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Coverage Summary:

In a segment on new climate change legislation and its potential to reshape the way Americans power their cars and homes, Mike Morris, CEO of American Electric Power, shared his insight and mentioned that he is a supporter of the Pickens Plan. **Link to clip** (Pickens mention at minute 5:52): <http://www.cnbc.com/id/15840232/?video=1512420211&play=1>

Former Central Intelligence Agency Director James Woolsey interviewed with Bloomberg on his view that U.S. reliance on foreign oil is a national security issue. Woolsey mentions Pickens' idea to use natural gas as a way to reduce our dependence on foreign oil. **Link to clip** (Pickens mention is at minute 4:30): <http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=newsarchive&sid=a3ngoHRYnqeg>

The Houston Chronicle ran an article today discussing the oil spill in the Gulf noting the need for the President to consider the Pickens Plan as an alternative to deepwater drilling.

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- **Oil By The Numbers** – *The Houston Chronicle* – 6/3/10

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HIGHLIGHTED COVERAGE

1. InBusiness

Bloomberg, National | DMA: 0

06/03/2010, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[EC] 00:13:59 ... It is hard to find someone to get --Making strong case for what the alternative is. I hear that Canada is the biggest supplier of **oil** to the U.S. , And they will see a big support of our tar sands. Companies like Total will have more opportunities for offshore drilling with the moratorium in the U.S. 95% of transportation is **oil**. As long as we stay there, whether we are getting it from Canada or Brazil, as long as we stay on **oil** we are in very deep trouble . We have to move to destroy **oil**'s monopoly over transportation. I do not think there is any alternative to that. The way you can do that is to make internal combustion engines a lot more efficient. There is great technology. **BoonePickens**'s idea about **naturalgas** is good. Plug in hybrids are good. Dropping in **fuels**' like bio... -- I'm sorry. We have to leave it there. 00:18:59

Keywords:TZ; Cleaner **Energy:** Gulf **oil** disaster; OPEC; Middle East; War on Terror; nuclear **energy**; Venture Capital; Cap and Trade; CO2; electricity; refrigerators; salt; monopoly; Canada; Total; Petrobras; drilling moratorium; Brazil; **BoonePickens**; **naturalgas**; plug in hybrids;

Visuals:wind farms; solar panels; US **energy** use by source in 2008, source: **Energy** Department;

Speakers:James Woolsey, fmr. CIA Director;

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

2. Closing Bell

CNBC, National | DMA: 0

06/03/2010, 03:00 PM - 04:00 PM

[EC] 00:22:25 ...I think they are doing everything they can. I think that Tony has been straight forward with what the obligations are, and I am sure they will follow through with that. And as far as alternatives to **oil**, this opens up so many debates in terms of where the alternatives are. Much of the electricity is being **fueled** by coal, is that right? Yes, indeed. So how important is coal, and is there becoming a more reliance on the coal, and what about **naturalgas**? Do you plan on reducing that position in terms of the majority being **fueled** by coal? I would think that under --Going back to the legislation, under the Kerry/Lieberman Bill or anything coming out of the Congress, we will all ultimately move toward cleaner coal as well as **naturalgas**. Most Americans don't appreciate that there is almost no **oil** left in the manufacturing business. There used to be plants up here in the far northeast, and some electric-coal fired plants, probably is less than 1% of the electricity is made with that **fuel**. And so you see companies like ours and today, BMW with the calculations on the mileage of the electric vehicles, and Nissan will bring out the Leaf, and the GM is bringing out the Volt, and we are all incredibly prepared for electric vehicles, and I'm a big supporter of the **BoonePickens'** plan. When you go to Europe, you see almost every delivery vehicle is natural **gas**-fired and here in America, it is much more. That is silly. Shale **gas**? Yes, it takes us to a 100-year reserve of life, and America needs to take advantage of it. There are environmental issues of how you bring the shale **gas** to the market, and folks are worried about that and rightfully so. It will be addressed. Things like event, BPP in the Gulf raises everyone's awareness of the obligations to the environment. And to your point the men and women who work at the American power are very concerned about the environment in which they live.... 00:29:50

Keywords: TZ; American Electric Power; Climate change; Gulf of Mexico; Kerry-Lieberman bill; Waxman-Markey bill; China; Global warming; Tony Hayward; BP; Coal; BMW; Nissan Leaf; GM's Volt; **Pickens Plan**; **T. Boone Pickens**; **Natural gas** supply;

Visuals: Facts and figures about AEP; Map of states powered by AEP; AEP charts;

Speakers: Mike Morris, American Electric Power Chairman, President and CEO; Joe Moglia, Chairman of TD Ameritrade and Guest Host

Audience: 355,033 **Spot Cost:** \$2,925

Oil By The Numbers – *The Houston Chronicle* – 6/3/10

While waiting and hoping for an end to the spill, let's address our insatiable demand

The oil spill has left the central Gulf of Mexico awash in goo and the nervously watching American public buried in a blizzard of numbers: 20,000 barrels per day gushing into Gulf waters; 20,000 workers striving around the clock to plug the spill; nearly 1,400 vessels mobilized for the effort; millions of feet of boom to corral the oil; a million or so gallons of dispersant to break it up. And much more of everything in prospect as the effort continues to plug the runaway well and stop the mess from widening.

We'll offer one number that hasn't received the attention it deserves: 20 million. That's roughly the number of barrels of oil consumed each day by this country's cars, trucks, heavy equipment — everything.

It's a big number. To put things in perspective, if the BP spill is flowing at 20,000 barrels per day, that makes for an environmental catastrophe, but it amounts to a statistical rounding error when compared with daily U.S. oil consumption. It's roughly one-tenth of 1 percent of what we use daily.

We bring this up to call attention to the obvious: If this country is serious about reducing our oil dependency and, by inference, the amount of drilling at great depths offshore, we'll have to make some major inroads on the demand side. Short of that, shutting down drilling and production for any length of time in the Gulf of Mexico is a nonstarter. Gulf production provides us with 30 percent of the oil we produce domestically. Take it away without cutting consumption and you get only one thing: increased dependency on foreign oil, much of it controlled by countries that don't like us.

The Gulf spill has turned into a vexation for the Obama administration, framed curtly by the president's frustration-filled plea to White House aides to “plug the damn hole.”

We share Obama's pain. But that plug may not come for a while yet. Let's make the best use of the interim, Mr. President: Put it to use marshaling public opinion in the cause of cutting the nation's demand.

Here's another number that might help: 700 billion barrels of oil equivalent. That's a rough estimate of how much natural gas this country has, mostly trapped in shale formations from Texas to Colorado and in the West Virginia-Pennsylvania-New York region. It's accessible without drilling through deep waters and the product is twice as clean as coal.

Maybe now is the time, Mr. President, to have a look at the energy independence plan put forward by the wildcatter T. Boone Pickens — especially his proposal to convert our nation's fleet of 8 million 18-wheeler trucks from imported diesel to domestically produced natural gas.

That would take time, and it wouldn't be cheap. A new infrastructure would have to be put in place. But it would make better use of a fuel that this country has in abundance, and which is more accessible than deepwater oil.

Focusing on future options (including nuclear power) beats the alternative of simply wringing your hands and wagging fingers at the oil companies, Mr. President. There'll be time enough for blaming after the Deepwater Horizon well is plugged and the Gulf's cleanup is under way.

Now is the time to point the way forward with cleaner alternatives that help build that bridge to a sustainable energy future we all want.

We believe the American people are primed for a mission that makes us more secure and creates good jobs while cleaning up the environment. It's your moment to lead, Mr. President. Take full advantage of it.

PRINT COVERAGE

Why is Tony Hayward still on the job? – *The Washington Post* – 6/4/10

By Eugene Robinson

How is it possible that BP chief executive Tony Hayward hasn't been fired? At this point, how can anyone believe a word the man says? If he told me my mother loves me, I'd want a second source.

Hayward has apologized for his one lapse of candor -- the now-famous whine last Sunday that "I'd like my life back." It must be a nice life indeed: According to Forbes, Hayward's total compensation from BP in 2009 was about \$4.6 million. The Louisiana fishermen who've been put out of work by the oil spill are accustomed to getting by on considerably less. In a Facebook posting, Hayward said that his callous words "don't represent how I feel about this tragedy, and certainly don't represent the hearts of the people of BP."

Within hours, though, Hayward's foot was firmly lodged in his mouth yet again. The effort to contain the oil and keep it away from the Gulf Coast has been "very successful," he told the Financial Times. "Considering how big this has been, very little has got away from us." This sunny assessment came as television networks broadcast images of oil-soaked Louisiana marshes, where hazmat-suited workers -- who said they were under orders from BP not to talk to the media, on pain of getting fired -- were trying to sop up the mess with what looked like rags, as if this were a gargantuan kitchen mishap. Meanwhile, mousse-like clumps of "weathered" oil were being washed onto beaches in Alabama, and authorities in Florida were watching the approach of a menacing, oily sheen. Scientists have not even begun to assess the potential long-term effects of the oil spill on human health, marine life and coastal ecology. Carol Browner, the president's chief adviser on energy and the environment, said that the Deepwater Horizon incident is already the worst environmental disaster in United States history.

Give yourself another pat on the back, Tony.

Adm. Thad Allen, who is directing the response effort, is a nice guy -- in terms of his public handling of BP, too nice. On Thursday, as BP proceeded with its latest attempt to cap the flow, Allen praised the company for providing several different camera views of the action on the sea floor. But for weeks, BP refused to make public any television images of the oil leak, and relented only under pressure from U.S. officials.

Hayward's statements about the effort to plug the well have been consistently unreliable, and it hardly matters whether he's being deliberately misleading or just overly optimistic. The giant containment dome was going to work; it didn't. The second, much smaller containment dome would do the job; it was never even deployed. The "top kill" procedure was surely going to stop the flow, and early indications, according to Hayward, showed that it was succeeding. Yet oil industry veterans such as T. Boone Pickens said the top kill was a long shot at best, and they were right.

And as for those giant underwater oil plumes that scientists and journalists keep discovering? Hayward denies they exist. His position is that of a philanderer caught in the act by an irate spouse: "Who are you going to believe, me or your lying eyes?" Since the explosion and fire on the Deepwater Horizon rig six weeks ago, BP's stock has lost more than a third of its value. Two ratings firms, Fitch and Moody's, have downgraded the company's long-term debt, and estimates of what it will cost BP to stop the leak and clean up its mess range from \$3 billion to \$30 billion. All this happened on Hayward's watch.

Somebody, please, give the man his life back.

But once that's done, let's turn our ire on the real villains. This exercise will require a mirror.

An accident such as the Deepwater Horizon blowout was bound to happen sooner or later. There are nearly 4,000 oil rigs off the Gulf Coast, and those pumping most of the crude are in deep waters -- where, as we now know, state-of-the-art safety procedures are inadequate. President Obama's moratorium on deep-water drilling will last only long enough for some sort of technological band-aid to be devised. Then we'll crank up the drills once again.

We know that our dependence on oil is ultimately ruinous, yet we refuse to take measures -- a meaningful carbon tax, for example -- to ease it. Long after Tony Hayward answers for his sins, we'll be paying for our own.

BLOG/ONLINE COVERAGE

Wonkbook: Reid Wants Energy Legislation By July; BP Caps Well (Again); Kagan the Boss – *The Washington Post (Blog)* – 6/4/10

By Ezra Klein

Democrats are trying to take control of public anger over the BP spill, and that means moving the debate to energy legislation. Harry Reid is now urging chairmen to pass a comprehensive bill out of committee by July, and to include a strong section regulating offshore drilling and associated liabilities. Blast from the past: Remember when the compromise to get cap-and-trade passed was going to be more offshore drilling?

Meanwhile, BP has placed a containment dome over the well (file that one under hope springs eternal), the Department of Labor will release the May employment numbers, Neera Tanden remembers what it was like to work for Elena Kagan, and did you know you can get college credit for working at Wal-Mart?

Reid wants the Senate to look at a cap and trade bill by July, reports Alexander Bolton: "Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) alerted Senate committee chairmen Thursday that he plans to move comprehensive energy legislation in July. Reid asked the chairmen to recommend legislation to deal with the Gulf oil spill before July 4 so that leaders can include those ideas in the comprehensive energy package. 'I think it is extremely important that you each examine what could be included in a comprehensive energy bill that would address the unfolding disaster in the Gulf of Mexico,' Reid wrote in the letter."

BP has placed a containment dome on the leaking oil well, reports Joel Achenbach: "The well has been capped, more or less. BP engineers Thursday night guided a containment dome onto the hydrocarbon geyser shooting from the Gulf of Mexico oil well -- a desperate and iffy attempt to capture the leaking oil and funnel it to a ship on the surface. It was not an elegant operation. Furious clouds of oil escaped the 'top hat.' Late in the evening, officials with BP and the federal government had not yet announced whether the dome would be any more successful than other efforts in recent weeks."

Elena Kagan was my boss, writes Neera Tanden. "Back in the Clinton White House, I was a middling staffer on the Domestic Policy Council, working on issues ranging from the adoption tax credit to media violence and its effect on children. One of my bosses, as it happens, was Elena Kagan. And I had pretty good vantage for watching her as she crafted policy that could survive those political times."

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Energy

BP tried to silence journalists covering the spill, reports Dan Mak: "Last week a Mother Jones reporter was told she couldn't see Elmer's Island without being accompanied by a BP representative, because it's 'BP's oil.' Two weeks ago Coast Guard officials cited "BP's rules" when demanding that a CBS News crew leave a beach area. (Representatives from CNN, ABC and local CBS affiliate WWL-TV in New Orleans said last week that their journalists had not encountered significant obstacles while covering the oil story.)"

The EPA has tightened sulfur dioxide regulations, reports John Broder: "The Environmental Protection Agency issued a new health standard on Thursday for sulfur dioxide emissions, the first such revision in nearly 40 years. The agency said the new standard, adopted under the Clean Air Act, would prevent 2,300 to 5,900 premature deaths and 54,000 asthma attacks a year. The agency estimates the cost to industry of adopting the new rule at \$1.5 billion over the next 10 years, and the value of the health benefits at \$13 billion to \$33 billion a year."

House natural resources chair Nick Rahall wants BP to pay royalties to the federal government, reports Jake Sherman: "West Virginia Democrat Nick Rahall, in a letter to Holder this week, asked that the Justice department take 'legal action to recover damages owed to the United States for lost royalties.' The issue of royalties has largely been left aside in the flurry of congressional action since the spill. When a company drills in U.S. waters, it signs a lease with the government and pays royalties for the oil it draws from the ground. Rahall says that the government's lease with BP stipulates an 18.75% royalty."

The Interior Department hasn't banned drilling in shallow waters in the Gulf of Mexico, reports Steven Mufson: "The Interior Department denied Thursday that it has extended a drilling freeze to shallow waters of the Gulf of Mexico, contradicting an e-mail written earlier in the day by the Minerals Management Service's supervisor of field operations for the Gulf of Mexico. The confusion started when MMS rescinded five shallow water permits, including two issued only the day before. Michael J. Saucier, regional supervisor of field operations for the MMS Gulf of Mexico region, sent identical emails to at least two companies whose drilling permits were rescinded, saying that 'until further notice we have been informed not to approve or allow any drilling not [sic] matter the water depth.'"

BP exec Tony Hayward lists lessons learned from the oil spill: "First, we need better safety technology. We in the industry have long had great confidence in the blow-out preventer as the ultimate failsafe piece of safety equipment. Yet on this occasion it failed, with disastrous consequences.... Second, we need to be better prepared for a subsea disaster. It is clear that our industry should be better prepared to address deep sea accidents of this type and magnitude.... Third, the industry should carefully evaluate its business model. For decades, exploration and production companies have relied on outsourcing work to specialized contractors."

Eugene Robinson explains why Tony Hayward should be fired: "Hayward's statements about the effort to plug the well have been consistently unreliable, and it hardly matters whether he's being deliberately misleading or just overly optimistic. The giant containment dome was going to work; it didn't. The second, much smaller containment dome would do the job; it was never even deployed. The 'top kill' procedure was surely going to stop the flow, and early indications, according to Hayward, showed that it was succeeding. Yet oil industry veterans such as T. Boone Pickens said the top kill was a long shot at best, and they were right."

Mashup interlude: Daft Punk vs. Fleetwood Mac.

Economy

The G-20 is warning of a fragile recovery, reports Dow Jones: "The Group of 20 industrial and developing powers warned of risks to the global economic recovery while urging quick efforts to cut budget deficits, in a draft statement seen by Dow Jones Newswires Thursday."

New hiring hasn't driven down joblessness, reports Motoko Rich: "Heidi Shierholz, an economist at the Economic Policy Institute in Washington, estimates about 2.4 million 'missing workers' either left the labor force or did not enter it in the last 28 months. That is on top of the 15.3 million people who are officially counted as unemployed. Although economists expect the jobs report scheduled for release on Friday to show that employers added perhaps half a million jobs in May, that kind of growth would have to be sustained for some time to absorb the backlog."

Ben Bernanke is urging new lending to small businesses, reports Nick Bunkley: "Ben S. Bernanke, the Federal Reserve chairman, said Thursday that banks needed to increase lending to small businesses to reduce unemployment and help the economic recovery. Outstanding loans to small businesses declined to \$660 billion in the first quarter of 2010, from almost \$700 billion two years ago, Mr. Bernanke said, adding that it was difficult to tell whether the decrease was a result of reduced demand or tightened credit standards. In any case, he said, increasing the flow of capital to small companies was crucial to the recovery."

There won't be a double-dip recession, writes Daniel Gross. "The concern about a double dip is largely a function of what I'd call residual bearishness. Stung by excessive optimism in 2007, the econo-pundit community remains in a reflexive, dour crouch. Since this recovery began in the spring of 2009, it has been widely disbelieved and dismissed. Fretting about the double dip is as much about where we've been as where we are."

Wal-Mart will offer college credit to workers, reports Ylan Mui: "Under a program announced Thursday, employees of Wal-Mart and Sam's Club will be able to receive college credit for performing their jobs, including such tasks as loading trucks and ringing up purchases. Workers could earn as much as 45 percent of the credits needed for an associate or bachelor's degree while on the job. The credits are earned through the Internet-based American Public University, with headquarters in Charles Town, W. Va., and administrative offices in Manassas."

May retail numbers show weakness, reports Anne D'Innocenzio: "Retailers' May sales reports, released Thursday, underscore how fragile the consumer spending recovery remains. The International Council of Shopping Center index for revenue at stores open at least a year rose 2.6 percent in May, in line with a reduced growth forecast that ranged anywhere from 2 percent to 2.5 percent. Michael P. Niemira, ICSC's chief economist, had originally expected a 3.5 percent gain. May's results follow a 0.8 percent gain in April, and a 9.0 percent increase in March."

Private firms added 55,000 jobs in May, report Sarah Lynch and Kathleen Madigan: "Private-sector jobs in the U.S. increased by 55,000 last month, according to a national employment report published by payroll giant Automatic Data Processing Inc. and consultancy Macroeconomic Advisers. Separately, the number of U.S. workers filing new claims for unemployment benefits fell last week by more than expected, but the latest figures show the job market still remains weak. Economists had expected ADP to report a job gain of 75,000 in May. The estimated change in employment for April was revised from an increase of 32,000 to an increase of 65,000."

Long-term investments deserve lower tax rates, writes Scott Davis: "As the president and Congress consider the appropriate capital gains tax rate in connection with tax reform or efforts to reduce the deficit, they have a golden opportunity to assist small businesses and keep America competitive in global markets. How? By applying truly long-term holding periods to the application of capital gains taxes, allowing those who maintain their investments for five years or more to avoid the highest rate. Under this approach, any individual willing to make long-term investments in public or private businesses for five or 10 years (rather than the current one year) would not face the top capital gains rate when they retired, sold their company or sold their investment."

Long-form interlude: Jeff Madrick reviews "The Big Short".

Domestic Policy

Obama will start promoting health-care reform's Medicare rebate next week, reports Sheryl Gay Stolberg: "With the first batch of checks scheduled to be sent next week, the White House announced Thursday that Mr. Obama will travel to a senior citizens center in the Washington suburb of Wheaton, Md., to take questions about the health bill. An estimated 80,000 checks are scheduled to be sent in June, with others to follow on a rolling basis, to Medicare beneficiaries

who enter the so-called 'doughnut hole' – a gap in prescription drug coverage that requires them to pay out of pocket."

Kathleen Sebelius is defending Medicare nominee Donald Berwick, reports Janet Adamy: "Health secretary Kathleen Sebelius Thursday rejected criticism of the Obama administration's nominee to run Medicare and Medicaid, saying Republicans were being unfair to Donald Berwick and she was confident he would be confirmed. Dr. Berwick, a Harvard pediatrician and health-quality advocate, has come under sharp attack from Republicans over his ties to Britain's national health system and past writings about how to make health care more efficient."

Health care regulators are working overtime, reports N.C. Aizenman: "Most Mondays and Thursdays, Nancy-Ann DeParle, director of the White House Office of Health Reform, meets with several dozen top officials to weigh in on the myriad sensitive decisions required to translate the law's mandates into fine print covering one-sixth of the economy. According to administration sources, key participants include Jeanne Lambrew, director of the Office of Health Reform at HHS, and Mark Childress, the agency's acting general counsel. Also present are officials from Treasury and Labor, where Borzi oversees implementation as head of the Employee Benefits Security Administration."

Memos from her Supreme Court clerkship show Elena Kagan's early views, reports Charlie Savage: "A three-page memorandum from September 1987, for example, discussed a case in which welfare authorities had failed to protect a child from violent parental abuse. It raised the question of whether the government had an unwritten constitutional duty to help such children. Ms. Kagan expressed 'worry' that a majority on the court would use the case to reject a broad view of substantive due process under which the doctrine can not only be used to restrict official actions, but also to require the government to affirmatively do things."

Elena Kagan's major White House battle involved tobacco legislation, reports Alec MacGillis: "In Kagan's trajectory through the legal and political establishment to become President Obama's Supreme Court nominee, the tobacco battle of the 1990s proved formative for someone who had little exposure to the messy realities of policymaking. In forging a deal that could satisfy Congress, public health advocates, states and tobacco companies, Kagan was for the first time in a high-profile role where she would hone the characteristics she has become known for: finding compromise in pursuit of a daunting goal and using her command of complex issues to win over powerful people with outsize egos."

Obama met with Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer about immigration, reports Louise Radnofsky: "Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer said the president told her he planned to send federal officials to her state this month to engage in 'direct dialogue' on Arizona's controversial new immigration law....According to a White House statement on the meeting, the president 'reiterated his concern' about the law, and listened to Ms. Brewer's concerns. He told her that his administration had reduced border crime and illegal immigration, according to the statement, which didn't mention the plan to send officials to Arizona."

Senate candidate Kendrick Meek explains why he supports filibuster reform: "The filibuster should be used as a last resort to protect the interests of the American people against the tyranny of the majority; it shouldn't be used as a way to obstruct the will of the people. If Republicans are going to exploit the current rules to do that, then it's time to change the rules on behalf of the American people....There are a lot of proposals out there for reform of the filibuster and in January 2011, the new Senate should take the best parts of those proposals and institute changes that will improve the Senate and make its actions more reflective of the will of the people."

David Brooks praises Obama's education policy: "Reformers in at least 23 states have passed reform laws in hopes of getting some of the dough. Some of the state laws represent incremental progress and some represent substantial change. The administration has hung tough, demanding real reform in exchange for dollars. Over all, there's been a tremendous amount of movement in a brief time. This is not heavy-handed Washington command-and-control. This is Washington energizing diverse communities of reformers, locality by locality, and giving them more leverage in their struggles against the defenders of the status quo."

Electronica interlude: Boards of Canada's "Roygbiv".

FinReg

Fed Governor Dan Turello is establishing himself as a major power, reports Sewell Chan: "Mr. Tarullo, who blends an expertise in economic regulation with a passion for Faulkner and Eliot, took office eight days after Mr. Obama did, as the economy was reeling from the aftershocks of the crisis. He quickly won the confidence of Mr. Bernanke. He helped oversee stress tests of the 19 largest bank holding companies, which helped them to raise capital and regain investor confidence. And then he set out to tighten the way the Fed's 2,800 bank regulators and supervisors around the country oversee 5,800 financial institutions, large and small."

Tim Geithner is calling for quick global agreement around banking regulations, reports Howard Schneider: "World leaders need to press more quickly for an overhaul of global banking regulations to help shore up the economic recovery and clarify the 'rules of the game' going forward, Treasury Secretary Timothy F. Geithner said in advance of meetings this weekend among key finance ministers and central bankers. 'We want to accelerate progress on reaching and putting in place global agreement on the core reforms,' Geithner said as he prepared for talks in South Korea with his counterparts from the Group of 20. 'We all have an interest in bringing clarity to what the rules of the game are going to be.'"

South Korea is seeking support for a bank tax at the G-20 conference, reports Evan Ramstad: "South Korea will use this weekend's meeting of Group of 20 finance ministers to enlist support for an international levy on bank transactions, an idea Korean officials like because they think it can limit volatile currency flows that beat up smaller economies like their own. Since late last year, leaders in the U.S. and Europe have batted around global bank-tax ideas, chiefly with an eye on raising revenue and penalizing excess profits, particularly on the institutions that got government help in the 2008 financial crisis."

Wall Street has hired over 1,400 lobbyists on FinReg, reports Dan Eggen: "More than 1,400 former members of Congress, Capitol Hill staffers or federal employees registered as lobbyists on behalf of the financial services sector since the start of 2009, according to an exhaustive new study issued Thursday. The analysis by two nonpartisan groups, Public Citizen and the Center for Responsive Politics, found that the 'small army' of financial lobbyists included at least 73 former lawmakers and 148 ex-staffers connected to the House or Senate banking committees. More than 40 former Treasury Department employees also ply their trade as lobbyists for Wall Street firms, the study found."

AIG has failed to sell its Asian division to Prudential, reports Howard Schneider: "Treasury Secretary Timothy F. Geithner said the collapse of a deal to sell American International Group's Asia life insurance division won't undercut chances for taxpayers to be repaid the \$180 billion set aside to bail out the insurance conglomerate. The planned \$35 billion sale of AIG's American International Assurance subsidiary to Prudential had been heralded as a boon to the federal government and a sign that AIG might repay the proceeds of the 2008 federal rescue."

The latest economic data led Wall Street to falter yesterday, report Jack Healy and David Jolly: "Wall Street stocks were narrowly mixed Thursday as investors' hopes for a turnaround in the job market were tempered by a report on factory orders that fell short of expectations. After

starting the session solidly higher, echoing an upturn in Asian and European markets, stocks lost some of their momentum after the Commerce Department reported that factory orders rose 1.2 percent in April, the eighth consecutive month of gains, but one that fell short of economists' predictions of a 1.8 percent rise."

The specifics of a bank liabilities tax need to be worked out, writes Howard Gleckman: "The original Obama bill would have raised about \$90 billion over 10 years to repay the cost of the recent bailouts. Once enough was collected to do the job, the tax would expire. The Senate version was intended to finance a new bank bailout fund. But a tax whose major purpose is to finance a designated program has a big problem. If the levy also is enacted in part to discourage banks from taking inappropriate risk, wouldn't they resume their bad behavior after the tax ended? This design raises other questions as well. Should the tax be levied on only uninsured funds or on all deposits?"

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Pickens Sees Energy Shift Ahead (WFT, SLB, SD, MMR, HES, CLNE, BP) – *TickerSpy.com*
– 6/3/10

By Owen Vater

Billionaire investment manager and natural gas proponent T. Boone Pickens told a crowd at Oklahoma State University that he expects the Obama administration to make good on its pledge to help wean the U.S. from foreign oil. "We're going to have an energy bill this year," Pickens claimed, according to coverage by The Tulsa World. He also continued to tout natural gas as the only viable homegrown diesel alternative, noting, "Cleaner and cheaper replaces dirtier and foreign." According to the report, natural gas is currently priced at just over \$4 per thousand cubic feet, which can power a truck as far as 7 gallons of diesel.

A look at Pickens' top U.S.-listed equity positions from the end of Q1 his BP Capital Management hedge fund is chock full of energy names. Driller Weatherford International (WFT), oil and gas services giant Schlumberger (SLB), independent natural gas and oil firm

SandRidge Energy (SD), exploration player McMoRan Exploration (MMR), and diversified giant Hess (HES) were all among the fund's top holdings.

Pickens is also the founder of Clean Energy Fuels (CLNE), which could benefit substantially if the government made a bigger push for natural-gas powered vehicles. Back in April Barron's offered some bearish sentiment for the stock.

The April BP (BP) rig explosion has been the subject of much debate recently, and Obama has used the public outcry as an opportunity to address the importance of alternative fuel sources. In a speech yesterday, the President said fully embracing a clean energy future would mean "tapping into our natural gas reserves, and moving ahead with our plans to expand the nation's fleet of nuclear power plants." It will be interesting to see whether Pickens is on target with his energy policy forecast.

Investors can see where they stack up against Pickens, or view some other stocks his hedge fund has invested in and a chart of their combined performance at tickerspy.com.

BROADCAST COVERAGE

1. InBusiness

Bloomberg, National | DMA: 0

06/03/2010, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[EC] 00:13:59 ... It is hard to find someone to get --Making strong case for what the alternative is. I hear that Canada is the biggest supplier of **oil** to the U.S. , And they will see a big support of our tar sands. Companies like Total will have more opportunities for offshore drilling with the moratorium in the U.S. 95% of transportation is **oil**. As long as we stay there, whether we are getting it from Canada or Brazil, as long as we stay on **oil** we are in very deep trouble . We have to move to destroy **oil**'s monopoly over transportation. I do not think there is any alternative to that. The way you can do that is to make internal combustion engines a lot more efficient. There is great technology. **BoonePickens**'s idea about **naturalgas** is good. Plug in hybrids are good. Dropping in **fuels**' like bio... -- I'm sorry. We have to leave it there. 00:18:59

Keywords:TZ; Cleaner **Energy:** Gulf **oil** disaster; OPEC; Middle East; War on Terror; nuclear **energy**; Venture Capital; Cap and Trade; CO2; electricity; refrigerators; salt; monopoly; Canada; Totale; Petrobras; drilling moratorium; Brazil; **BoonePickens**; **naturalgas**; plug in hybrids;

Visuals:wind farms; solar panels; US **energy** use by source in 2008, source: **Energy** Department;

Speakers:James Woolsey, fmr. CIA Director;

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

2. Closing Bell

CNBC, National | DMA: 0

06/03/2010, 03:00 PM - 04:00 PM

[EC] 00:22:25 ...I think they are doing everything they can. I think that Tony has been straight forward with what the obligations are, and I am sure they will follow through with that. And as far as alternatives to **oil**, this opens up so many debates in terms of where the alternatives are. Much of the electricity is being **fueled** by coal, is that right? Yes, indeed. So how important is

coal, and is there becoming a more reliance on the coal, and what about **naturalgas**? Do you plan on reducing that position in terms of the majority being **fueled** by coal? I would think that under --Going back to the legislation, under the Kerry/Lieberman Bill or anything coming out of the Congress, we will all ultimately move toward cleaner coal as well as **naturalgas**. Most Americans don't appreciate that there is almost no **oil** left in the manufacturing business. There used to be plants up here in the far northeast, and some electric-coal fired plants, probably is less than 1% of the electricity is made with that **fuel**. And so you see companies like ours and today, BMW with the calculations on the mileage of the electric vehicles, and Nissan will bring out the Leaf, and the GM is bringing out the Volt, and we are all incredibly prepared for electric vehicles, and I'm a big supporter of the **BoonePickens'** plan. When you go to Europe, you see almost every delivery vehicle is natural **gas**-fired and here in America, it is much more. That is silly. Shale **gas**? Yes, it takes us to a 100-year reserve of life, and America needs to take advantage of it. There are environmental issues of how you bring the shale **gas** to the market, and folks are worried about that and rightfully so. It will be addressed. Things like event, BPP in the Gulf raises everyone's awareness of the obligations to the environment. And to your point the men and women who work at the American power are very concerned about the environment in which they live.... 00:29:50

Keywords: TZ; American Electric Power: Climate change; Gulf of Mexico; Kerry-Lieberman bill; Waxman-Markey bill; China; Global warming; Tony Hayward; BP; Coal; BMW; Nissan Leaf; GM's Volt; **Pickens** Plan; **T. BoonePickens**; **Naturalgas** supply;

Visuals: Facts and figures about AEP; Map of states powered by AEP; AEP charts;

Speakers: Mike Morris, American Electric Power Chairman, President and CEO; Joe Moglia, Chairman of TD Ameritrade and Guest Host

Audience: 355,033 **Spot Cost:** \$2,925

3. Anderson Cooper 360

CNN, National | DMA: 0

06/03/2010, 11:00 PM - 12:00 AM

[CC] 00:13:47 (guest is Doug Brinkley)....They seem to think they're operating 5,000 feet below water but we're not watching. The whole world is watching this operation right now. It's the most watched video. Every day people are tuning into it. BP, as you said, needs to start focusing. That's where they start rebuilding their image. They can explain their engineering, explain their techniques. **BoonePickens** said it at the outset, probably the solution for this will come three, four, five months out with the relief wells. At that point, the catastrophe will just be beyond imaginable. We're going to continue to talk about this. Want to talk to Sanjay about the

dispersants and what we know about the effects, if we know much, about the dispersants....00:14:46

Audience: 524,640 **Spot Cost:** \$5,711

4. News On The Hour

USA Radio Network, National | DMA: 0

06/01/2010, 11:00 AM - 11:05 AM

00:45:29 ...but I think that there were some mistakes made coming into this that were man made errors but I think the real crux of the matter is this is a deep water well that is one mile below the water surface ... and we just don't have the robotics to do that stuff that they're trying to do ... I was watching our good friend **TBoonePickens** on Larry King and he was not that hopeful that this thing was going to be fixed anytime soon .He said it was very tough disater... I have a little **TBoonePickens** liner here "You are listening to Steve Cowley's American Scene".....I like the guy. He's a character ...drill drill drill , which he doesn't dare say that anymore ... 00:48:18

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

5. Monsters And Money In The Morning

WBBM-TV (CBS) CH 2, Chicago | DMA: 3

06/03/2010, 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM

[EC] 00:15:07 We did a quick discussion here about stopping drilling in the Gulf. There are 48,000 wells out there in the Gulf . That is astounding and they provide a 30 percent of our transportation fuel. We got have to have a solution --maybe natural gas , **Boone Pickens** has been about that but we cannot just say oops and then shut down everything. The economic consequences could be horrific. 00:16:22

Keywords:TZ; Economics: Stock Futures; Economics Reports; Dow Jones; Housing; Tax Credit; President Barack Obama; Domestic **Energy** Sources; NASDAQ; Asia; Europe; Unemployment Report; Offshore **Oil** Drilling; **Transportation Fuel**; **T. BoonePickens**;

Visuals:Dow Up;

Audience: 31,276 **Spot Cost:** \$232

6. 11 AM Live This Morning

News Channel 8, Washington, DC | DMA: 9

06/03/2010, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[CC] 00:03:42 Billionaire **oilman T. Boone Pickens** is speaking out about the massive Gulf **oil** spill. He says the government should stay out of the disaster and let B-P fix it. **T . Boone Pickens/oil** billionaire: don't try to pin the blame. Get the problem fixed. Leave them alone, don't bother them. They are the best people to fix the problem. **Pickens** admits it could take months before the flow of **oil** is stopped. **Picks** also said he felt B-P should try again to plug the leak with mud, noting that they ran out of mud in the first attempt.00:04:29

Audience: 1,361 **Spot Cost:** \$21

7. 9:30 AM Live This Morning

News Channel 8, Washington, DC | DMA: 9

06/03/2010, 09:30 AM - 10:00 AM

[CC] 00:04:20 Billionaire **oilman T. Boone Pickens** is speaking ouabout the massive Gulf **oil** spill. He says the government should stay out of the disaster and let B-P fix it. **T . Boone Pickens/oil** billionaire: don't try to pin the blame. Get the problem fixed. Leave them alone, don't bother them. They are the best people to fix the problem. **Pickens** admits it could take months before the flow of **oil** is stopped. **Pickens** also said he felt B-P should try again to plug the leak with mud, notg that they ran out of mud in the first attempt.00:05:09

Audience: 3,760 **Spot Cost:** \$35

8. 39 News At 5

KIAH-TV (CW) CH 39, Houston | DMA: 10

06/03/2010, 05:00 PM - 05:30 PM

[CC] 00:10:27 A bp's top executive says the company should know in the next 12 to 24 hours weather the latest efforts will contain that Gulf oil spill. The company ceo Tony Heyward admits it is a risky procedure, though part of the risk is reduced, now that a major pipe was cut. He was in Houston today. He says BP will be on the Gulf coast for a long time cleaning up the spill and

will continue to do so until everybody drop of oil is recovered. We will be on the Gulf coast to restore the environment, clean up the oil. We will meet our obligations with respect to restoring confidence and trust from the American people. The government officials warn cutting the pipe could temporarily increase the flow of oil by 20%. The Coast Guard says the cut was irregular, so placing a cap over it will now be more challenging. Don't try to pin the blame with politics. That was **TBoonePickens** speaking out about the massive spill. And he is in BP's court. He said the feds should stay out of the disaster and allow BP to fix it. However, he says it could take months before the flow of oil is stopped.00:11:47

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

9. Ralph Bristol

WWTN-FM (IND) Freq. 99.7, Nashville | DMA: 29

06/02/2010, 05:00 AM - 06:00 AM

00:39:14 ... we've spoken in the recent past about reducing our dependence on imported **oil** ... does a disaster like this make alternative **energy** technologies more attractive to you ... or as a practical matter is our **national** demand for **oil** simply too great not to drill baby drill ... if you're an advocate of nuclear power , do you feel we should have more of a **national** commitment to nukes ... or other alternative technologies of solar **wind** hydrogen. Should we seize the moment and invest heavily in alternatives like China is doing ... What willthe consequences be for America's **energy** policy especially in a worst case scenario in the Gulf of Mexico..... when we were debating proposals for more drilling in Alaska the point was made that the big **oil** companies have safeguards in place to minimize environmental damage ... now along comes an unforeseen disaster in the Gulf of Mexico. This likely to scuttle plans for further offshore drilling into the foreseeable future ... Should we go back take another longer looking **TBoonePickens** plan to turn **natural** turn to **naturalgas** instead of **oil** for our cars ... and more **wind** and solar to **fuel** the electric grid ... and that way we can reduce our dependence on imported **oil** ... 00:42:02

Audience: 5,800 **Spot Cost:** \$41

10. CTN Schedule

CT-N, Hartford/New Haven | DMA: 30

06/03/2010, 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM

[CC] 00:37:37 And so, is my sincere hope, that the state of Connecticut and the general assembly and the governor engaged in this because, another winter will be approaching as we go through what we hope will be a mild summer in terms of the use of **energy**, but, as noted, **energy** costs

are high here in the state of Connecticut's, but we have an opportunity in the state to embrace industries fear that in the long term will lower that cost, but the industry that we're involved it is all high- and manufacturing which is stimulate job creation and get a high-paying kind of drops below key people here in the state of Connecticut, and accustomed to a great quality of life that exists here, but also will provide other jobs for the future, and I happen to be very bullish about **fuel** cell technology, but what is solar, **wind**, geothermal, and photovoltaic, whenever the opportunity that presents itself, I believe, like **T. BoonePickens**, we ought to embrace everything we can, and there is great news on the horizon. With the discovery of more than 200 years of **naturalgas** reserves that record below to go after. Certainly, we want to assure emil everything is going on in the Gulf, that we go off to the correctly, as safely, but the technology exists, what is required here in this country is the well. More often than that, in Washington, you know, we swirl in these debates over what I call a light beard...00:40:52

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

11. Fox23 News This Morning

KOKI-TV (FOX) CH 23, Tulsa | DMA: 61

06/03/2010, 07:00 AM - 08:00 AM

[CC] 00:09:28 "Less government pressure --not more ---Is the best solution to finally figuring out how to stop **oil** from gushing into the Gulf that's the message, given by **oilman** ---T.-**BoonePickens**. He made the statement, during a campaign benefit for State Representative John Sullivan at O-S-U Tulsa. **Pickens**says while BP is ultimately responsible for the spill --It needs to be given the space to figure out how to stop the leak. BP is the operator so what ever happened they're going to have to assume responsibility for it. Leave them alone right now, concentrate on getting it fixed." if it were up **Pickens** ,h e would continue the top kill method and plug the hole with more mud00:11:43

Audience: 17,696 **Spot Cost:** \$68

12. Fox23 News Daybreak

KOKI-TV (FOX) CH 23, Tulsa | DMA: 61

06/03/2010, 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM

[CC] 00:11:56 "Less government pressure --not more ---Is the best solution to finally figuring out how to stop **oil** from gushing into the Gulf that's the message, given by **oilman** ---T.-**BoonePickens**. He made the statement, during a campaign benefit for State Representative John Sullivan at O-S-U Tulsa. **Pickens**says while BP is ultimately responsible for the spill --It needs

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Audience: 15,056 **Spot Cost:** \$57

13. The News On 6 At Noon

KOTV-TV (CBS) CH 6, Tulsa | DMA: 61

06/03/2010, 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

[CC] 00:05:00 Oklahoma's own billionaire **oil** baron weighed in on the Gulf disaster. **TBoonePickens** spoke to dozens about the nation's **energy** policy and independence from foreign **oil**. He defended British Petroleum, which has been villified for its role in the disaster. **TBoonePickens:** "leave the BP people alone. Don't try to pin the blame. Get the problem fixed. Leave em alone. Don't bother em. They are the best people to fix the problem." **Pickens** says B-P should be held responsible, but right now they need to concentrate on plugging the hole.00:06:32

Audience: 35,474 **Spot Cost:** \$125

14. Good Morning Oklahoma

KTUL-TV (ABC) CH 8, Tulsa | DMA: 61

06/03/2010, 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM

[CC] 00:29:06 We'll hear from **t-BoonePickens** on the disaster in the Gulf. What the **oilman** has to say about his conversation with B-P Officials.00:29:08

[CC] 00:32:05 Oilman **T. BoonePickens** comes to Tulsa to talk about the **oil** spill. Find out why he says B-P Stopped the "top kill" process, before it could work.00:32:18

[CC] 00:36:38 . **Energy** billionaire **T. BoonePickens** is speaking out about B-P's efforts to stop the massive **oil** leak. **Pickens** was at a fundraiser yesterday at osu-Tulsa and said he spoke with a B-P Official about the "top kill" process. That's where mud was being pumped down against the **oil** flow. It was working, but **Pickens** says B-P stopped the process because they simply ran out of mud. It looked to me like they actually stopped the **oilback** through the blowout preventer. That's what you are asking me? Yes sir. Just looked like if you want to mix up enough mud, just

keep pouring it in there. **Pickens** says he told BP officials his idea, but they didn't think too much of it.00:37:43

Audience: 23,973 **Spot Cost:** \$92

15. Daybreak

KVII-TV (ABC) CH 7, Amarillo | DMA: 131

06/03/2010, 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM

[CC] 00:00:09 **T . BoonePickens** knows how to capture an audience. And today he spoke about how he would stop that **oil** leak a solution he says, could work. **Pickens** was the featured speaker Wednesday at a luncheon OSU's Tulsa campus the **energy** and **oil** tycoon was there to push his agenda for **naturalgas** and **windenergy**. But he ended up answering questions about the crisis in the Gulf. He said leave the BP people alone, and don't try and pin the blame. **Pickens** said the BP are the best people to fix the problem, and the government needs to stay out of it. He said B-P Is working hard and want the well under control more than anybodydes. **Pickens** says abandoning deep-sea **oil** drilling. Would be an over-reaction.00:01:40

Audience: 8,743 **Spot Cost:** \$59

16. KTEN News Midday

KTEN-TV (NBC) CH 10, Sherman/Dennison | DMA: 161

06/03/2010, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[CC] 00:30:30 Plus: **oil** tycoon **t-BoonePickens** offers his opinion on the Gulf **oil** spill, his advice to those concerned with B-P's efforts.00:31:48

[CC] 00:33:41 Billionaire **oil**-man, **T. BoonePickens** is speaking out about the massive Gulf **oil** spill, he says the government should stay out of the disaster and allow B-P to fix it. But he says it could take months before the flow of **oil** is stopped. Leave the BP people alone. Don't try to pen the blame. Get the problem fixed. Leave them alone, don't bother them. They are the best people to fix the problem. **Pickens** also said he felt B-P should try again to plug the leak with mud, noting they ran out of mud in the first attempt.00:35:07

Audience: 4,930 **Spot Cost:** \$46

17. KTEN News Today

KTEN-TV (NBC) CH 10, Sherman/Dennison | DMA: 161

06/03/2010, 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM

[CC] 00:33:27 Billionaire **oil**-man, **T. Boone Pickens** is speaking out about the massive Gulf **oil** spill, he says the government should stay out of the disaster and allow B-P to fix it. But he says it could take months before the flow of **oil** is stopped. Leave the BP people alone. Don't try to pen the blame. Get the problem fixed. Leave them alone, don't bother them. They are the best people to fix the problem. **Pickens** also said he felt B-P should try again to plug the leak with mud, noting they again to plug the leak with mud, noting they ran out mud in the first attempt.00:35:31

Audience: 5,674 Spot Cost: \$48

18. Local News 8 At Noon

KIFI-TV (ABC) CH 8, Idaho Falls | DMA: 162

06/03/2010, 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

[CC] 00:31:22 While the criticism for B-P is **very** loud billionaire **oilman T. Boone Pickens** speaks out in defense of the company. He says government should stay out of the disaster and allow BP to fix it. But he says it could take months before the flow of **oil** is stopped. **T. Boone Pickens** billionaire: "leave the BP people alone. Don't try to pen the blame. Get the problem fixed. Leave them alone, don't bother them. They are the best people to fix the problem." **Pickens** also said he felt BP should try again to plug the leak with mud, noting ran out of mud in the first attempt.00:32:43

Audience: 3,770 Spot Cost: \$47

19. Strictly Legal

Business News Network, National Canada | DMA: 950

06/03/2010, 08:30 PM - 09:00 PM

[CC] 00:09:29 David: I guess history shows it can get down to \$2. 50, At which point a lot of gas wells become uneconomic. Here's the problem with gas. Our understanding of the industry is that at \$5, it becomes profitable for North Africa to ship L.N.G. to North America. In other words there's a cap on gas because there's a lot of supply that can come to the market if the price goes up north of \$5. That is unless a lot of users of oil convert to gas. And you know as **T.**

BoonePickens says if we all were driving natural gas powered cars, not only would the world be cleaner but natural gas would be presumably 10 bucks instead of four-and-a half. Howard: he is a gas man. David: he sure is.00:11:03

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

20. Market Call

Business News Network, National Canada | DMA: 950

06/03/2010, 12:30 PM - 01:30 PM

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