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ABBREVIATIONS AND CONVERSION FACTORS

barrel = 42 U.S. gallons = 34.97 Imperial gallons = 158.98 litres.

bbl barrel.

Bcf billion cubic feet.

Bcm billion cubic metres.

b/d barrels per day.

boe barrel of oil equivalent.

Bboe billions of barrels of oil equivalent.

Btu British thermal unit; a unit of energy; 1 Btu = 1 055 joules. One Btu is the heat required to raise the temperature of one pound of water through one degree Fahrenheit.

CEC Commission of the European Communities.

CFCs chlorofluorocarbons.

CIS Commonwealth of Independent States, whose members are Russia, Belarus, Ukraine, Moldava, Armenia, Kazakhstan, Turkmenia, and Uzbekistan.

CNG compressed natural gas.

CO carbon monoxide.

CO₂ carbon dioxide.

EC The European Community, whose members are Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, and the United Kingdom.

ECU European Currency Unit.

EIA Energy Information Agency (United States).

FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (United States).

FGD Flue gas desulfurisation.

FOB free on board; refers to the price of excluding cost of shipment and insurance.

FSU Former Soviet Union.

GATT General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

GDP Gross domestic product. The total value of the output produced and income generated by economic activity within a given country.

GNP Gross national product. The total value of a nation's annual output of goods and services; it differs from GDP by the addition of incomes earned abroad and the substraction of incomes produced at home but earned by foreign residents.

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GW gigawatt, or 1 watt x 109.

gigawatt-hour = 1 gigawatt x 1 hour, or 1 watt 1 1 hour x 109. **GWh**

International Energy Agency; an autonomous body of the OECD, **IEA**

which carries out programs of energy cooperation among 21 of the OECD's 24 member countries. Also coordinates the response to

international supply disruptions.

International Monetary Fund. **IMF**

kilogram, 1 metric ton = 10^3 kilograms. kg

kilometre, or 1 metre x 103. km kilovolt, or 1 volt x 103. kV kilowatt, or 1 watt x 103. kW

kWh kilowatt-hour.

Less developed country. LDC liquified natural gas. LNG

liquified petroleum gas; refers to propane, butane and their isomers. LPG

millions of barrels per day. Mbd

millions of barrels per day of oil equivalent. Mbdoe

million British thermal units. MBtu Mcfd millions of cubic feet per day.

miles per U.S. gallon. mpg methyl tertiary butyl ether. MTBE

millions of metric tons on oil equivalent; see toe Mtoe

megawatt of electricity, or 1 watt x 106. MW megawatt-hour = 1 MW x 1 hour.MWh

natural gas liquids, including ethane, propane, butane, pentane, and NGL

the heavier hydrocarbons.

nitrous oxide. N₂O nitrogen oxides. NO.

NYMEX New York Mercantile Exchange.

Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development: Australia, OECD

Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switerland, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.

Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries: Algeria, Gabon, OPEC Indonesia, Iraq, Iran, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia,

the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela.

R&D research and development.

R/P Reserve/Production ratio; the number of years that a resource will last if produced at the current production rate.

SNG synthetic natural gas.

SO₂ sulfur dioxide. SO_x sulfur oxides.

Tcf trillion cubic feet (10¹²).

toe metric ton of oil equivalent, defined at 10⁷ kcal.

TW terawatt, or 1 watt x 10¹².

TWh terawatt x one hour.

VAT value added tax.

VOCs volatile organic compounds, including hydrocarbon vapour emissions.

W watt; the rate at which work is performed, or power, is measured in watts, and a watt is equal to one joule per second.

Conversion Table to Mtoe, Kcal and MBtu

	Mtoe (=10 ¹³ Kcal)	MBtu (x 10 ⁷)
Oil		
1 Mtoe	1.0	4.0
1 Mkl	0.83	3.3
1 Mbl	0,132	0.52
1 Mbd	48.2	191.0
Coal		
1 Mtce	0.7	2.8
Gas		
1 Bcm	0.82	3.3
1 Beft	0.023	0.09
Nuclear: Input Base		
1 GW/GWe		
60% operation	1.3	5.2
65% operation	1.4	5.6
70% operation	1.5	6.0