

Gas & Electricity Markets Wholesale Price Update

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Agenda

- How Did We Get Here?
 - Select events during late 2015
- Tasmania Isolation
 - Snapshot post Basslink outage
- Looking Ahead
 - Factors to watch



How Did We Get Here?

Hydro Weighs Heavily On Tasmanian Energy Balance

Hydro Dominant

- ~85% of generation post 2014
- Highly correlated to rainfall

VIC Import through Basslink

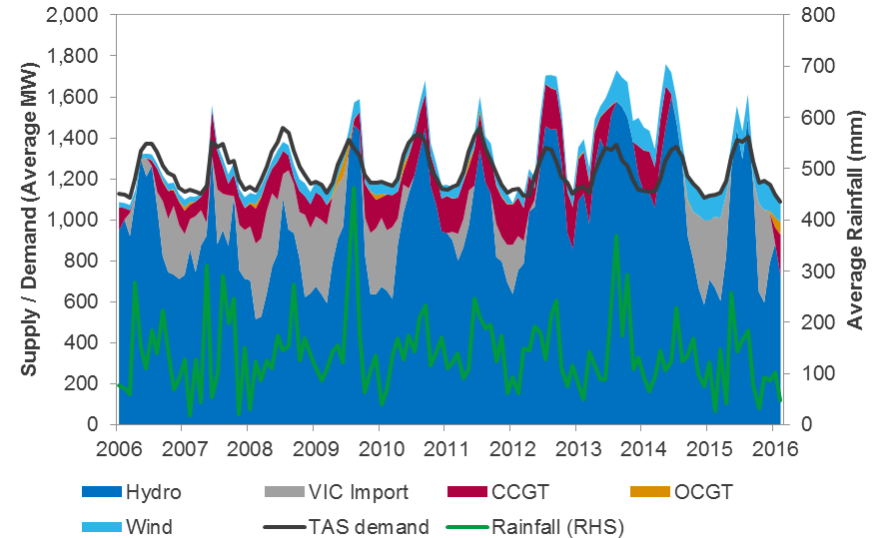
- Spring/Autumn lulls

Gas Generation

- Strong Until 2014

Wind

- Increasing



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Opportunity in Carbon

Hydro Storage Level

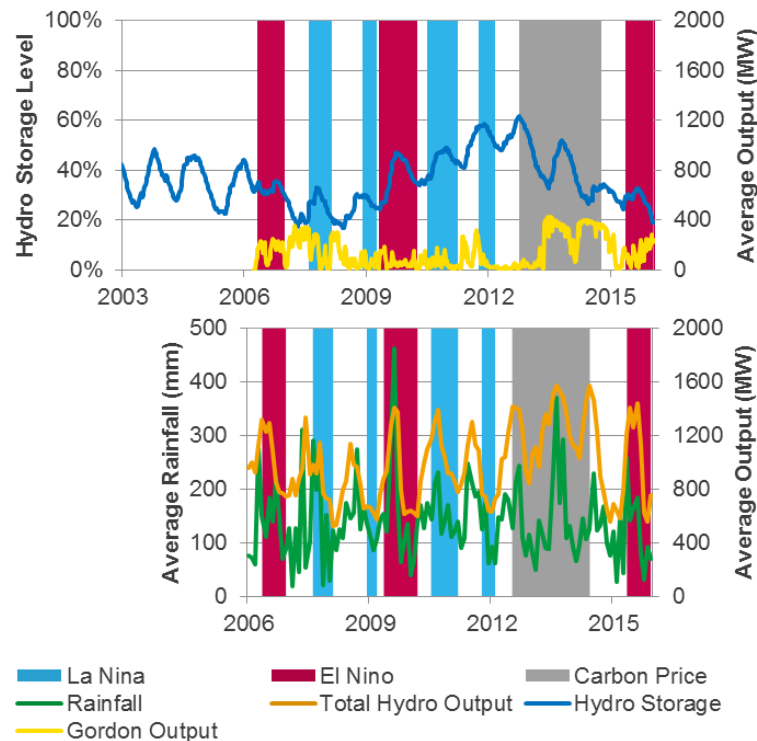
- Long-term average ~30%
- Storage build up pre-Carbon to ~60%
- Storage return to ~30% post-Carbon¹

Gordon and Storage

- Largest hydro station
- Increased output during Carbon

Climate Events and Rainfall

- El Niño² typically *less* rain
- La Niña typically *more* rain



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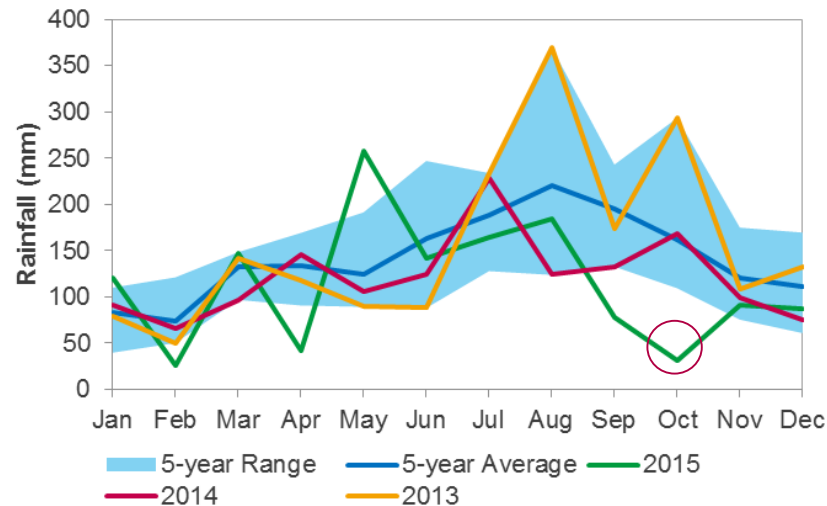
Weather Not Permitting

Tasmanian Rainfall

- Driest October on record⁴
- Hydro storage levels fell below 20%

Climate Influences

- 2015 El Niño
- Positive Indian Ocean Dipole³

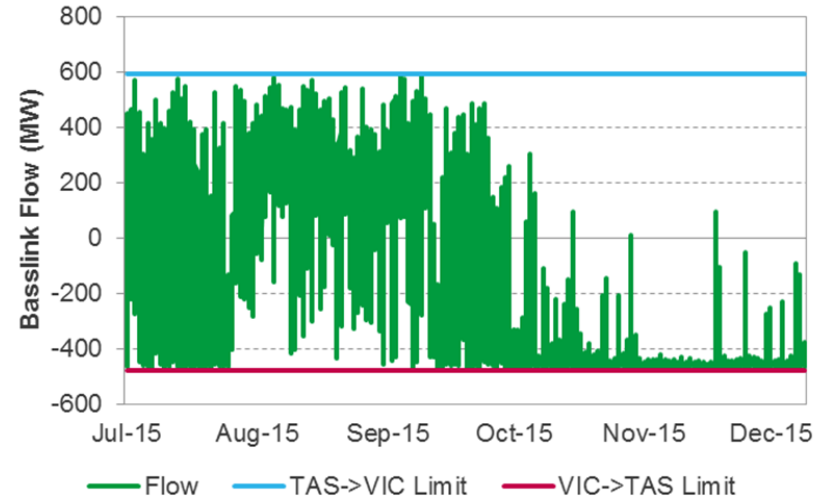


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Victoria Acting As Lifeline

Basslink Interconnector

- Bi-directional
- Strong imports since October 2015
- Crucial lifeline⁵



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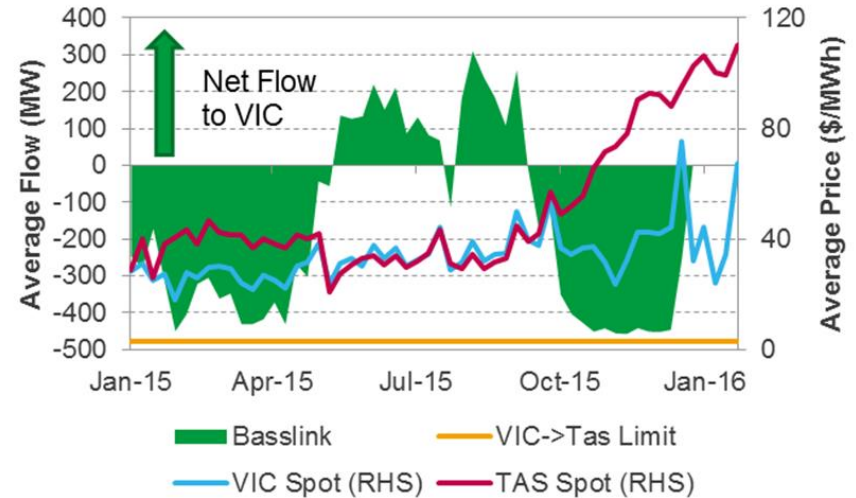
Lifeline Cut Off

Basslink Interconnector

- Outage on 20 December 2015^{6,7}

Spot Price Impacts

- Divergence between Victoria and Tasmania
- Increased Tasmanian prices



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Happenings Around Other NEM Regions

Utility-scale Solar

- Broken Hill, Nyngan and Moree in 2016⁸ - 211MW

Structural Change in South Australia

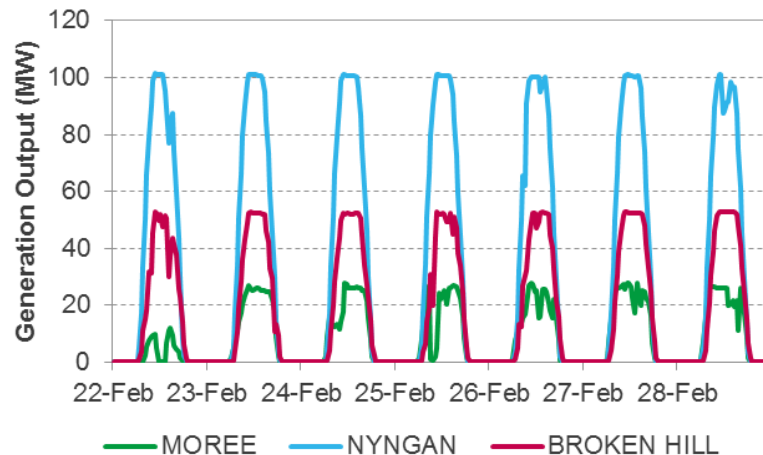
- Closure of 520MW Northern power station⁸

Climate Change Mitigation

- Climate Agreement in Paris to limit global warming well below 2°C⁹

Queensland LNG Export in Full Swing

- All three LNG projects now exporting^{10,11,12}
- Electricity demand growth (+~250MW)¹³



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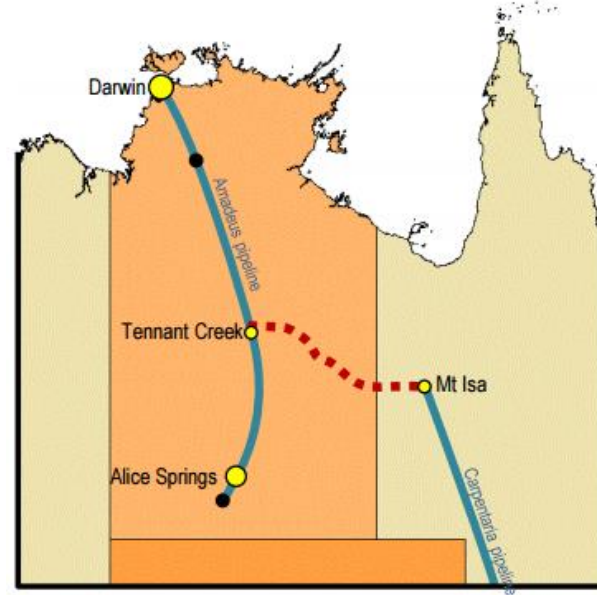
Gas Market Developments

Northern Gas Pipeline

- Connects to Mt Isa from 2018¹⁴

Gas Players Reshuffle

- Shell-BG Merger¹⁵
- AGL Exits Upstream Gas¹⁶



Source: Jemena

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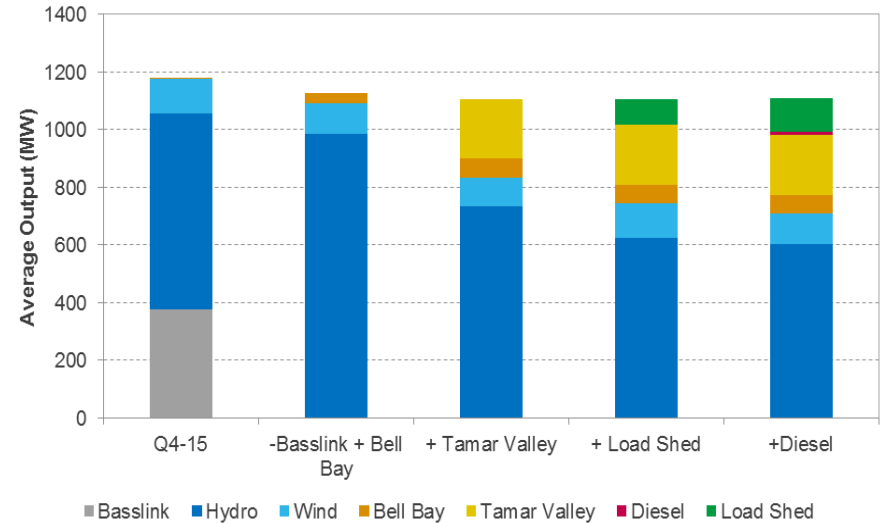
Basslink Outage 20 December 2015

Bell Bay Peaking Plant Operate as Intermediate

Tamar Valley CCGT (208MW) from 20 January 2016

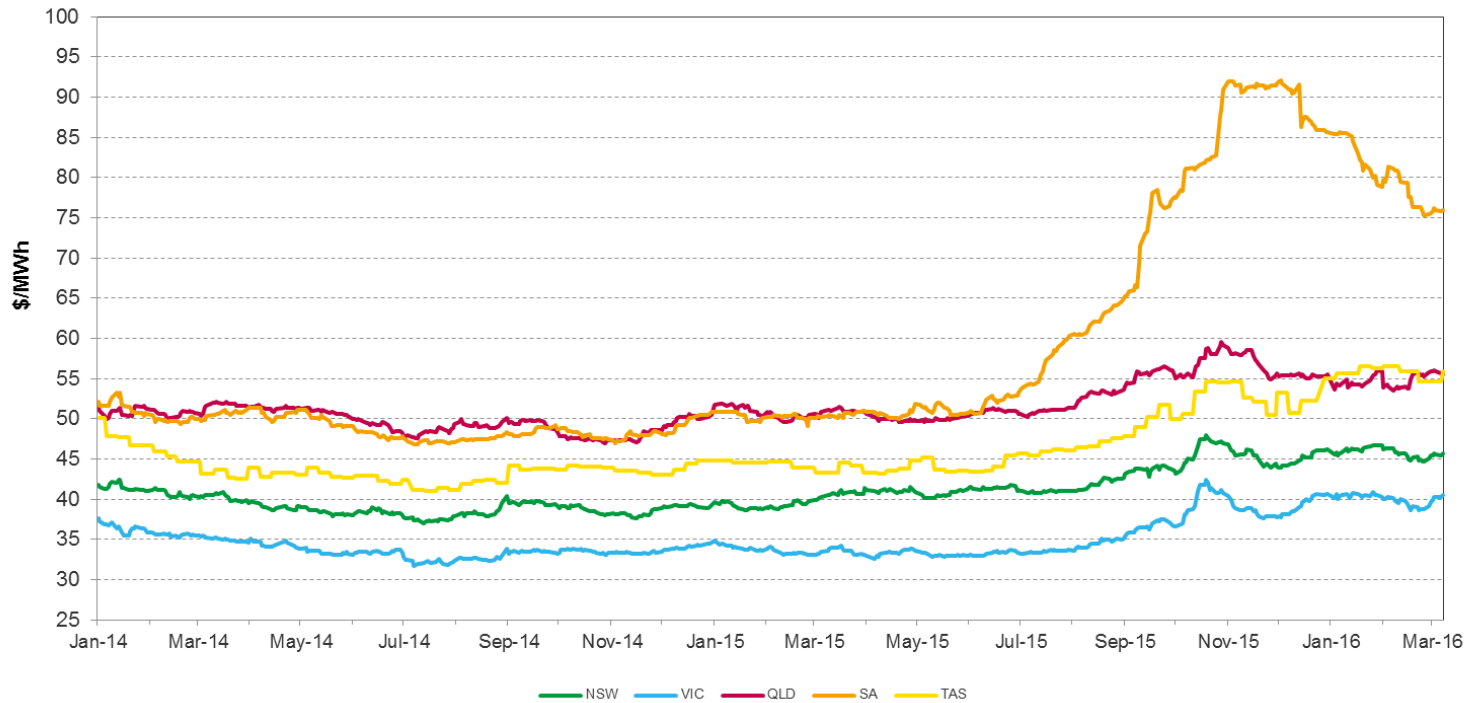
Load Reduction Late February (~100MW)

First Diesel Generation (24MW) 10 March 2016



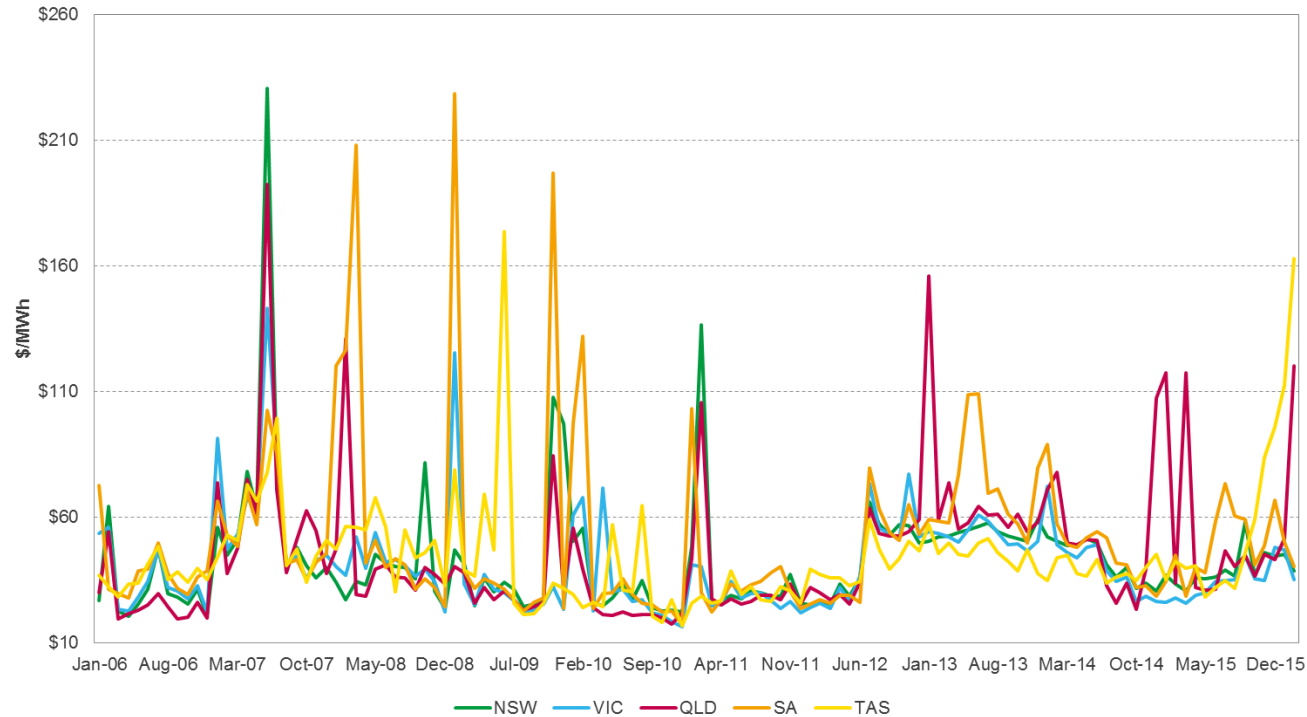
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NEM Forward Price Evolution: FY-16/17



Source: Hydro Tasmania, SE Global Research & Analytics

NEM Spot Price Evolution



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Looking Ahead



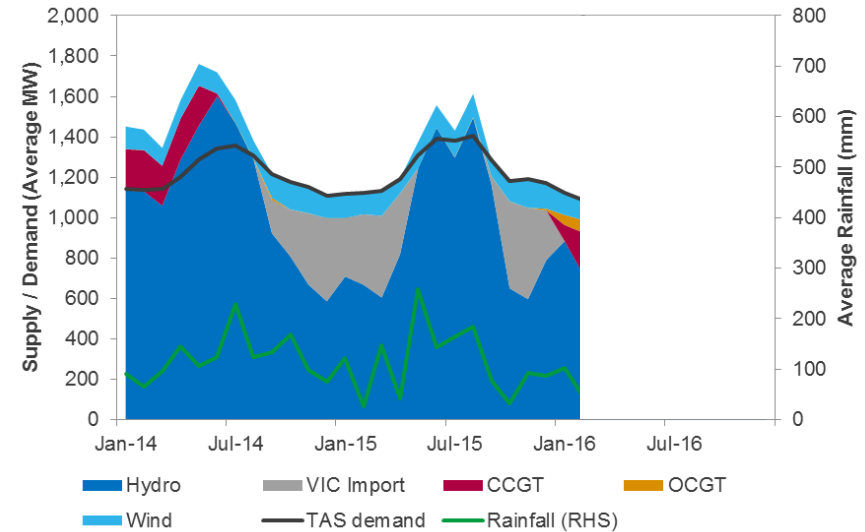
Tasmania – Remainder Of 2016

Scenario

- Long-term Average Rainfall
- Tamar Valley CCGT and Bell Bay OCGT
- No Basslink
- No Load Shed
- No Diesel

Assessment

- Autumn/Spring Gap of ~150MW
 - Tamar Valley Peaking (58MW in April)
 - Diesel Generators (up to 100MW by end of March)
 - Total of ~150MW
- Winter OK



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Long-Term Options for Tasmania

Return of Basslink

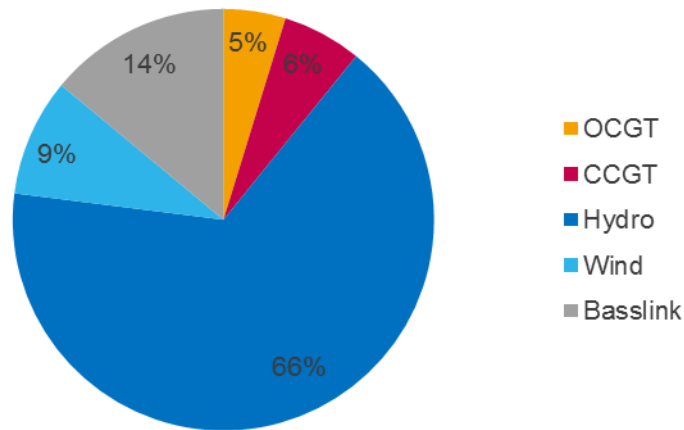
- Second Basslink longer term
- Bullish factors for Victoria
 - South Australia
 - Aluminium smelters and emission challenge

Gas-fired Generation

- Price of gas
- Global LNG glut

Renewable Generation

- Large-scale solar may recharge industry
- Good wind resource in Tasmania

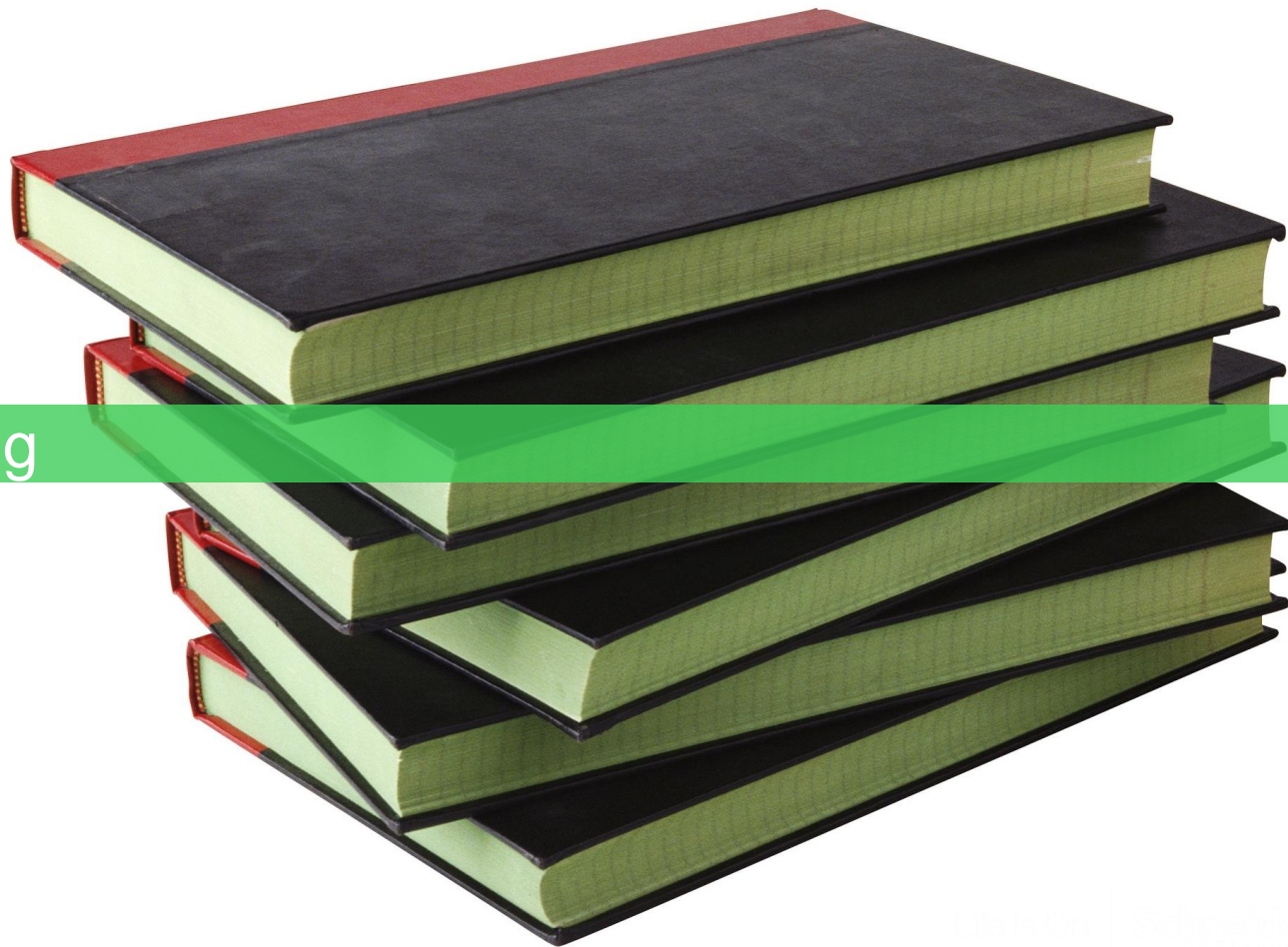


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Looking Ahead

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Additional Reading



Additional Research

Global Research & Analytics Research cited in this presentation includes research linked below, as well as research available only to ESS Risk Management clients

- ¹ *September 2014 Monthly Outlook*
- ² *Q4-14 Quarterly Outlook & 18 August 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ³ *Q4-15 Quarterly Outlook & 19 October 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ⁴ *2 November 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ⁵ *December 2015 Monthly Outlook*
- ⁶ *22 December 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ⁷ *January 2016 Monthly Outlook*
- ⁸ *13 October 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ⁹ *15 December 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ¹⁰ *14 July 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ¹¹ *19 October 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ¹² *12 January 2016 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ¹³ *Q3-15 Quarterly Outlook*
- ¹⁴ *17 November 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ¹⁵ *24 November 2015 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))
- ¹⁶ *9 February 2016 Weekly Outlook* ([link](#))

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