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Sayer Energy Advisors

- 33 year history of oil and natural gas industry M&A services.
- Completely independent of the public markets – we do not get involved in financings.
- Managed by individuals with varied backgrounds, each with significant related experience.



Sayer Energy Advisors

Corporate Advisory Services

- Divestitures, Mergers, Acquisitions.
- Valuations and Fairness Opinions.
- Expert Witness Assignments.

Industry Publications



- Well-known for Canadian M&A market analysis through our quarterly publication.
- Publish complete Canadian oil industry M&A and financing information.
- Complete listing of current Canadian oil & natural gas industry asset and corporate dispositions.

Recent M&A Activity Metrics





We Are in a Buyers' Market

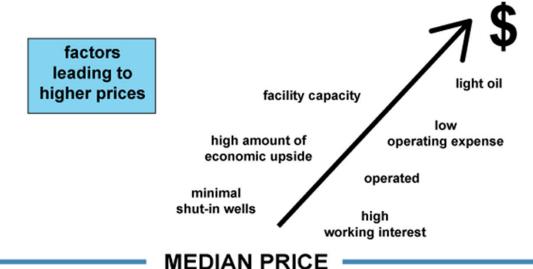


"Let's not play hard to get. We both know it's a buyer's market."

- We have been in a "Buyers' Market" for a number of years.
- The "Buyers' Market" will continue in Canada until we see more capital coming into the industry.



Factors Affecting Prices for M&A Transactions

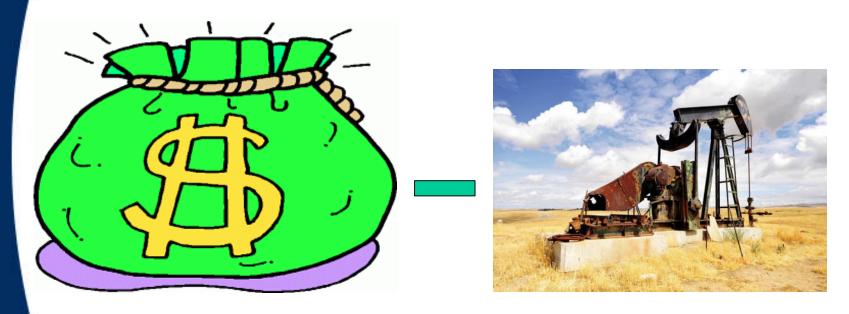


low working interest numerous shut-in wells non-operated high very limited amount operating expense of upside leading to lower prices dry gas



Cash Flow is King!

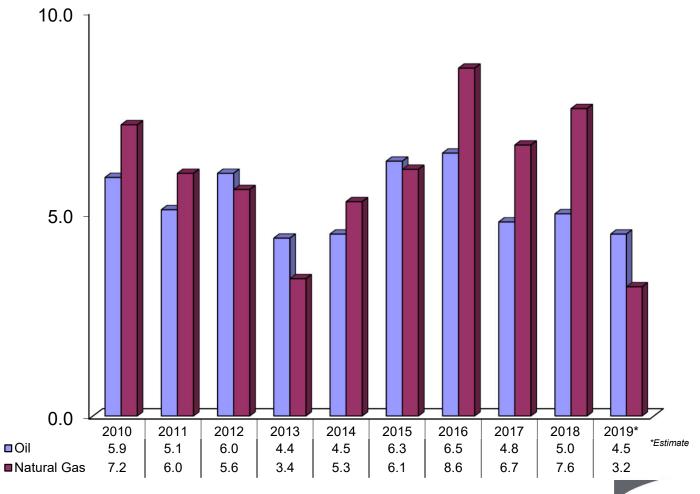
 Deals are being done on a cash flow basis, less consideration for liabilities.



Reserves and production based metrics are pretty much off the table right now.

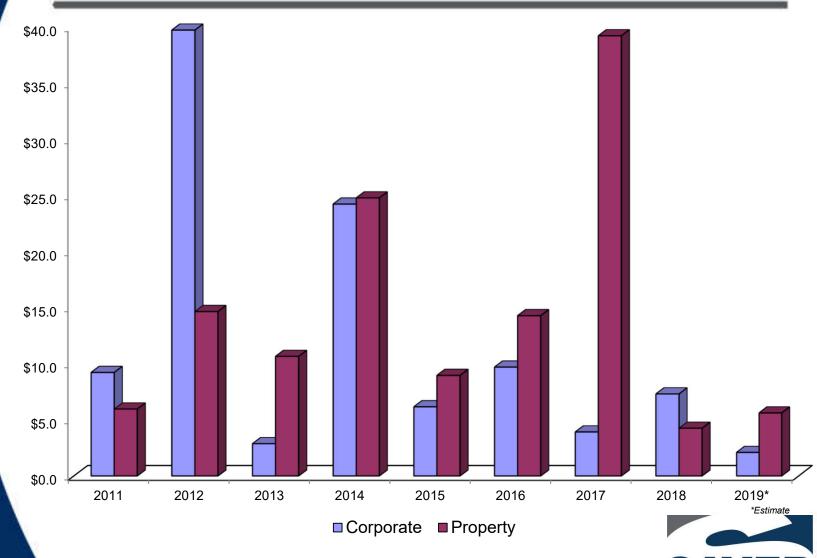


Historic Cash Flow Multiples





Total Enterprise Value of Transactions (\$ Billions)



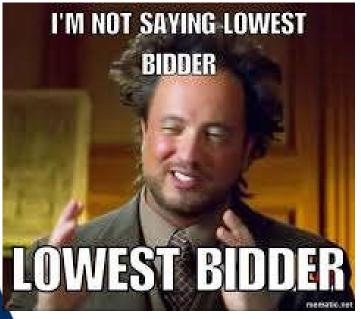
Why is M&A Value Down?

- Uncertainty relating to pricing.
- Uncertainty relating to government.
- Uncertainty relating to environmental policies.
- A generally bad public feeling about our industry.
- In general it appears that our industry is currently "toxic".



Why is M&A Value Down?

- Uncertainty relating to pricing.
 - M&A prices are responsive to commodity price changes.
 - Parties that do not have to sell are not selling in the current M&A environment.



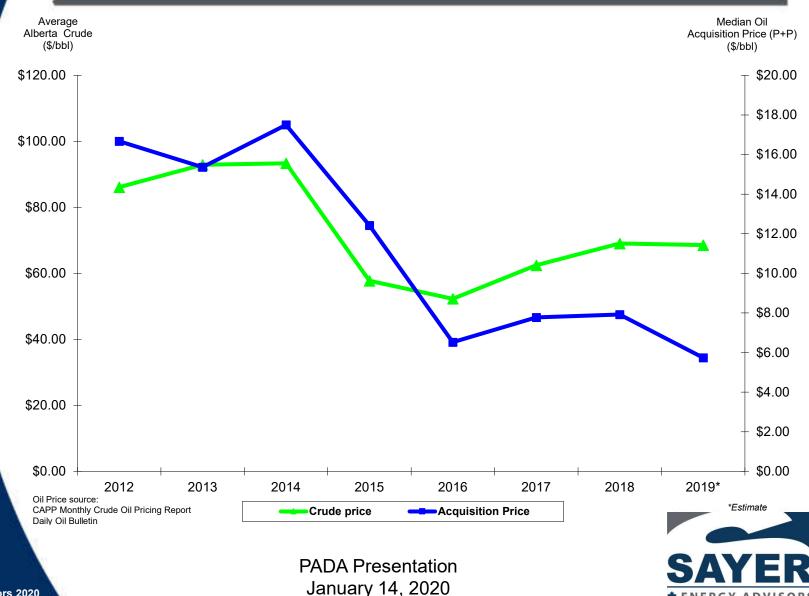
"That's an offer of only 1X cashflow!! I'll hold on and see what happens."



The Question We HATE Getting Asked

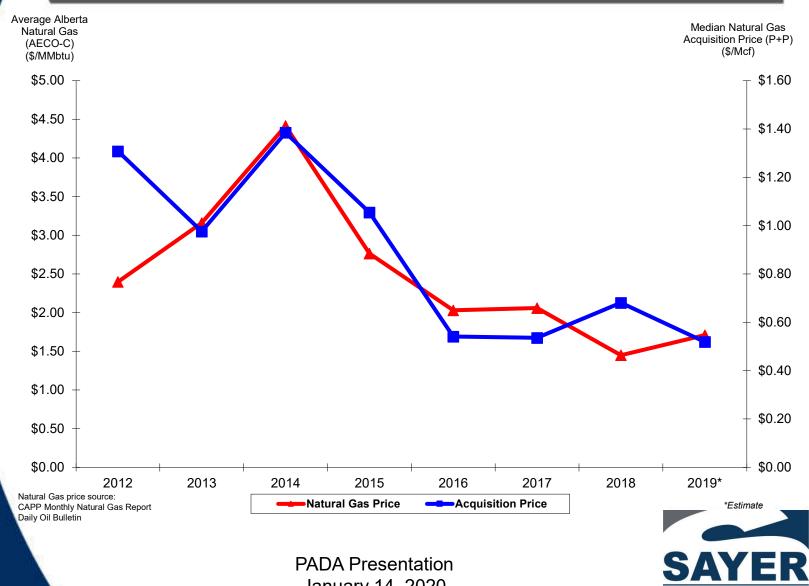
- "When is the gap between buyers and sellers going to close?"
 - Buyers want to buy assets because they believe that the price of oil will rise, yet they make offers as if the price is going to stay low.
 - Sellers, unless pressured to sell, will not sell at low prices unless the prospect of higher prices is reflected in the offer price.
 - A buyer which recognizes this can be successful if it offers value over and above that reflected in strip pricing.

Correlation of Median M&A Price and Commodity Prices: OIL



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Correlation of Median M&A Price and Commodity Prices: NATURAL GAS



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Why is M&A Value Down?

- Uncertainty relating to government.
 - Change in provincial government
 - Production curtailments
 - Uncertainty relating to handling of liability issues.











Does Anyone Love Our Industry?





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Forecast for 2020 M&A Activity























M&A & Liabilities

 Environmental liabilities are a concern, impediment, issue in M&A transactions.

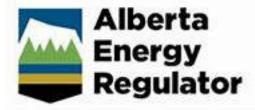






M&A & Liabilities

LLR uncertainty





 Until there is resolution in this matter, the M&A market will remain in turmoil.



Insolvencies





Current Insolvencies





HOUSTON OIL & GAS LTD.













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Who's Next?

 The big question on everyone's mind is who will be the next big blow up?



 Trident was a big one in terms of well count but there are fears that even bigger ones are pending.





Share Buy Backs - NCIB

 This will continue in 2020 meaning less money will be directed toward M&A





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•As a result, Tamarack plans to invest approximately half of the adjusted operating field netback in excess of the 2020 capital budget to continue to purchase shares for cancellation through the NCIB program....





Currently "On the Block" or "Reviewing Strategic Alternatives"











2020: More "Share for Share" Deals

Look for an increase in "paper deals".





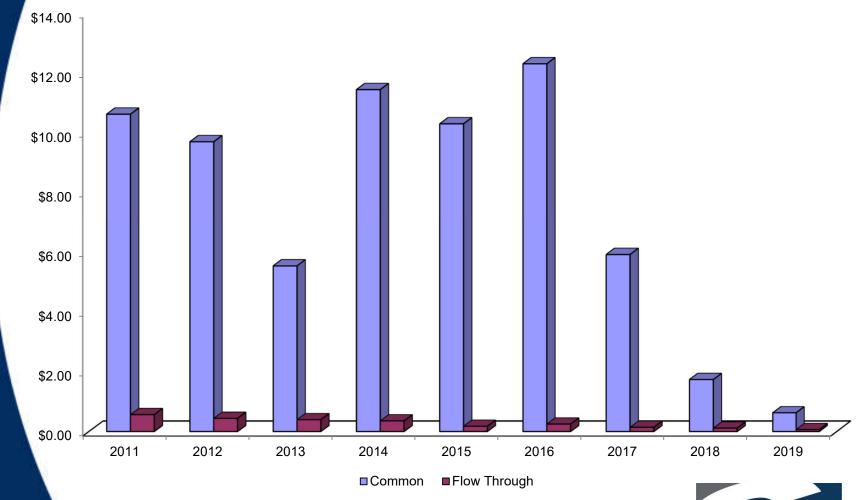


 We believe this activity will pick up as yearend financial and operating results are released.

Total Canadian Oil & Natural Gas Financings (\$ Billions)

- New capital especially equity is key to funding M&A activity.
- Financing activity was down slightly in 2019.
 - Including equity and debt issues, a total of \$5.2 billion in capital was raised in 2019.
 - \$5.3 billion was raised in 2018
 - \$22.8 billion was raised in 2017
- Equity raised was down significantly in 2019, with \$800 million raised vs. the \$1.9 billion raised in 2018 and \$6.0 billion raised in 2017.
- There was an increase in debt issues, with \$4.4 billion raised in 2019 compared to \$3.4 billion in 2018.

Total Canadian Oil & Natural Gas Equity Financings (\$ Billions)



2020: Private Equity Will Increase Its Presence

 With lethargic public capital markets, private equity has recently stepped up its presence as recently illustrated by transactions involving:





· Topaz Energy Corp.



Private Company





2020: Private Equity Reorganizations and Recapitalizations





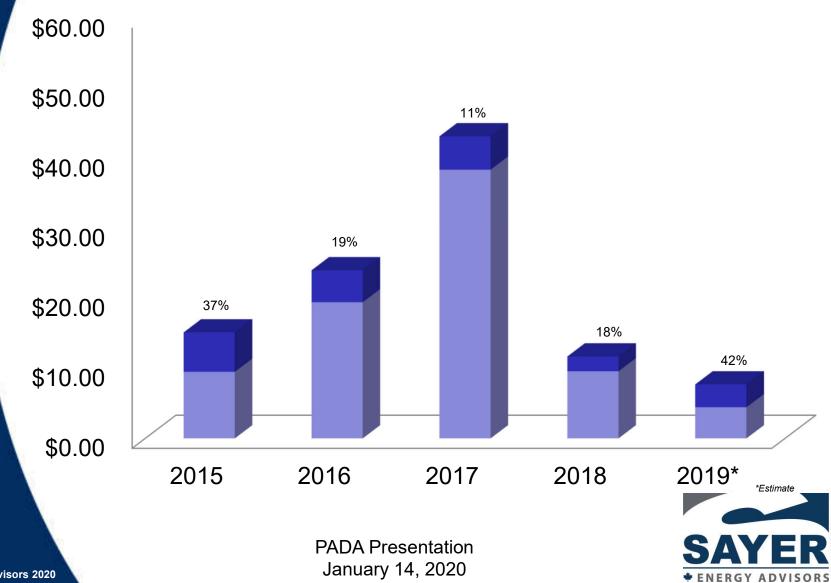
Headwater Exploration Inc.







Total M&A Value vs. Total M&A Value Done By Private Entities (\$ Billions)



M&A Transactions Concluded by Sayer in 2019















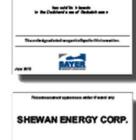










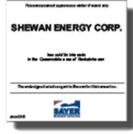


EXPO ENERGY INC.













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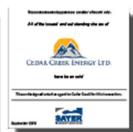






















Summary

- The M&A market needs cooperation from all levels of government.
 - LLR, environmental, pipelines, ...
- LLR and environmental issues will continue to factor into M&A transactions.
- Declining curtailment levels will help.
- Some companies will "roll over" and willingly enter the M&A market.
- Other companies will enter the M&A market unwillingly.
- More share-for-share transactions will be concluded.
- Private equity will continue to step up.
- The industry will survive.

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