SGV-UA&P Independent Audit of Oil Prices

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How reasonable are local pump prices?

- What is a reasonable price?
- This is not defined in law or economics.
- A bit like a beauty contest: beauty is in the eye of the beholder.
- But if prices are excessively high, profits should be great.

Three main approaches

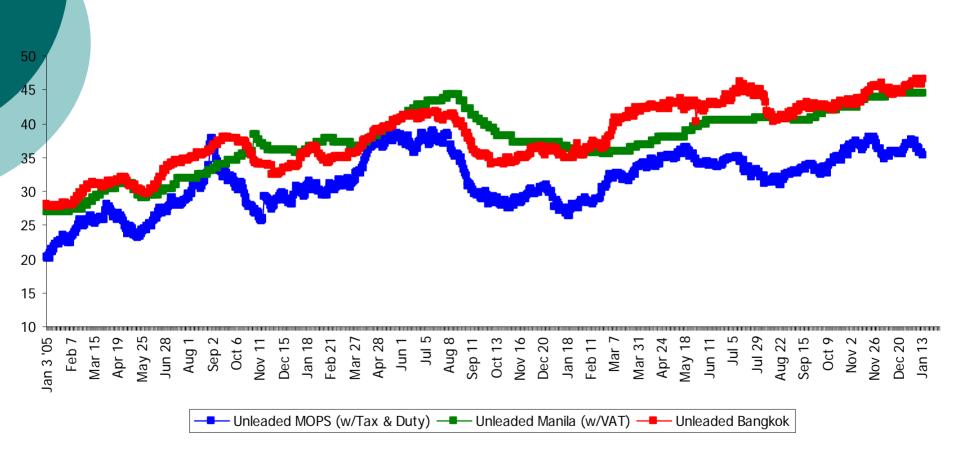
- Compare oil price movements (domestic pump price and international crude and refined prices
 - Data suggests costs of oil companies went up more than pump price
 - Compare also with Thailand
- Cost build-up
 - Preliminary DOE figures here also suggest oil company/dealer/hauler take have gone down.
- Profitability of Oil firms
 - Look at ROE of oil firms for recent years
 - Stock market performance

Comparative Price Movements

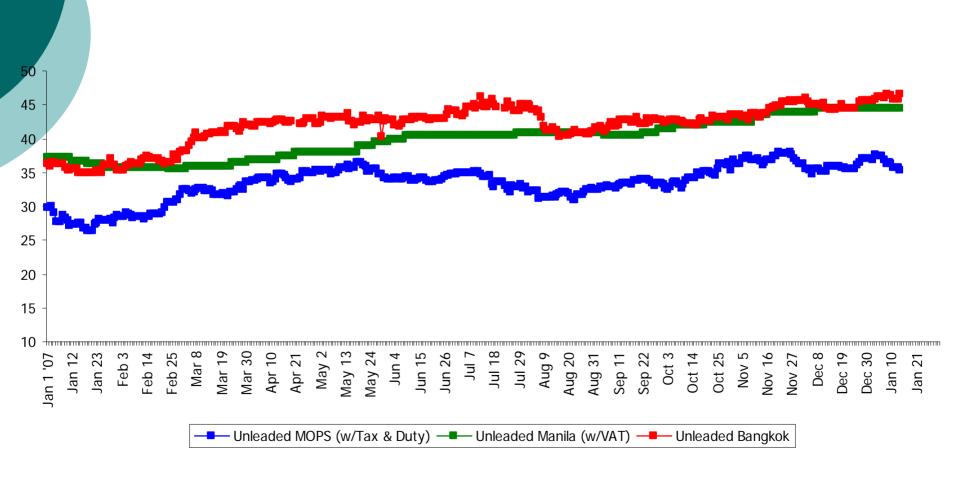
	Prevailing Prices (Php/li, Php/kg)		
	Dec 06	Nov 19, 2007	
			% inc
Gasoline	37.24	43.95	18.0
Diesel	33.24	37.95	14.2
LPG	36.99	46.98	27.0
	International Prices (Php/li, Php/kg)		
	Dec 06	Nov 1-16, 2007	
			% inc
Gasoline	21.19	26.99	27.4
Diesel	22.45	29.55	31.6
LPG	24.25	31.98	31.9

Strong Peso helped. International prices would have risen more if expressed in US \$.

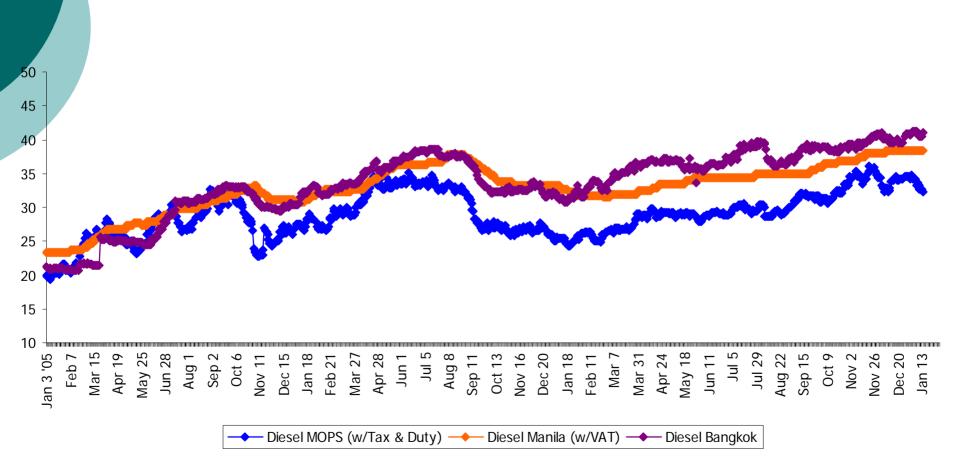
MOPS vs Bangkok vs Manila (Unleaded gasoline prices in PhP/liter)



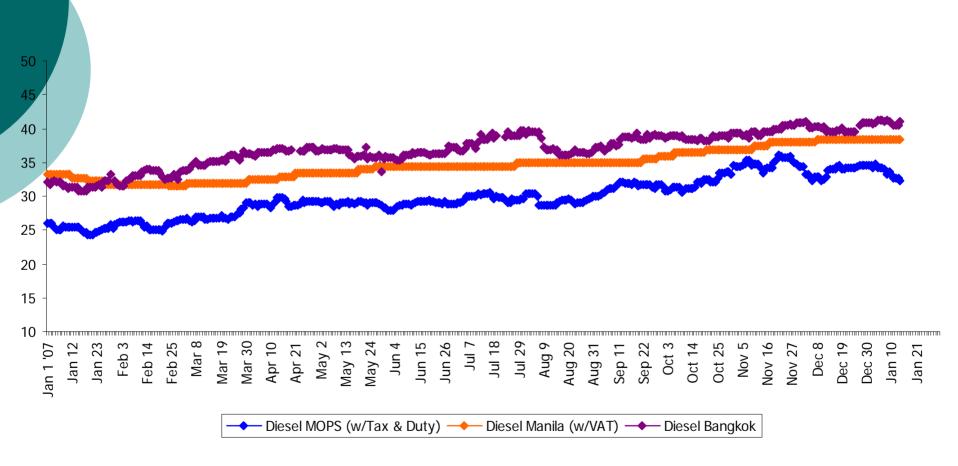
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MOPS vs Bangkok vs Manila (Automotive diesel prices in PhP/liter)



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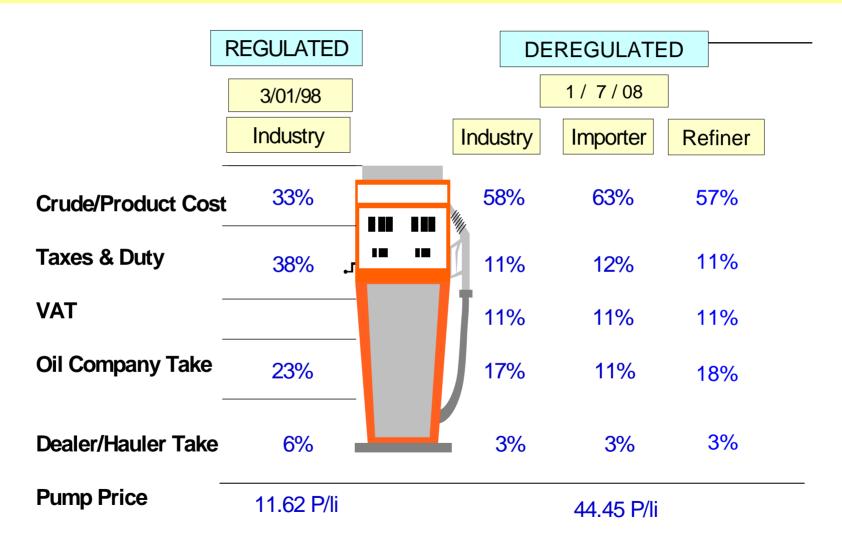


Some correlation statistics

	REGRESSIO	REGRESSION RESULTS Dependent Variable: Unleaded Gasoline Price		
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	Manila (PhP/li)	Bangkok (Baht/li)		
Intercept	26.572 (34.07)	16.315 (30.975)		
MOPS Unleaded	0.545 (16.79)	0.709 (23.273)		
r-square	0.348	0.510		
F statistic	281.876	541.628		
	Dependent Variable: A	ariable: Automotive Diesel Price		
	Manila (PhP/li)	Bangkok (Baht/li)		
Intercept	19.733 (35.181)	12.250 (34.345)		
MOPS Diesel	0.581 (26.550)	0.734 (37.956)		
r-square	0.572	0.735		
F statistic	704.888 1440.666			



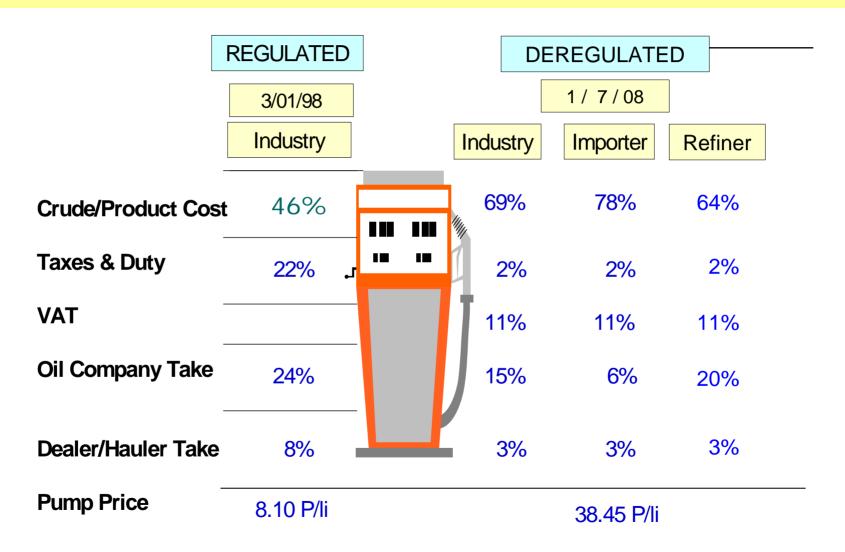
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Crude based on December 2007 Dubai Product based on MTD January 2008 MOPS



WHAT DO WE PAY FOR IN A LITER OF DIESEL?

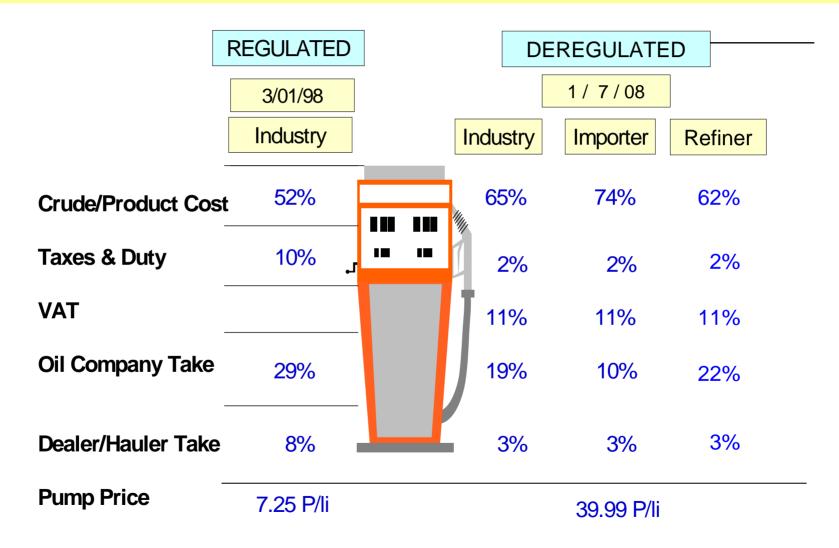


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Import dependence: 41%



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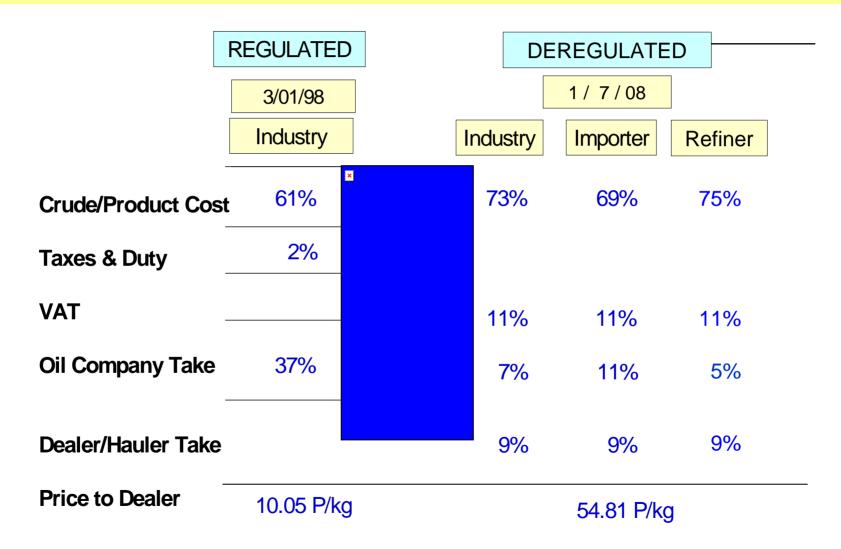


Crude based on December 2007 Dubai Product based on MTD January 2008 MOPS

Import dependence: 35%



WHAT DO WE PAY FOR IN A KILOGRAM OF LPG?



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Petron Profitability

Year	NIAT* (mn PhP)	ROE(%)	NIAT (net of exports)	ROE(%)
2002	1,698	6.03	1,106	4.03
2003	1,851	6.59	982	3.69
2004	2,345	8.21	881	3.40
2005	2,067	3.18	132	0.22
2006	1,455	2.24	1,026	1.73
2007	1,587	2.44	237	0.40

^{*}Net Income After Tax (adjusted for appraisal depn)

Shell Profitability

Year	NIAT*	ROE(%)
2002	1,544	6.06
2003	1,450	5.82
2004	1,771	5.01
2005	3,336	9.66
2006	1,908	5.81
2007	3,809	12.21

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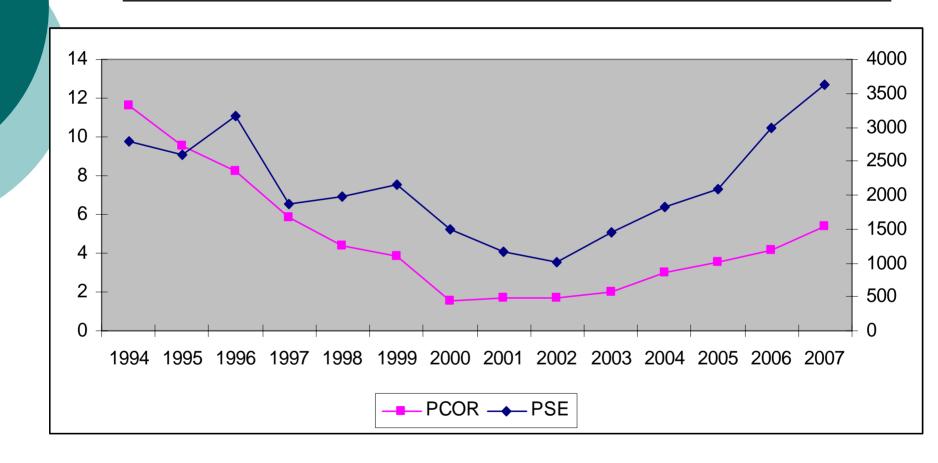
In contrast, interest rates were

Year	Treasury Bill Rate (all maturities)	Treasury Bond Rates (20 yr)	Lending Rates (High – Low)
2000	10.90	_	15.57 – 12.87
2001	11.05	-	15.31 – 13.67
2002	6.04	13.88	10.43 – 8.69
2003	6.65	12.23	10.75 – 8.92
2004	8.13	13.00	12.08 – 10.07
2005	7.53	12.13	11.06 – 9.05
2006	6.20	9.69	10.15 – 8.30
2007	4.21	-	8.59 – 6.85

RP Treasury Bond Rates

Year	5 Year	10 Year	20 Year
2000	13.76	14.68	n.a.
2001	14.53	17.00	n.a.
2002	12.11	12.56	13.88
2003	8.15	11.81	12.23
2004	11.64	12.31	13.00
2005	10.95	11.69	12.13
2006	8.72	8.06	9.69

Petron stock market performance

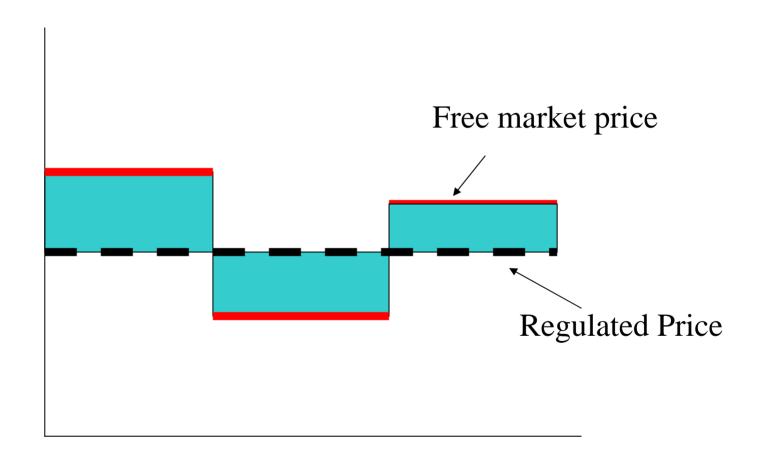


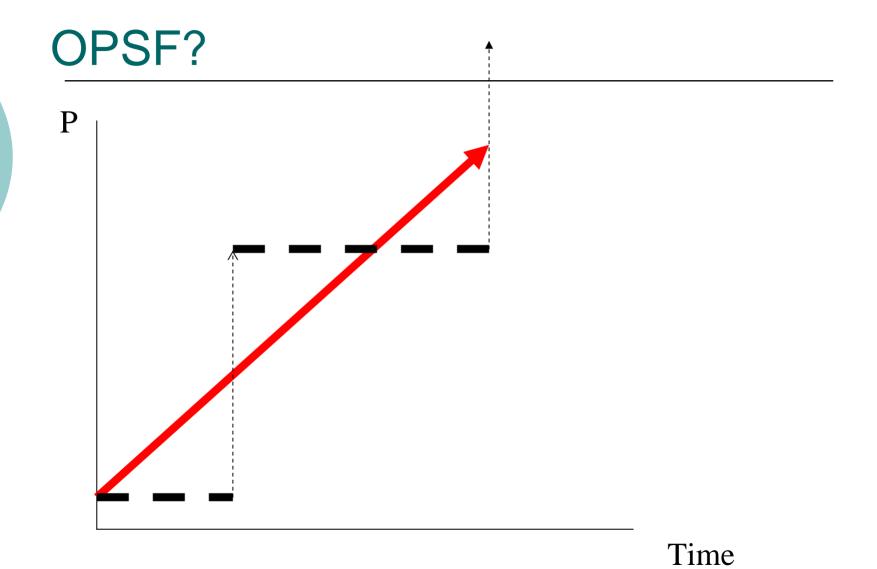
IRR of Petron stock approx. 4%

Final Thoughts

- O Abrogate oil deregulation?
 - Source of high oil prices is external
- o Resurrect OPSF?

OPSF?





Final Thoughts

- Implement Oil Deregulation Law provision for oil companies to list on stock market
 - Improve public impression of transparency.
 Listed firms need to report financials
 - Public also becomes stockholders. Can share in the profits/losses.
- Ultimately, country needs a credible competition policy with an enforcement agency.