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Less, Less, Less: The Beginning of the End of Coal

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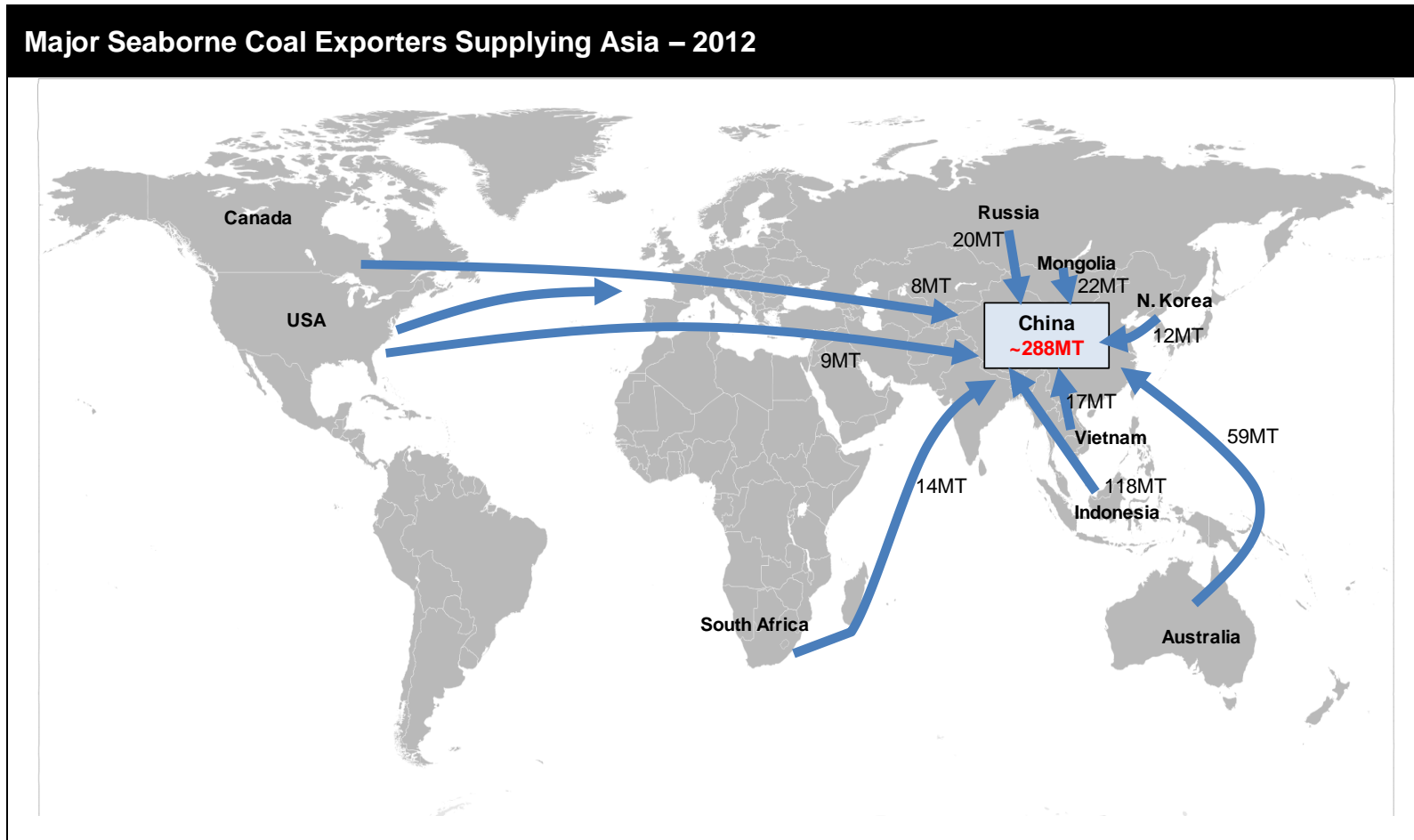
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Asian Coal – The Appalachian Butterfly Effect

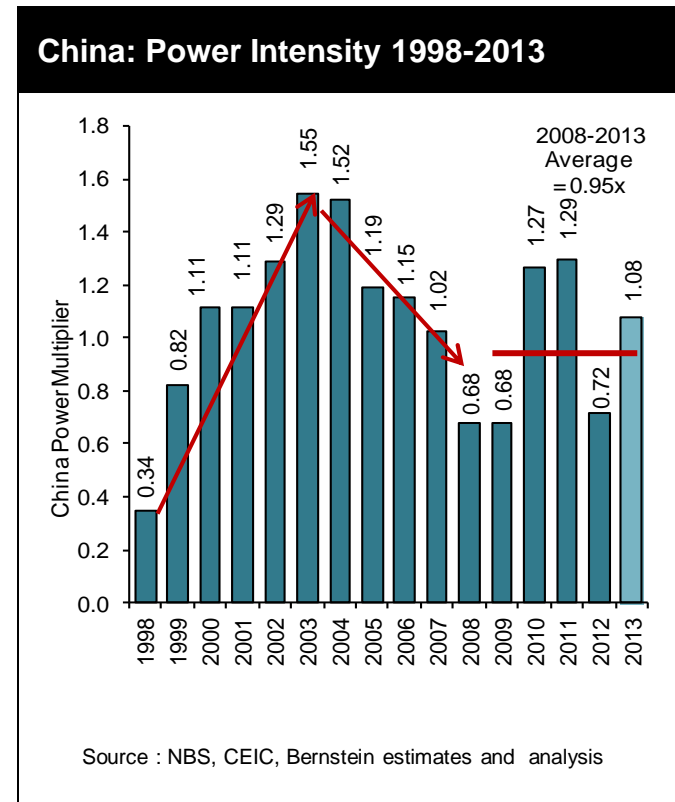
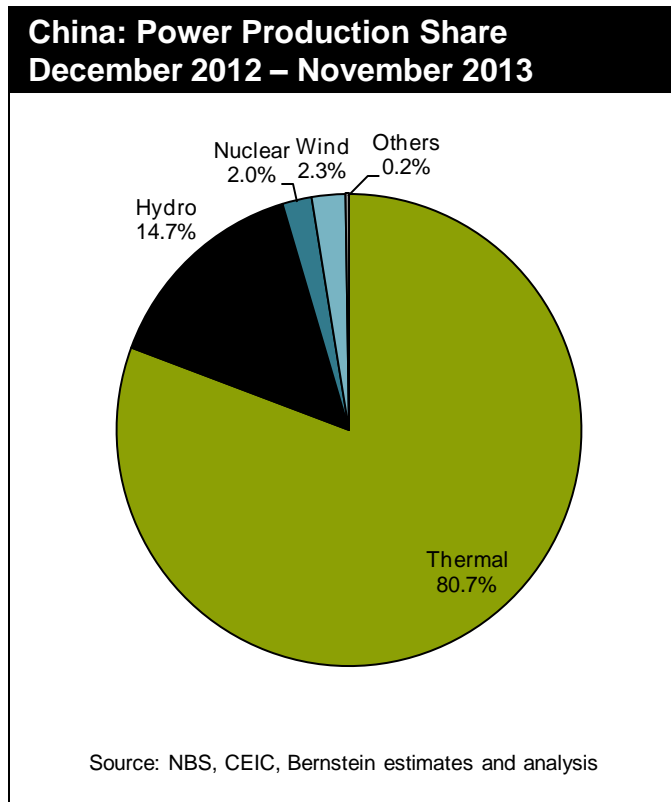
- Chinese coal prices didn't fall 25% over the course of 2012 because of the US and South Africa combining to export an incremental 11M tons of coal to a 4B ton Chinese coal market. Coal prices fell primarily because Chinese coal production and transportation capacity growth outstripped Chinese demand growth.



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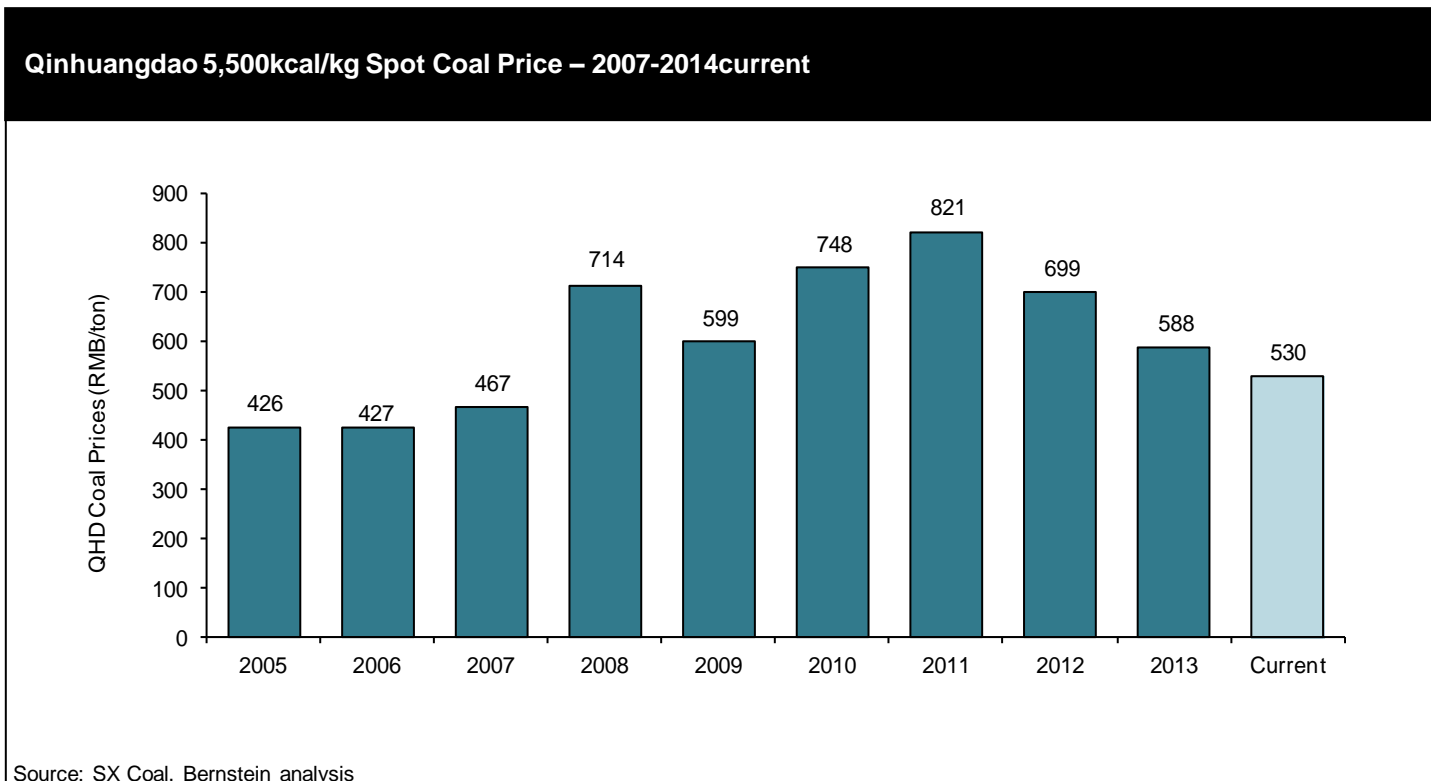
Chinese Power – Turn on the Lights, the Party’s Over

- China's "power multiplier" over the business cycle since 2007 is ~1x GDP growth. The power multiplier (power production growth divided by real GDP growth or the amount of electricity required to produce a unit of GDP) was 1.4x from 2003 to 2006, but falling.



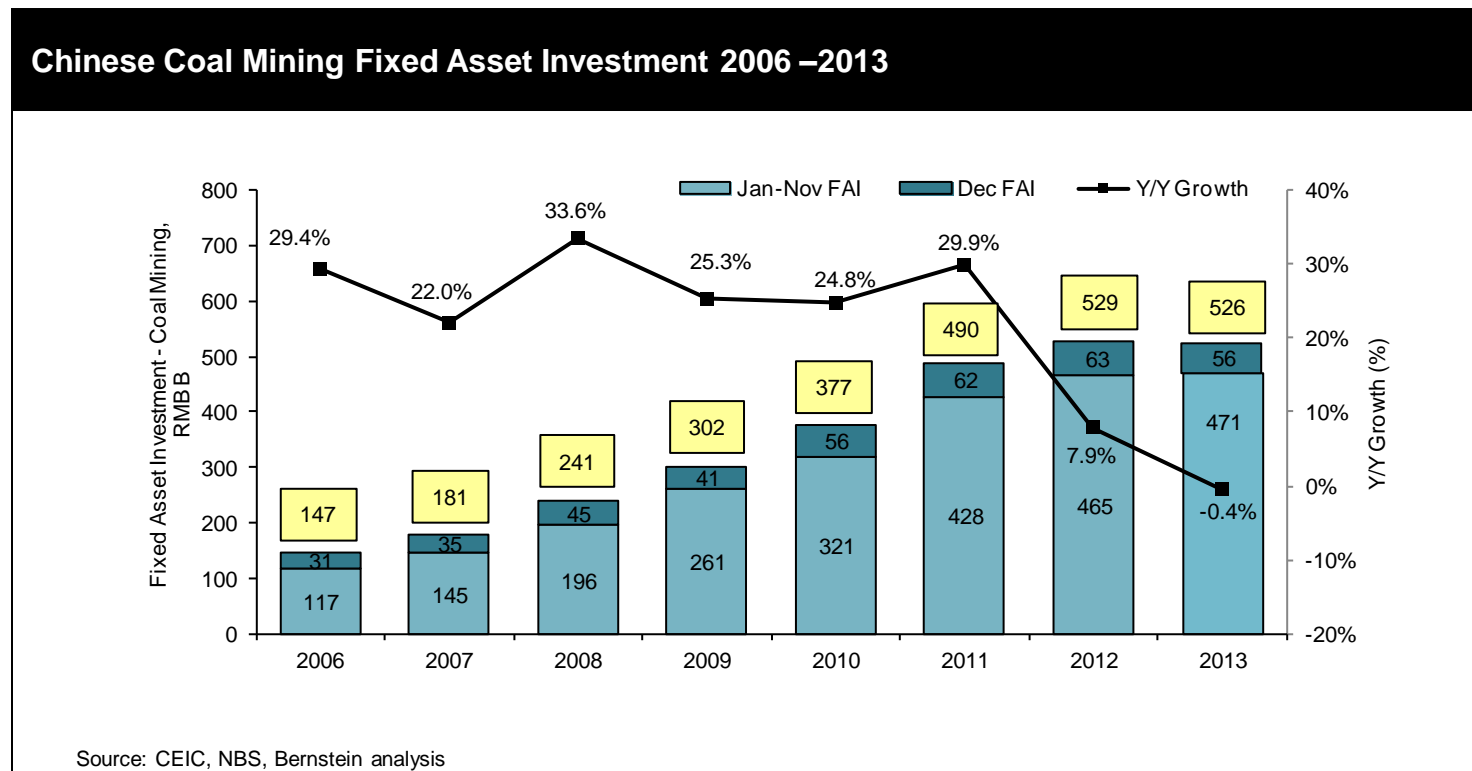
Chinese Coal – No Diamonds, Plenty of Rough

- Coal prices have declined to RMB530/ton. Coal prices have fallen ~37% since November 2011 when the price touched RMB855/ton. **We are in the longest sustained period of price falling since at least 2006 and there are few signs that this trend is likely to change any time soon.**



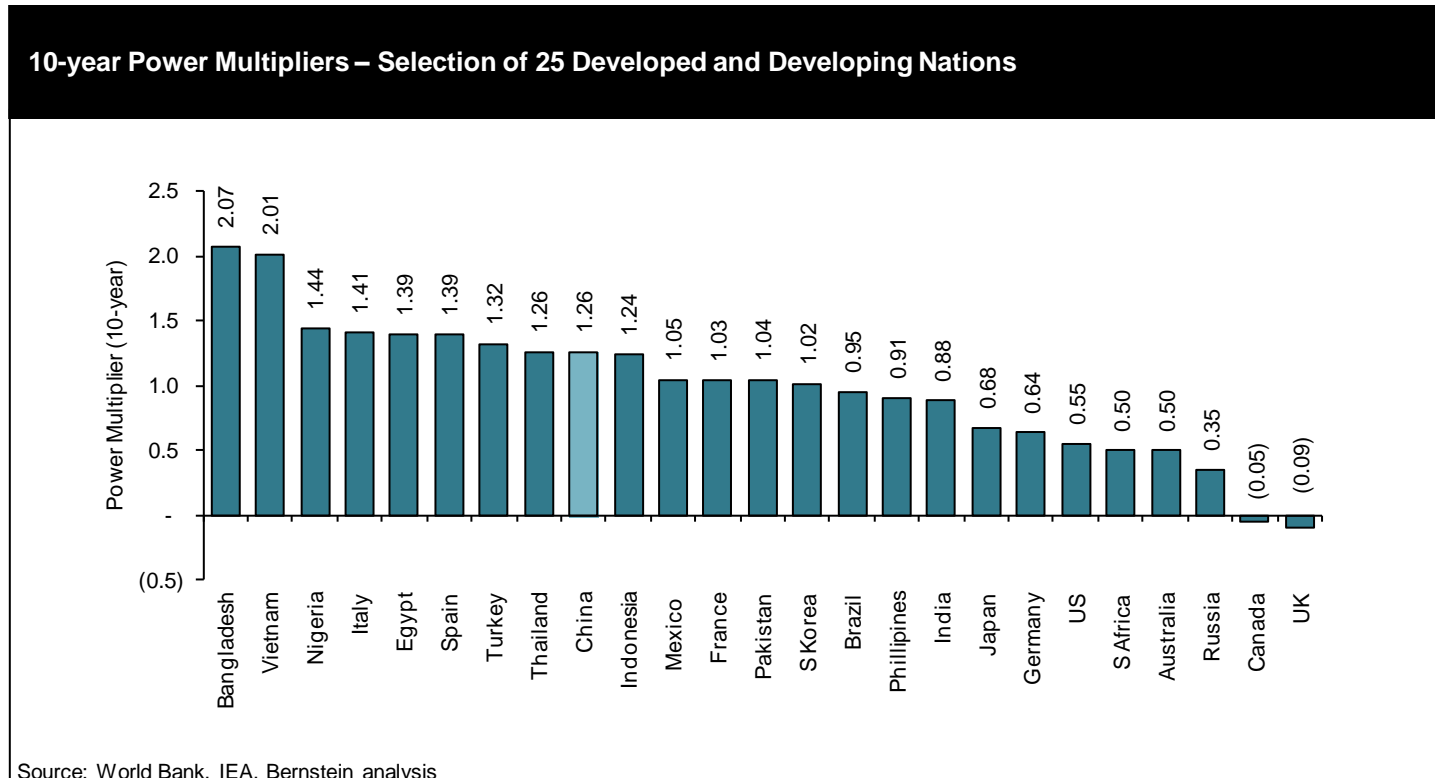
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- **No insurmountable economies of scale.** There are some economies of scale, but – in part as a result of the 2008 Shanxi industry consolidation - there are also multiple scaled operators.
- **No lack of investment.** Investment in the coal mining fixed assets in 2011 was up 30% Y/Y. And in 2010, coal mining fixed asset investment increased 24.8%. But in 2012, it was up just 8%, while in 2013, it decreased 0.4%.



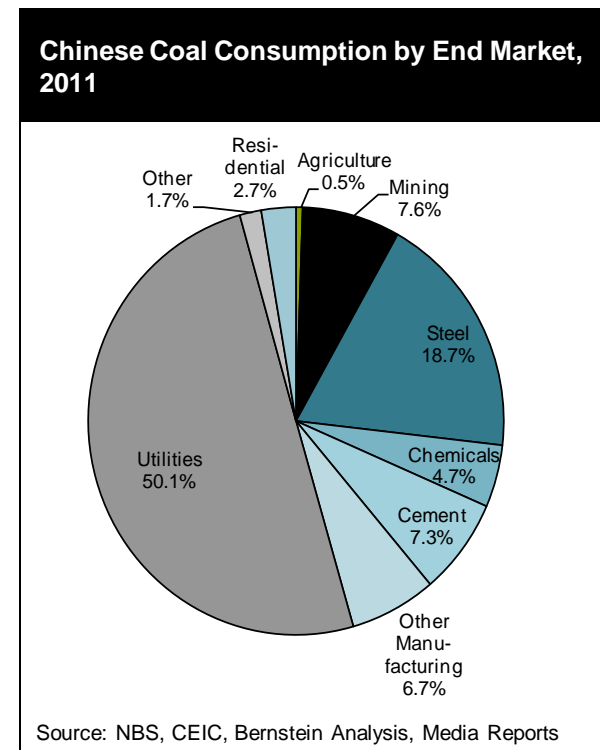
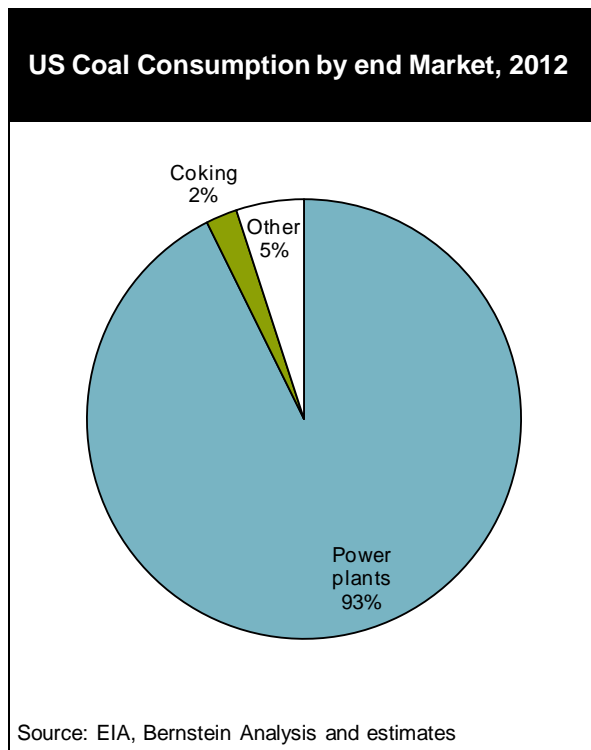
Chinese Coal – Ditching the Bridge & Tunnel Crowd

- Looking at a sample of 25 countries in terms of power intensity over the last ten years, at least five trends are clear.



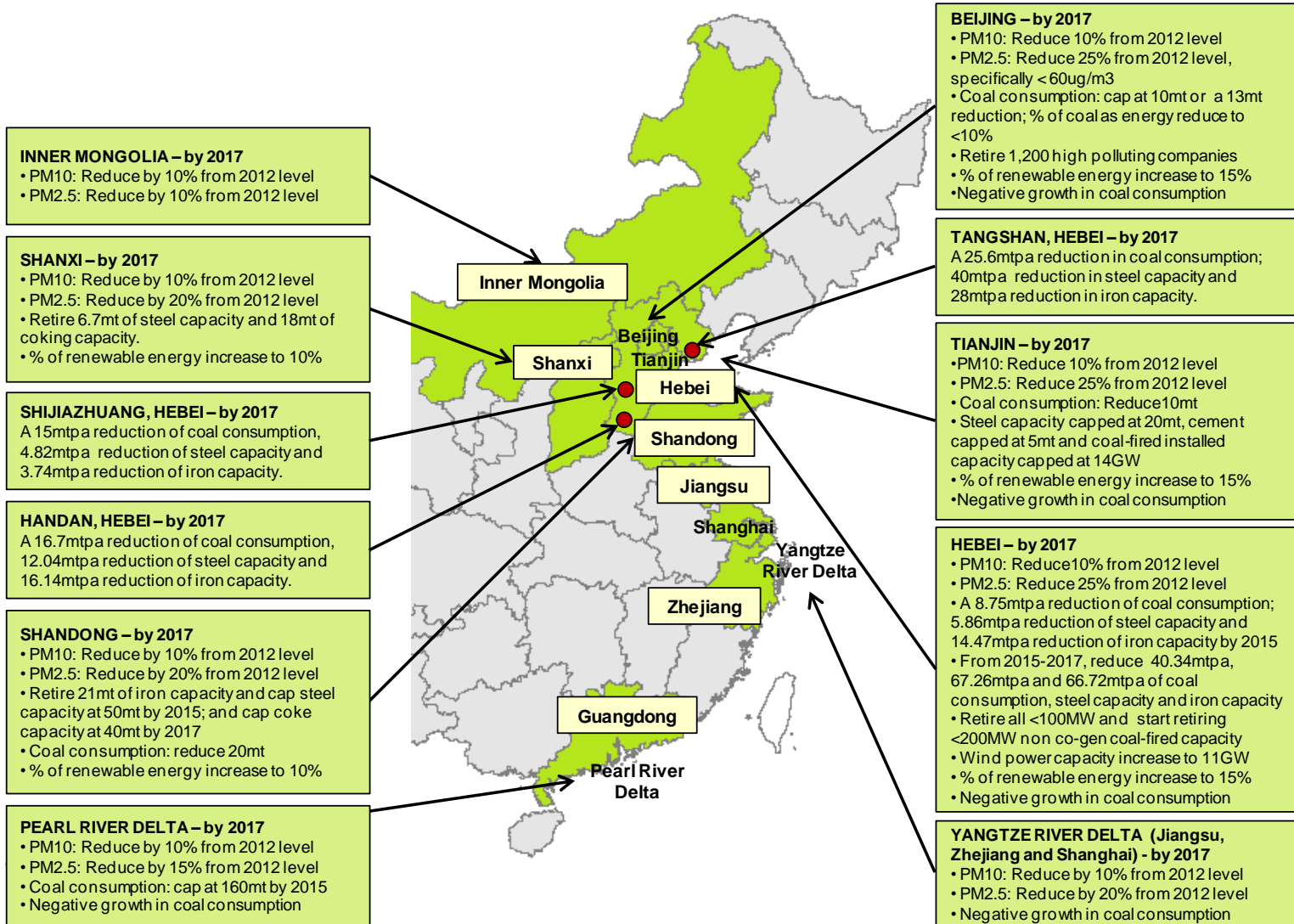
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- **Coal-fired power stations account for roughly half of coal consumption in China.** A slowdown in coal consumption by the power sector means that other coal-consuming sectors will need to step up their demand to satisfy new supply
- **We cannot identify any other important coal consuming industries that are filling this gap.**



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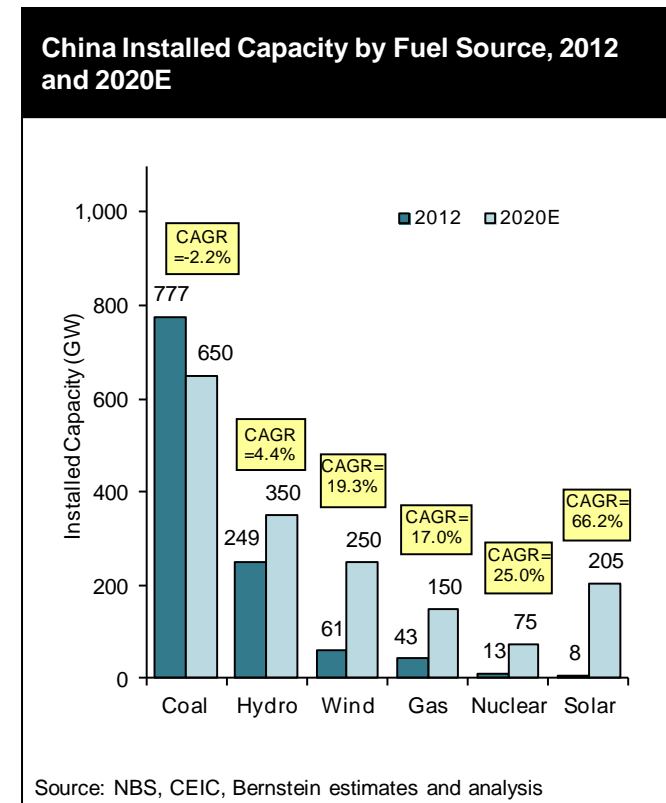
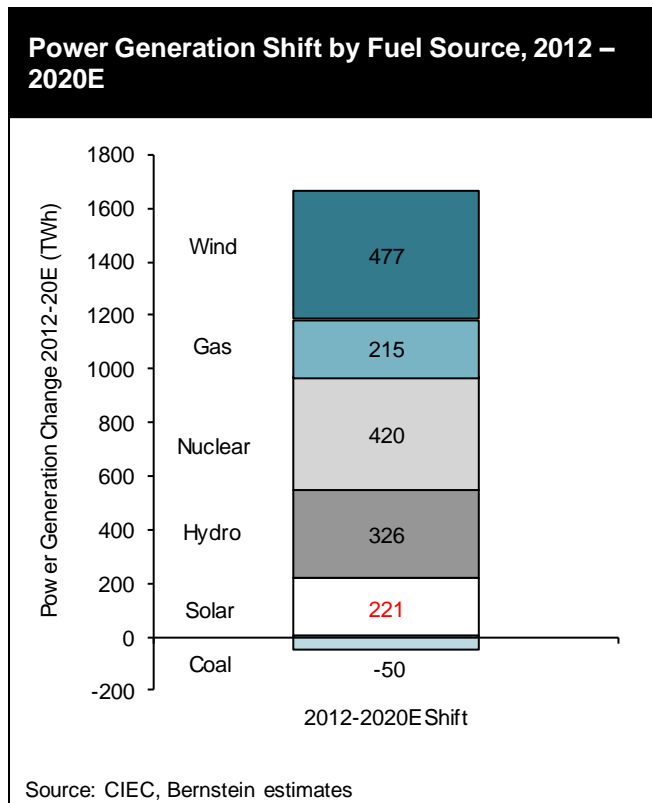
■ 2017 Clean Air target by province announced by the Chinese Government State Council



Source: Wikimedia Commons, Chinese Government State Council, Media reports, Bernstein analysis

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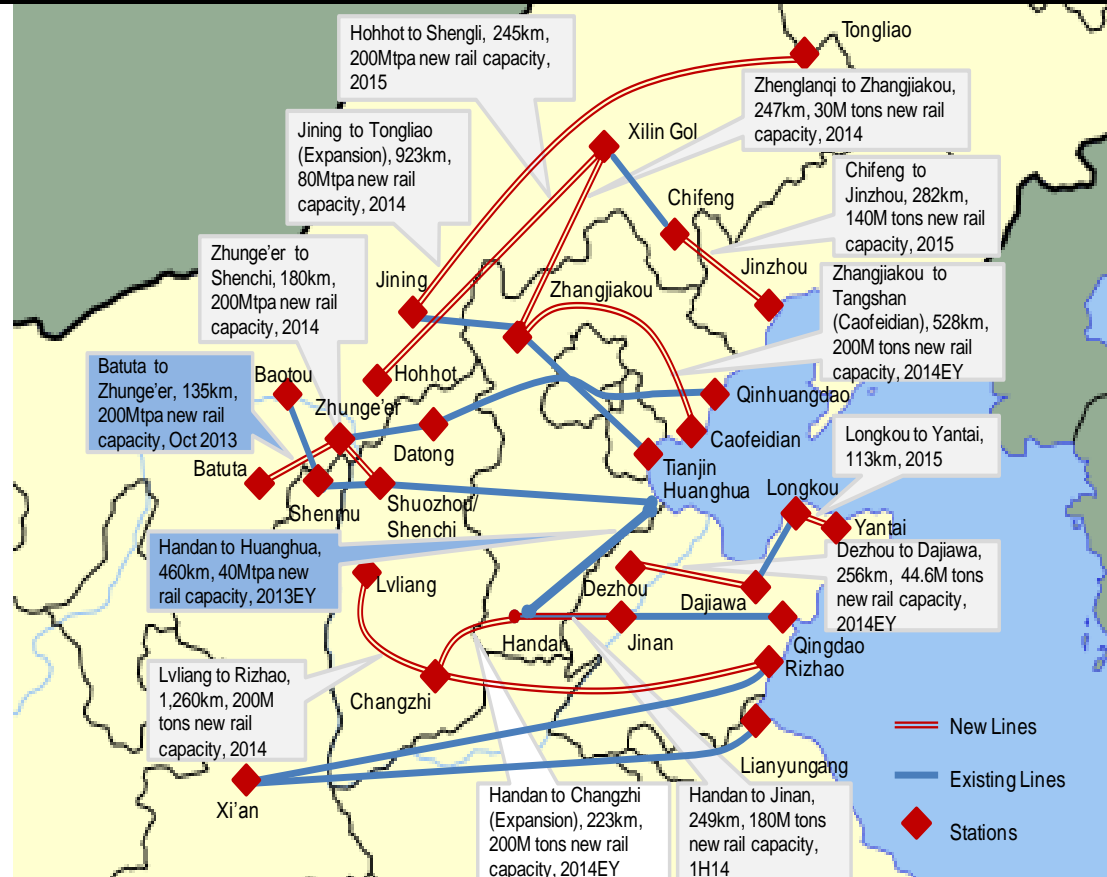
- We believe that coal-fired power generation capacity will fall from ~800GW of installed capacity today to 650GW by the end of the decade as inefficient, small, old power stations are decommissioned. Hydro will increase from ~250GW to 350GW. Gas will go from ~40GW to 150GW. Nuclear will increase from ~13GW to 75GW. Solar and wind will be 200GW and 250GW by the end of the decade, respectively.



Chinese Coal – No Diamonds, Plenty of Rough

Xi-to-Sea Projects – Origin and Destination, Distance, Transport Capacity, Target Completion Date

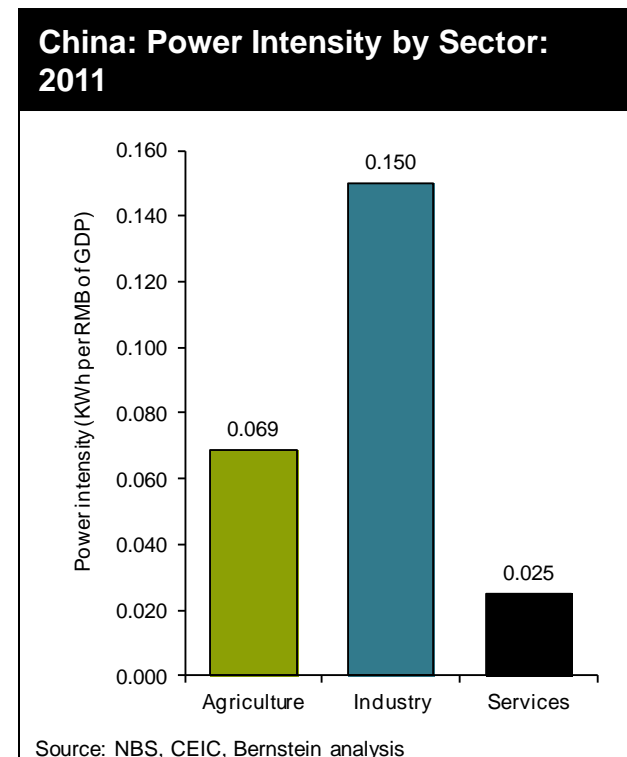
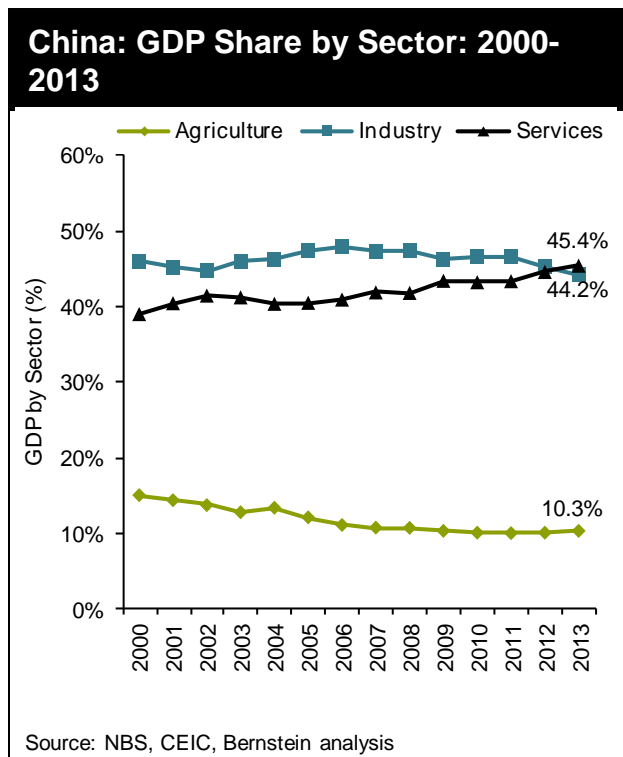
Start Date	Project Location	Distance (km)	Completion Year	Additional Coal Rail Capacity (M tons)
Mar-10	Handan, Hebei to Changzhi, Shanxi (Expansion)	223	2014E	150
Nov-09	Longkou to Yantai, Shandong	113	2014E	9
Apr-10	Dezhou to Dajawa, Shandong	256	2014E	22
Jun-08	Chifeng, Inner Mongolia to Jinzhou, Liaoning	282	2015E	140
Mar-10	Zhangjiakou to Tangshan (Caofeidian), Hebei	528	2014E	200
Dec-09	Lvliang, Shanxi to Rizhao, Shandong	1,260	2014E	200
Aug-10	Jining to Tongliao, Inner Mongolia (Expansion)	923	2014E	43
Subtotal		3,585		764



Source: Company Reports, Chinese Ministry of Railways, Media Reports, Bernstein Analysis and estimates

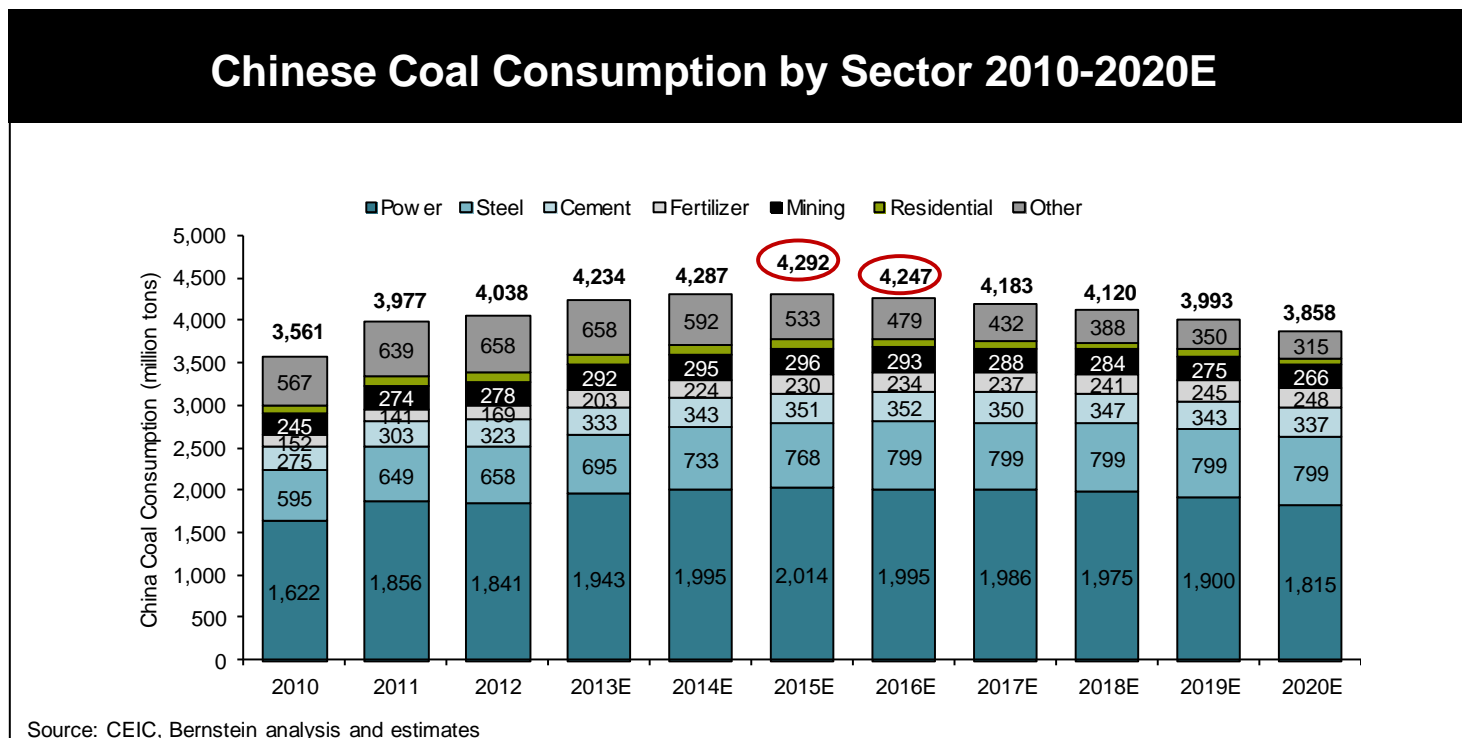
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- **Low-intensity services sector on the rise.** The GDP share shifts in the last decade have been from agriculture (a moderately energy-intensive activity) to services (a low intensity activity) and manufacturing (a high-intensive activity).
- **Tertiary sector set to gain GDP share.** If primary industry share asymptotes at ~10%, GDP share will shift from secondary industry (high power-intensive activities) to the services sector (low power-intensive activities).



Chinese Coal – Basket Full of Biscuits

- From 2016, Chinese coal demand will fall in absolute terms, and that trend will never reverse. There are 5 primary drivers of falling consumption: (i) continuing investment in coal mining and transportation infrastructure; ii) decreasing Chinese power intensity; (iii) increasing power generation capacity from nuclear, gas, hydro and renewables; (iv) falling demand growth for steel, cement and fertilizer and the demise of “inferior” end markets for coal; and (v) the emergence of the environment as a politically sensitive issue in China.



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Disclosure Appendix: Valuation Methodology

- Shenhua, China Coal Energy, Yanzhou: P/FE and P/B multiple on 2015 Earnings/Book Value estimates
- Huaneng, Datang, CR Power: P/FE multiple and P/B multiple. Assume A-shares and H-shares appreciate/depreciate in value by the same %

Sector	Company	Ticker	Rating	Target Price	Recent Price (March 13, 2014)	Average Daily Trading Volume (6 months)		Market Cap (USD B)
						(M Shares)	(USD M)	
Chinese Coal	China Shenhua	1088.HK	U	HK\$15.00	HK\$19.36	17.0	50.7	43.9
	China Coal Energy	1898.HK	U	HK\$2.80	HK\$3.77	44.2	25.8	8.3
	Yanzhou Coal	1171.HK	U	HK\$4.00	HK\$5.01	19.9	18.6	4.2
ADR:YZC		USD5.16		USD6.35	ADR: 0.23	ADR: 2.1		
Chinese Power	Huaneng	902.HK	O	HK\$9.00	HK\$6.21	20.4	19.6	10.9
		ADR:HNP		USD46.15	USD31.51	ADR: 0.04	ADR: 1.4	
	Datang	991.HK	M	HK\$3.20	HK\$2.85	11.9	5.2	7.3
	CR Power	836.HK	M	HK\$20.00	HK\$17.88	5.8	14.0	11.0

Note: The MXAPJ and SPX Indices closed at 458.57 and 1,846.34 respectively on March 13, 2014.

Disclosure Appendix: Risks

There are numerous risks to our investment thesis. In both China and India, our base case forecasts assume continuing rapid economic growth and moderating levels of inflation. Electricity consumption growth in both markets is sensitive to economic growth. In the event that economic conditions deteriorate significantly, this would have a significant negative effect across the group.

In addition, some sector-specific risks are set out below.

Chinese Coal

There are numerous risks to our investment thesis on Shenhua, China Coal Energy and Yanzhou. Some of these risks are set out below.

First, contrary to our expectations, electricity demand growth may continue to grow at its historically high rate, increasing demand for thermal coal.

Second, contrary to our expectations, steel growth may accelerate, increasing demand for coking coal.

Third, coal production and rail transportation capacity may not increase at the rate that we are forecasting over the long term. As a result, coal pricing may not decline in the manner that we are anticipating. Further, in the event that rail transportation capacity expansion fails to materialize, movement of coal resources across internally-owned logistics and shipping assets may benefit diversified coal and generation companies like Shenhua.

Fourth, the companies may decide to alter their investment strategies or enter into new business segments, changing capital expenditures or dividend pay-out rates and dividend growth rates.

Fifth, China may relax its coal export quotas and India may become a more significant importer of coal than we are forecasting, providing a source of additional growth for the coal companies that are not currently included within our estimates.

Sixth, the global economy may accelerate, leading to higher than anticipated demand for Chinese manufactured goods, increasing demand for Chinese coal and pushing up the price of seaborne coal.

Seventh, the Chinese government may choose to stimulate the economy, resulting in an increase in demand for steel, power, cement and – ultimately- thermal and coking coal.

Chinese Power

There are numerous risks to our investment thesis on Datang, Huaneng and China Resources Power. Some of these risks are set out below.

First, contrary to our expectations, electricity demand growth may continue to grow at its historically high rate, raising utilization rates for all Chinese generation companies.

Second, coal production and rail transportation capacity may not increase at the rate that we are forecasting over the long term. As a result, coal pricing may not decline in the manner that we are anticipating and utilities with coal mining assets may benefit from their internal coal supply to a greater extent than we expect. Further, in the event that rail transportation capacity expansion fails to materialize, movement of coal resources across internally-owned logistics and shipping assets will benefit diversified generation companies.

Third, the companies may decide to alter their investment strategies or enter into new business segments, changing capital expenditures or dividend pay-out rates and dividend growth rates.

Fourth, the tariff process through which the NDRC stipulates the price that power generation plants in China are to receive for electricity generation may be altered. Such changes are difficult to predict. Market-based pricing mechanisms have been discussed and trialed in China on occasion over the last decade. The introduction of such a system would profoundly alter our investment conclusions.

Fifth, given that the electricity generation business in China is highly regulated, changes to regulations – and, in particular, changes to the electricity tariffs - may have a dramatic impact on valuation. Such changes are, almost by definition, difficult to predict but could rapidly improve profitability with little warning.

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