
-  The lesser of \$4000 or 10% of manufacturing cost in credit to the manufacturer for the production of a natural gas powered vehicles
-  Including natural gas in the scope of alternative fuel stations eligible for a tax credit
-  The lesser of \$100,000 or 50% of the cost of building a natural gas refueling station as a tax credit to the taxpayer
-  Requirement that 50% of the federal government's new fleet vehicles by 2014 be operational on natural gas
-  Up to \$30 million in Energy Department grants to natural gas vehicle developers yearly

Clean Energy Fuels Corp. produces natural gas, converts automobiles which run on traditional gasoline to natural gas, manages fleets of natural gas vehicles, and, "designs, builds, operates and maintains natural gas fueling stations."

Democratic Rep. John B. Larson and Republican Rep. John Sullivan, two sponsors of the Natural Gas Act, have received campaign donations from Clean Energy Fuels Corp. of \$6,250 in 2010, according to OpenSecrets.org.

BLOG/ONLINE COVERAGE

T. Boone Pickens Oil & Gas Stocks: Transocean Inc., Hess Corp., Devon Energy Corp., Occidental Petroleum Corp., Chesapeake Energy Corp., SandRidge Energy – *Gurufocus* – 4/2/10

T. Boone Pickens, founder and chairman of Dallas-based BP Capital LLC, spoke with Bloomberg's Margaret Brennan yesterday about President Barack Obama's pledge to expand offshore oil and natural gas drilling and the outlook for U.S. energy policy. The president wants to permit exploration in parts of the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean not previously offered to companies such as Exxon Mobil Corp., the country's largest energy producer.

Naturally, T. Boone Pickens's hedge fund is full of Oil & Gas companies:

No. 1: Transocean Inc. (RIG), Weightings: 12.76% - 345,980 Shares

Transocean LTD., formerly Transocean Inc., is an international provider of offshore contract drilling services for oil and gas wells. Transocean Inc. has a market cap of \$27.78 billion; its shares were traded at around \$86.38 with a P/E ratio of 7.6 and P/S ratio of 2.4. Transocean Inc. had an annual average earning growth of 22% over the past 10 years.

Hess Corporation, is a global integrated energy company engaged in the exploration for and the production, purchase, transportation and sale of crude oil and natural gas, as well as the production and sale of refined petroleum products, electricity. Hess Corp. has a market cap of \$20.47 billion; its shares were traded at around \$62.55 with a P/E ratio of 31.7 and P/S ratio of 0.7. The dividend yield of Hess Corp. stocks is 0.7%. Hess Corp. had an annual average earning growth of 8.4% over the past 10 years. GuruFocus rated Hess Corp. the business predictability rank of 4.5-star.

No. 3: Devon Energy Corp. (DVN), Weightings: 9.41% - 287,414 Shares

Devon Energy Corporation is an independent energy company engaged primarily in oil and gas exploration, development and production, and in the acquisition of producing properties. Devon Energy Corp. has a market cap of \$28.79 billion; its shares were traded at around \$64.43 with a P/E ratio of 16 and P/S ratio of 3.6. The dividend yield of Devon Energy Corp. stocks is 1%.

No. 4: Occidental Petroleum Corp. (OXY), Weightings: 7.71% - 212,912 Shares

Occidental Petroleum Corp. explores for, develops, produces and markets crude oil and natural gas and manufactures and markets a variety of basic chemicals, including chlorine, caustic soda, and ethylene dichloride, as well as specialty chemicals and vinyls, including polyvinyl chloride resins and vinyl chloride monomer. Occidental Petroleum Corp. has a market cap of \$68.64 billion; its shares were traded at around \$84.54 with a P/E ratio of 22.4 and P/S ratio of 4.4. The dividend yield of Occidental Petroleum Corp. stocks is 1.6%. Occidental Petroleum Corp. had an annual average earning growth of 13.6% over the past 10 years.

No. 5: Chesapeake Energy Corp. (CHK), Weightings: 7.12% - 617,751 Shares

Chesapeake Energy Corp. is an independent oil and gas company engaged in the development, exploration, acquisition and production of onshore natural gas and oil reserves. Chesapeake Energy Corp. has a market cap of \$15.41 billion; its shares were traded at around \$23.64 with a P/E ratio of 9.3 and P/S ratio of 2. The dividend yield of Chesapeake Energy Corp. stocks is 1.3%. Chesapeake Energy Corp. had an annual average earning growth of 14.9% over the past 10 years. GuruFocus rated Chesapeake Energy Corp. the business predictability rank of 5-star.

No. 6: SANDRIDGE ENERGY INC (SD), Weightings: 6.58% - 1,567,860 Shares

SandRidge Energy, Inc. is an oil and natural gas company headquartered in Oklahoma City with its principal focus on exploration and production. Sandridge Energy Inc has a market cap of \$1.62 billion; its shares were traded at around \$7.7 with a P/E ratio of 9.9 and P/S ratio of 2.7.

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Obama Announces Plans to Open More Areas of US Coastline to Offshore Drilling – *Greenfudge.org – 4/1/10*

By Heidi Marshall

Yesterday, President Barack Obama announced plans to open large areas of the US coastline to oil and natural gas drilling. The areas include nearly 167 million acres (67 million hectares) of ocean along the Atlantic coast, Alaska's north coast and eastern portions of the Gulf of Mexico. There would be no drilling along the Pacific coastline, or anywhere on the Atlantic coastline (except Bristol Bay) from New Jersey to the north.

Supposedly, the proposal is focused on reducing dependence on foreign oil sources, while profiting from the sales of offshore leases. However, one interesting thing to note is during Obama's 2008 campaign trail, he resisted opposition calls to free up thousands of miles (km) along the US coastline for this very purpose. On top of the drilling plans, Obama is also pushing to open new nuclear power plants as another step in gaining oil and energy independence.

The move is considered to be quite risky. Even though it may gain the support of energy companies and those who support domestic drilling, it is also likely to receive much criticism and upset from environmental groups. In fact, it already has. Tired of the same old arguments between conservatives and environmentalists, Obama stated in his speech:

"We need to move beyond the tired debates of the left and the right, between business leaders and environmentalists, between those who would claim drilling is a cure-all and those who claim it has no place. This issue is just too important to allow our progress to languish while we fight the same old battles over and over again."

However, environmental groups are not about to back down without a fight—particularly not until they win the fight altogether. In response to Obama's announcement (particularly where the Alaskan Arctic territory is concerned), Brendan Cummings, senior counsel of the Center for Biological Diversity, remarked:

"Today's announcement is unfortunately all too typical of what we have seen so far from President Obama—promises of change, a year of 'deliberation', and ultimately, adoption of flawed and outdated Bush policies. Short of sending Sarah Palin back to Alaska to personally club polar bears cubs to death, the Obama administration could not have come up with a more efficient extinction plan for the polar bear."

Executive director of the Sierra Club, Michael Brune, is also not pleased with the decision. He commented that drilling in the Arctic "threatens marine life like whale and polar bears" because "the constant danger of oil spills" and offshore drilling will "jeopardize beaches, marine life, and coastal tourist economies"; and none of it will reduce the cost of oil or lead to energy independence. He also added:

"What we need is bold, decisive steps towards clean energy, like the new clean cars regulations announced this week—not more dirty, expensive offshore drilling." ... "The oil industry already has access to drilling on millions of acres of America's public lands and water. We don't need to hand over our last protected pristine coastal areas just so oil companies can break more profit records."

As far as the business leaders go, reactions were rather mixed amongst them. While some are most certainly happy about the prospect of offshore drilling, they do not like there are still limitations on where the drilling can take place. Then, there is also the matter of the politicians. On one hand, the proposal could sway some Republicans to vote in favor of new climate legislation; but on the other hand, it could lose a number of green supporters and Democrats.

Unfortunately, even if (or when) the offshore drilling goes into effect, it most likely won't do any good anyway. There is a slim chance that all the extra drilling will ensure dependence from foreign oil or even lessen gas prices to a reasonable amount again. According to Edward Markey, Democratic head of the House of Representatives panel on Energy Independence and Global Warming, oil companies already hold the offshore drilling rights "to an area the size of Pennsylvania on which they aren't actually drilling. Before oil companies drill off thousands of miles of pristine coastline, they should first use the thousands of drilling leases they already own". Due to this issue, Markey plans to re-introduce legislation that would place an increasing fee on oil drilling rights not being used by the companies.

The good news is the drilling most likely won't happen for quite a few years. There are still a number of legal challenges to contend with, especially from environmental groups, plus further research to be done. The Interior Department is also planning to take another look at the environmental risks of Arctic drilling. Oil industry expert, T Boone Pickens, also believes that a move towards natural gas and renewable energy would be better than focusing on offshore oil drilling. He claims that "natural gas is the way to go," noting that it's "cleaner, it's cheaper, it's abundant, and it's ours. Why not use it?"

I would definitely have to agree that working on more renewable energy initiatives and projects is the better way to go. Now, if we could only convince the politicians, conservatives and oil companies of the same thing.

BROADCAST COVERAGE

1. Street Smart

Bloomberg, National | DMA: 0

04/01/2010, 04:00 PM - 05:00 PM

[CC] 00:06:31 Let's take a moment right now to look at commodities, and one specifically, crude **oil**, sitting at a 52-week high, maybe an 18-month high, or a 17-month high here. Dominic Chu is going to join us to talk about the action and give us a forecast about some big names. We've got crude **oil** futures and gasoline futures hovering around their 17, 18-month highs. Crude touched about \$85. 22 Per barrel earlier today. That is the highest level since October of 2008. Now, over the course of the past quarter, it's up over 5% and up over 70% from a year ago. We have legendary **oil** man, **BoonePickens**, thinks we could see \$90 here soon. There's more behind this than a one-week figure on what we have in the way of supply. But this is going to move up. You're now in a trading range of 80 to 90. Well, Matt, we still see bullish numbers all over the world right now. ...00:08:04

Audience: N/A Spot Cost: N/A

2. Bloomberg News

Bloomberg, National | DMA: 0

04/01/2010, 01:00 PM - 02:00 PM

[CC] 00:12:40 Here in response to President Obama's announcement about opening up offshore drilling, **T. BoonePickens** says he thinks **oil** prices are on the way up and **natural gas** should be a key part of the **energy** policy. He spoke with Margaret Brennan. > The dollar is a factor. When the dollar is weak, **oil** is up. Face the facts. All the world can produce is 85 million barrels of **oil** a day. The 85 million barrels now, the projections are that you're going to need 86 or 86. 5 Million barrels a day. This is going to move up. You are now in a trading range of 80 and 90. You had just come out of 70-80. Is it right or wrong to have the market reaction that we w today with oil moving up and the energy producers and the drillers go up, yet it sounds like there is still some skepticism that this will not make a dent? > You are right. Whenever dent it makes it will not be for 10 years the market does not pay attention to something 10 years out. You can drill those areas, but I do not think you will come up with very much oil. But, let's do it. I am for anything American. I want to get off of oil from the Mideast. That is what I want to do. I think that is a security issue. Why are you making such a bet on natural gas? It is the only one you have. Because it is so cheap? No. He did not have other resources in America that could compete against foreign oil. It is the only resource we have. It is the only one we you --We have, whether you like it or not. It is cheap. Fortunately it is very cheap. It is probably selling at half of the price of true value. Usually oil at \$80 a barrel, natural gas is \$8. Oil is \$83, natural gas is \$4. You are half of where the normal hang out point is for natural gas. Use it. It is the best fuel you have got. It is cleaner. It is cheaper. It is ours. It is abundant. Pickens is confident the country will have an energy plan as soon as Memorial Day.00:16:34

[CC] 00:22:42 You heard **T. BoonePickens** speaking earlier. Here's what he had to say about what appeared if you have a tight supply, the only way you can control demand is raise the price. It is while raising on fundamentals? Stephen Shorck is here. Where you come out on the speculation against fundamentals of debate in terms of the recent price action? Let's put things into perspective. In the fourth quarter of 2009, Exxon Mobil, the largest oil company in the United States, lost \$3. 5 Million a day. All of big oil in North America lost a lot of money in trying to turn \$70 oil and make a profit. Now, we are into the second quarter. People like **T. BoonePickens** have taken a lot of people's money and they are throwing it at the market. That is the way he bets. Not just here in the U.S., but globally, people are finding things encouraging. Does that mean there will be markets for this oil? There will be markets at the correct price. We know that from recent history, the last time I checked the US still consumes the majority of the world crude-oil. We know the vehicle miles traveled broke an upward linear trend in the third quarter of 2005. What happened in 2005? Hurricane Katrina. We saw that upward trend break. We saw it turned negative in early 2007 at the start of the recession. We know that gasoline at \$2. 90, To dollars and 3. 30 cents, we do not see Americans liking to buy at that level. When will that price happen? At the rate we are going, if the likes of Wall Street and **T. BoonePickens** are correct, there is a very good chance we could hit \$95, there's a reasonable chance that we could hit \$110 a barrel by the end of June. A hundred \$110 at the pump translates to about \$3.50. We are already on pace to be beyond the threshold where Americans cut back. Remind --I remind you, that if you see it in the United States, you will see it in Europe and in China as well. If we get to these levels, are you then a seller of **oil**? We are looking at a historical connection

between when **oil** prices. **T. BoonePickens** picked up on it before. We look at it as a pure heat value. Crude **oil** is trading at 250% premium to **naturalgas**. I want to own gasoline . I do not want to own crude **oil** at this point. Stephen Shorck, we have to leave it there. We will be right back.00:27:11
Audience: N/A **Spot Cost:** N/A

3. Stossel

Fox Business Network, National | DMA: 0

04/01/2010, 08:00 PM - 09:00 PM

[CC] 00:19:27 (guest is Jerry Taylor of Cato Institute)...We relied on solar and **wind** power before the industrial revolution and the reason we moved away is these are highly dispersed forms of **energy**, a lot of land, very expensive to harness the **energy** and very hard to store the **energy** getting it to where the consumers are. Where the **wind** blows strongest and the **wind** is brightest and they generally do not tend to live. That is why **T. BoonePickens** wants the federal government to pony up hundreds of billions of dollars to get it to the consumer. That is something they ought to pay for itself. John: what difference would it make? Hard to say. You can get a lot of power, but a veritable source of **energy**, the **wind** does not always blow when you need it. Most of it comes during the winter, not during the summer and during the night, not during the day. When we not need the electricity. On a hot summer day the **winds** generally does not blow so not a good source of **energy**. John: even if it worked well, 50% of electricity possibly? If you want to pave the country ... a **windmill** you will get a lot but maybe not when you want it or where you want it.00:20:37

Audience: N/A **Spot Cost:** N/A

4. The Paul W. Smith Show

WJR-AM (ABC) Freq. 760, Detroit | DMA: 11

04/01/2010, 07:00 AM - 08:00 AM

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Audience: 35,900 **Spot Cost:** \$387

5. The Nightside Project

KSL-AM (IND) Freq. 1160, Salt Lake City | DMA: 31

03/31/2010, 07:00 PM - 08:00 PM

00:02:32 ...but house GOP leader John Boehner says the Obama plan doesn't go far enough ..faces criticism from the left too ... Layla Monroe with the Natural Resources Defense Council "the drilling on our eastern seaboard holds tremendous risk". **TBoonePickens**,the **oil** baron pushing for **energy** independence, calls the plan an important step. 00:05:22

Audience: 3,700 **Spot Cost:** \$14

6. Ricci Ware

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01:05:50 ...but house GOP leader John Boehner says the Obama plan doesn't go far enough ..faces criticism from the left too ... Layla Monroe with the Natural Resources Defense Council "the drilling on our eastern seaboard holds tremendous risk". **TBoonePickens**,the **oil** baron pushing for **energy** independence, calls the plan an important step. 01:08:01

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