CONSOL ENERGY INC Form 425 February 20, 2008

2008 Morgan Stanley Basic Materials Conference February 20, 2008 New York Filed by CONSOL Energy Inc.

Pursuant

to

Rule

425

under

the

Securities

Act

of

1933

and

deemed

filed

pursuant

to

Rule

14a-12

and

Rule

14d-2(b) of

the

Securities

Exchange

Act

of

1934

Subject

Company:

CNX

Gas

Corporation

Commission

File

No.

001-32723

Cautions

**Cautionary Statements** 

Some statements in this presentation contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may relate to, among other things, future performance generally, business development activities, future capital expenditures,

financing

sources
and
availability
and
the
effects
of
regulation
and
competition.
In addition, this presentation contains certain financial measures, such as EBIT and EBITDA. As
required by Securities and Exchange Commission Regulation G, reconciliations of these
measures to amounts reported in CONSOL Energy s consolidated financial statements are
provided in its quarterly earnings releases.
IMPORTANT
INFORMATION:
In
connection
with
the
proposed
exchange
offer
to
the
stockholders
of
CNX
Gas
Corporation,
CONSOL
Energy
expects
to
file
a
registration
statement
on
Form
S-4
containing
an
exchange
offer
prospectus
and
related
materials

with

the

Securities

and

Exchange

Commission.

**INVESTORS** 

**AND** 

**SECURITY** 

**HOLDERS** 

OF

**CNX** 

**GAS** 

**CORPORATION** 

**ARE** 

**URGED** 

TO

**READ** 

THE

**EXCHANGE** 

**OFFER** 

**PROSPECTUS** 

**AND** 

THE

OTHER

**RELEVANT** 

**MATERIALS** 

**WHEN** 

THEY

**BECOME** 

**AVAILABLE** 

**BECAUSE** 

THEY

WILL

**CONTAIN** 

**IMPORTANT** 

**INFORMATION** 

**ABOUT** 

THE

**OFFER** 

**AND** 

**CONSOL** 

Energy.

Investors

and

security

holders

may

obtain

a

free

copy of the exchange offer prospectus and other relevant materials (when they become available) and other documents filed by **CONSOL** Energy with the commission at the commission's web site, www.sec.gov. Copies of the exchange offer prospectus and other relevant documents (when they become available) may also

be obtained without charge

	E
from	
CONSOL	
Energy.	
Requests	
to	
CONSOL	
Energy	
should	
be	
made	
in	
writing	
to	
Thomas	
F.	
Hoffman,	
Senior	
Vice	
President	
-	
External	
Affairs,	
CONSOL	
Energy	
Inc.,	
1800	
Washington	
Road,	
Pittsburgh,	
PA	
15241,	
or	
by	
email	

tomhoffman@consolenergy.com.

3 CONSOL Energy s Assets Coal Reserves

Large, contiguous blocks owned-in fee

Heat content

Location Transportation

River transportation subsidiary

Dual rail access at several mines

Coal export terminal Gas Company

4 World World United States World Energy Demand Today 453 QBtu

/ Year

81% Fossil Energy

703 QBtu

/ Year

82% Fossil Energy

Energy Demand 2030

124 QBtu/Year

84% Fossil Energy

101 QBtu/Year

85% Fossil Energy

+24%

+55%

Global Long-Term Demand for Energy

Source: DOE NETL

5 Domestic Electricity Generation Forecast AEO 08 (early release) 0 500 1,000 1,500

- 2,000 2,500 3,000 3,500 2004 2006 2008 2010
- 2010 2012 2014
- 2016 2018
- 2020 2022 2024
- 2026 2028 2030
- 55.4% 55.4% Petroleum
- Petroleum
- Coal
- Coal
- Natural gas
- Natural gas
- Renewables
- Renewables
- Nuclear
- Nuclear
- 14.0%
- 17.5%
- 17.5% 11.6%
- 11.6%
- 1.2%
- 1.2% 48.6%
- 48.6%
- Source: DOE NETL

6 Largest Coal Reserve Holder East of MS. River Northern Appalachia

Reserves ~ 2.7 billion tons

Production: 52.9 million tons

#### Central Appalachia

Reserves ~ 800 million tons

Production: 10.7 million tons

Illinois Basin

Reserves ~ 700 million tons

PRB

Reserves ~ 300 million tons

\*

2007

production

includes

1.0

million

tons

from

Emery,

UT.

Reserves

include

31

mmt

assigned

to

UT

and

129

mmt

assigned

to

Western

Canada.

Profile of CONSOL Coal\*

Reserves ~ 4.5 BNt

2007 Production: 64.6 Mt

Avg. Reserve Life: 25+ years

Operating Mine Complexes: 15

7 Coal Reserves Owned-in-fee ~ 77 QBtu Advantages of ownership:

Leverage to higher pricing

Ability

Company (billions of tons) % Owned QBtu Owned CONSOL Energy 4.5 70% 76.9
Peabody (excl. Patriot) 8.8 42% 70.2
Patriot Coal 1.2 55% 16.5
Foundation Coal 1.6 45% 15.1
Massey Energy 2.3 18% 10.4
Arch Coal 2.9 13% 9.0
Alpha Natural Resources 0.5 5%

to forecast and control future costs

no LBA payments Coal Reserves Approx. Approx.

0.6

Source: Company filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. QBtu calculated using an estimated Btu average that is dependent on coal basin ownership mix.

```
8
Heating Value ~ 99% of Production is High-Btu
8,400
13,000
12,500
8,800
11,500
```

0

5,000

10,000

15,000

PRB

PRB

ILB

**CAPP** 

NAPP

Btu s per pound of coal

Approx. 80% of CONSOL s coal production

Approx. 19% of CONSOL s coal production

<sup>\*</sup> Remaining 1% of production includes approximately 1.0 million tons from Emery, UT.

9 Close Proximity to Scrubbed Customers By 2012, ~ 142 gigawatts scrubbed East of MS. River 60 generating units within 50 miles of CONSOL s Pitt8 coal reserves

CONSOL s Assets in Appalachia

Producing Complexes: 14

Reserves: 3.5 billion tons

Scrubber Builds Are Being Completed
Since 2006, CONSOL has signed 6 multi-year, multi-million ton agreements with domestic customers that in aggregate ~ 250 million tons of high-Btu coal 62%
28%
10%

Thru 12/31/08 2009-2010 2011+

Percentage of Gigawatts Scrubbed by Year

11

NAPP Pricing Has Converged with CAPP

Source: EIA

Why the convergence?
1. Sulfur disadvantage

no longer exists
2. Stockpiles low in NAPP
3. Met customers shopping for NAPP coal Source: EIA

```
12
Up Cycle Just Beginning for Steam Coal?
API #2 to ARA
$-
$20
$40
$60
$80
$100
$120
$140
Last up cycle for coal ~ 2 years
Current price ~ $134 for
delivery in first half of 2009
API #2 to ARA ($/metric tonne)
110
$
130
$
150
Implied pricing of 3.4# NAPP ($/short ton)
57
$
72
$
```

87 \$

<sup>\*</sup>assumes vessel rate to ARA of \$35

13 100% Ownership of Coal Export Terminal Largest exporter of coal in the U.S. Served by two rail lines

Norfolk Southern

CSX Transport Capacity

Practical: 12 million tons Export Terminal at the Port of Baltimore Export Terminal at the Port of Baltimore Ground storage

1.2 million tons Coal exports

For 2007, approx. 6.9 mm tons

For 2008, up another ~25% Countries served

Denmark, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Portugal

14
Forecast: Coal Exports Up 20 million tons in 2 years
Coal Exports
69.6
57.6
49.6
0

20,000 40,000 60,000 80,000 100,000 120,000

Sources: EIA, PIRA. Estimates include steam and metallurgical coal.

Unpriced Volumes Ability to Capitalize on Up Cycle 33.4
4.5
53.1
5.1
62.8

5.2 0 20 40 60 2009 2010 2011 Unpriced Steam Coal Unpriced Low-Vol Met Coal 2009 2010 2011 **Production Guidance** 70 74 76.6 80.6 76.7

80.7

(mm of Tons)

16
Appalachian Brownfield Opportunities
Potential to grow Appalachian production through brownfield expansion by ~ 25 million tons
over next 10 years
Longwall Face Extensions
Birch

Shoemaker Additional Longwalls

17

Margin Focused and Production Disciplined

\$2.45

\$6.91

\$10

\$15

\$20

\$25 \$30 \$35 \$40 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 60 64 68 72 76 80 Avg. Production Cost Coal Margin **Coal Production** \$35.61 \$24.66

\$26.76

\$27.61

\$30.06

\$38.99

Avg. Realized Pricing

\$40.66

As of December 31, 2007

18
River Transportation Subsidiary
Assets on the inland waterways of Northern Appalachia
750 Barges
25 Tow Boats
5 Harbor Boats
24+ Million tons per year capability

Alicia Dock

19 Transportation Flexibility at Mines (Millions of tons) 2006 Northern Appalachia Production CSX

NS Barge Rail-to-Barge Enlow Fork 10.7  $\mathbf{X}$  $\mathbf{X}$  $\mathbf{X}$ McElroy 10.5 X Bailey 10.2 X  $\mathbf{X}$ X Loveridge 6.4  $\mathbf{X}$  $\mathbf{X}$ X Robinson Run 5.7  $\mathbf{X}$  $\mathbf{X}$ Blacksville 5.0  $\mathbf{X}$ X X Mine 84 3.5 X X Shoemaker 1.0  $\mathbf{X}$ X Central Appalachia Buchanan (metallurgical) 5.0 X  $\mathbf{X}$ Amvest (~10% metallurgical) 4.9 X X  $\mathbf{X}$ Jones Fork

3.1

X
X
Mill Creek
2.1
X
X
Southern WV Resources
1.2
X
X
Miller Creek
0.9
X
X
Amonate (metallurgical)
0.5
X
X
Western U.S.
Emery
1.1
Railroads
Truck-to-Rail
Coal Delivery Options

20 Unique Investment Proposition Coal Reserves

Large, contiguous blocks owned-in fee

Location

Transportation

River transportation subsidiary

Coal export terminal Gas Company

2008 Morgan Stanley Basic Materials Conference February 20, 2008 New York