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## Energy Outlook



## Liquids Supply

Liquid Supply by Type
MBDOE


Crude and Condensate Resource* Trillion barrels of oil


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## Multiple Business Sector Opportunities

High Performance
Operational Excellence


Clean Fuels


## Bifurcation - Trends

Resources<br>Lighter<br>NGL, North American Crudes<br>Heavier<br>Bitumen, Challenged Crudes

Products<br>Lighter<br>Ethylene, Propylene, BTX<br>Heavier<br>Lubricants, Diesel, Specialties

Manufacturing
Simple and Distributed $\longleftrightarrow$ Complex and Integrated

Biorefineries, MTX, and regions with infrastructure challenges

OECD countries or countries with
large, highly networked infrastructures

## The Resource: Crude and Product Composition ~2000



The Resource: Crude and Product Composition - 2000 to 2020


## Bifurcation - Challenges

## Conversion

M. W. Increase

Oligomerization, Aromatization, Alkylation,
Methanol-to-Everything

## M.W. Reduction

Cracking, Dealkylation, Hydrocracking

## Separation



Vacuum Distillation, Wax Removal Separation

## Modeling <br> Simple and Intuitive Learning models, explanatory <br> Complex and Rigorous <br> Simulation models, predictive

ExxonMobil Process Intensification Example:
Pressure Swing Reforming

## Pressure Swing Reforming: New Way to Make Syngas and Hydrogen



## Key Features

- Cyclic Process:
- Combust \& Reform in bed
- Reverse Flow
- In-situ heat exchange
- Pressure swing transfers heat from low to high pressure


## Avoids Economic Debits

- No Air Separation
- No High-Temp. Furnaces
- No Excess Steam
- Efficient Energy Use


## Chemical Engineering for the Future

- Chemical engineering is central to solving many of the energy challenges
- Success depends on applying the traditional curriculum ...
- Thermodynamics
- Fluid mechanics
- Heat/mass transfer and kinetics
- ... to address tomorrow's challenges
- Interdisciplinary interfaces with materials science, biology, geology
- Modeling, informatics, visualization
- Multi-scale principles for process design
- Process integration and intensification


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