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Energy Lending After the Crash

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Even before the March/April price crash the shale revolution was changing the landscape of energy finance

- Transformative technology
- Rapid growth masked poor returns
- From excess capital to de-capitalization
- Valuations declined materially
- Investors unable to exit and lenders losing money

What Happened?

Shale's New Risks

Conventional Drilling

- Diversification
- Sequential drilling
- Lower upfront investment (drilling & completions, working capital)
- Shallow decline curves
- Predictable production
- Multiple production horizons from a single well bore

Shale Revolution

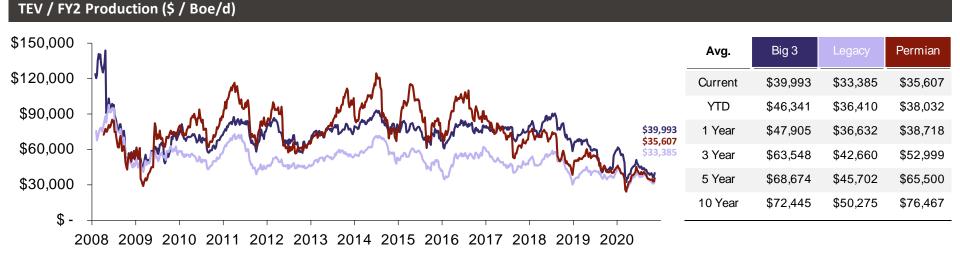
- "Pure play" stories
- Advent of pad drilling
- Higher upfront investment (drilling & completions, working capital)
- Higher initial production("IP") followed by rapid decline
- Unexpected production outcomes
- Single production horizon from a single well bore

Then vs. Now

	Then	Now
Capital	Cheap and plentiful	De-capitalization
Investor Objectives	Growth	Returns/Spend within cash flow
Valuation Driver	Robust growth potential	Sustainable cash flow
Investor Strategy	"Build and flip"	Operating model
Lenders	Active, new participants	Reduced capacity, participants

What this has Meant for Capital Providers

- Evolution of shale risks was insidious in nature
- Investors and lenders worked to keep pace but did not evolve as fast as the technical, operational and financial risks of shale
- Investors and lenders based decisions on overstated potential
- Disappointing performance increased perceived risk of Exploration & Production (E&P)
- Price crash amplified risks and accelerated change



Source: Company filings, FactSet | Market data as of 11/13/20 Note: Big 3 includes COP, EOG, OXY; Legacy includes: APA, DVN, HES, MRO, OVV; Permian includes: CXO, FANG, PE, PXD, XEC, WPX

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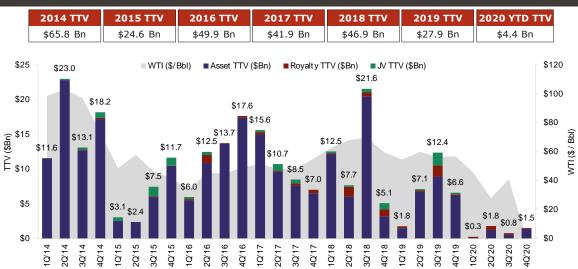
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Acquisitions & Divestitures ("A&D")

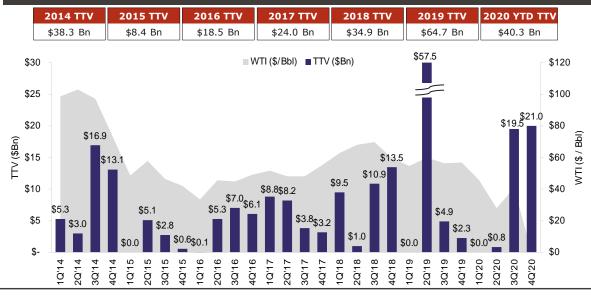
Themes

- Critical to smooth functioning of capital and bank markets
- Use similar Discounted Cash Flow ("DCF") model as the bank borrowing base model
- Historically ascribed value to all reserve categories
- Key changes:
 - Higher discount rates
 - Low/no value ascribed to nonproducing
- Corporate consolidation has accelerated as asset sales declined

A&D Deal Volume Through Time



M&A Deal Volume Through Time



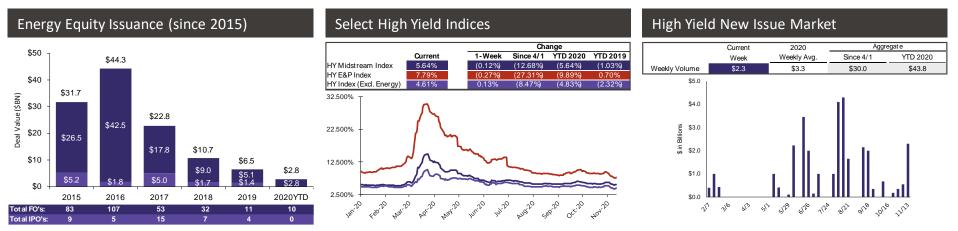
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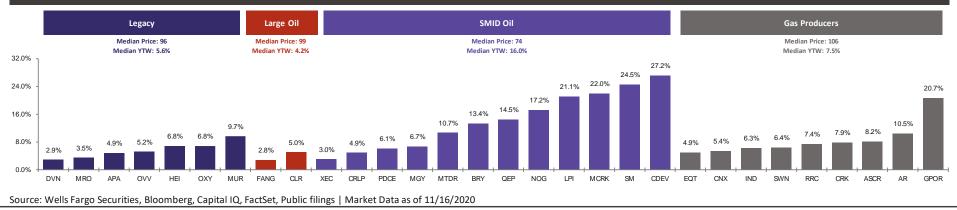
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Capital Markets

- Broad market access fueled shale growth, but poor returns caused investors to pull back
- Price collapse turned this into a stampede
- Debt markets have selectively reopened depending on sector and size
- Equity markets remain challenged for new issuances



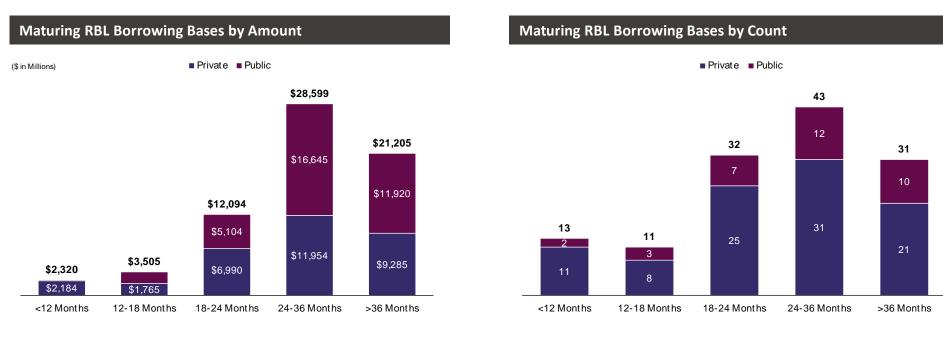
Benchmark Bond Yield (in %) as of 11/12/2020



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Bank Market

- Shale growth drove a transfer of development risk to banks
- Primary and Secondary sources of repayment have been impaired
- Looming maturity wall in 2022-2023, with smaller/private operators highly exposed to refinancing risk
- Market has sought compromises to avoid crystalizing losses

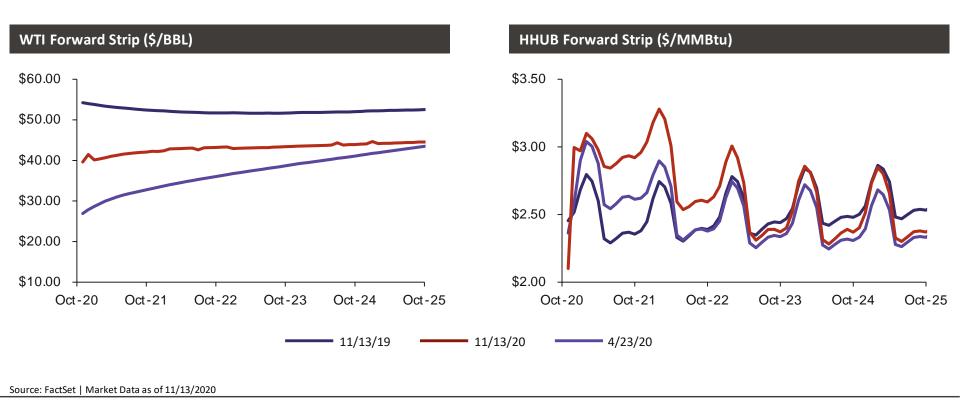


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Where are We Going?

Fall Borrowing Base Redetermination Season

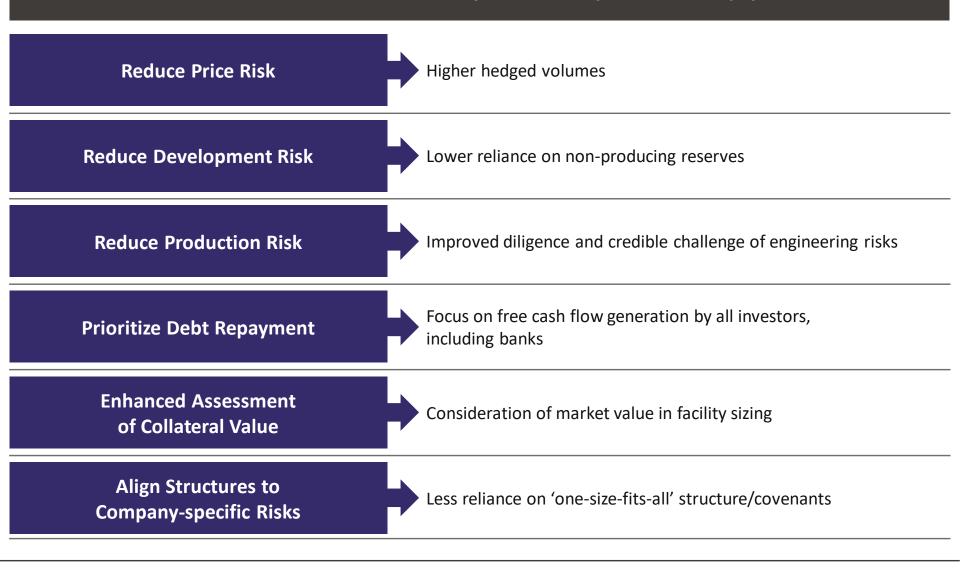
- Price decks higher
- Completion of DUCs offsetting production runoff
- Hedge value declining
- Net result: borrowing bases approximately flat



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Where are We Going? (cont.)

Lenders must have much better visibility into the cash flow that will repay loans



Where are We Going? – Final Thoughts

- Shale revolution a secular change for lending and investing in energy
- Energy transition and ESG are reshaping how capital is deployed in energy
- Oil and gas however, will remain the dominant fuel
 - Renewables will be a growth wedge, but not big enough for the foreseeable future to be the primary energy source
- At some point perceived value will overcome fear and investors will return to energy markets
- Days of abundant cheap capital for oil and gas likely over for the time being
 - Capital providers will adapt to the new environment
 - Alternative sources/types of capital e.g. 1st lien term loans, volumetric production payments, structured derivatives (e.g. prepaid swaps)
 - Cost of capital increases

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