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Why I Remain a Uranium Bull

Murdock Capital Partners, NYC Q2 2015



A Six -Year Rearview

- January 2009 : Bullish on Uranium
- August 2010 : The New Green Metal
- November 2010 : The Next Big Thing
- Tsunami / Fukushima : U_3O_8 & TSXV Crash
- June 2015 : Why I Remain a Uranium Bull



U₃O₈ Supply & Demand

- 2014 Demand : 172 M lbs
- 2014 Mined : 145 M lbs
- Secondary Supplies: 43 M lbs
- 2014: 16 M lb Surplus / 2010 : 39 M lb Deficit
- Mine, Conversion, & Enrichment Supplies
- US Gov't Stockpile Sales : 7 M lbs / yr



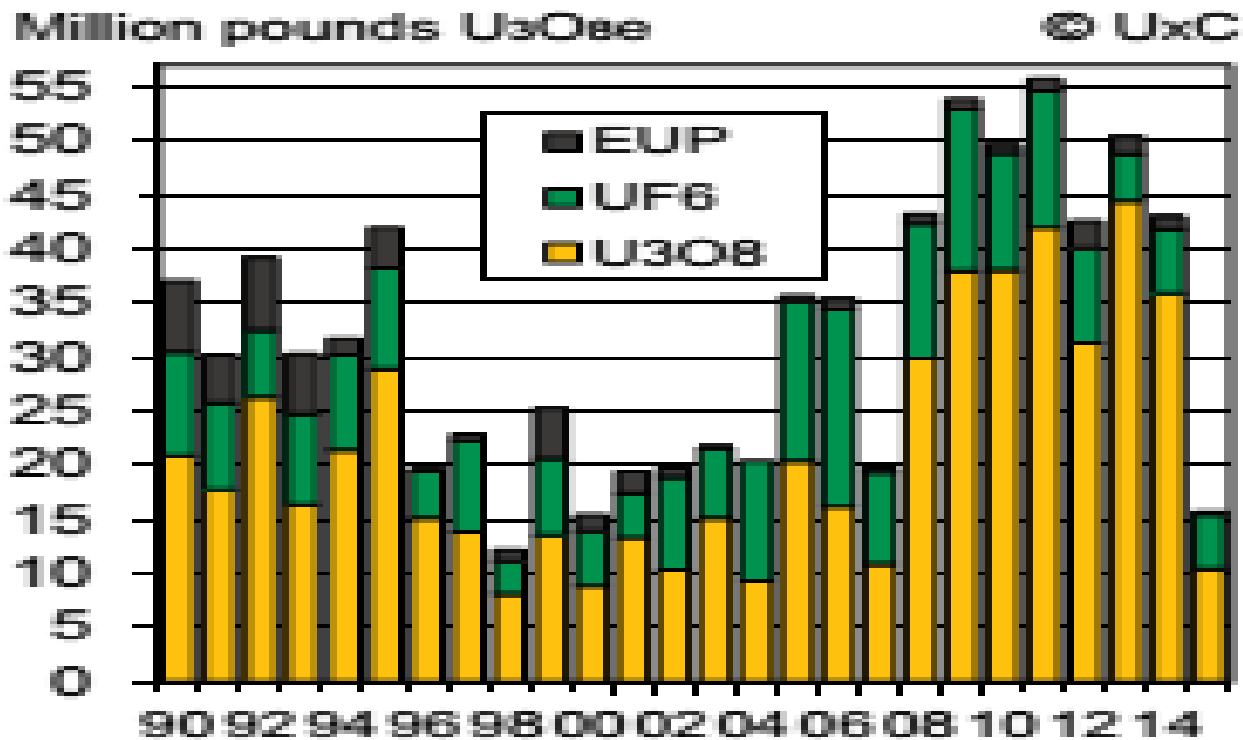
U₃O₈ Sales

- Long - Term Contracts 70 - 85 %
- Short - Term Trades 15 - 30%
- Off - take Contract Price \$ 49 / lb
- Spot Market Price \$ 37 / lb



Uranium Spot Sales

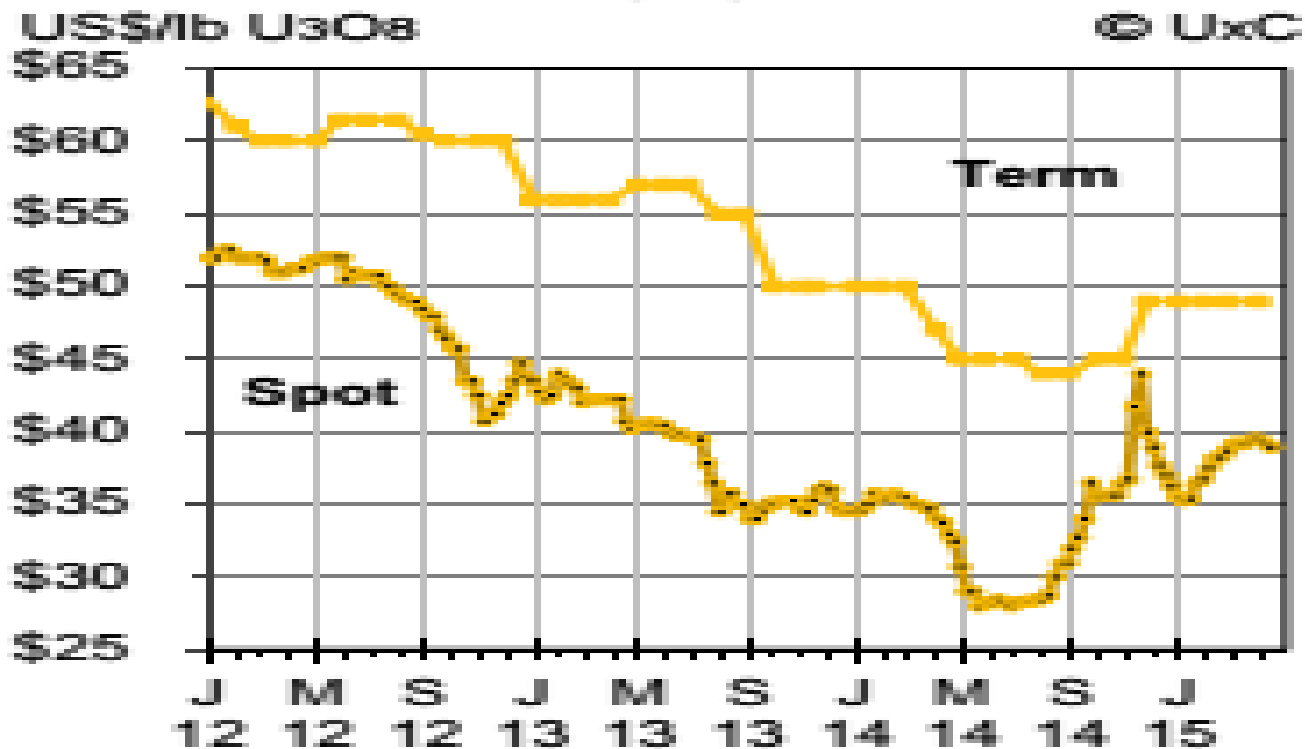
Annual Spot Uranium Volumes





Ux Consulting Spot & Term Prices

Ux U₃O₈ Prices





Uranium Prices & Supply - Demand Data

- My Sources : Ux Consulting & WNA
- Spot Price Drives the Stock Market
- Year Ago = \$ 28 / lb ; Now = \$37 / lb ; + 30 %
- Uranium Equities Have Lagged Behind



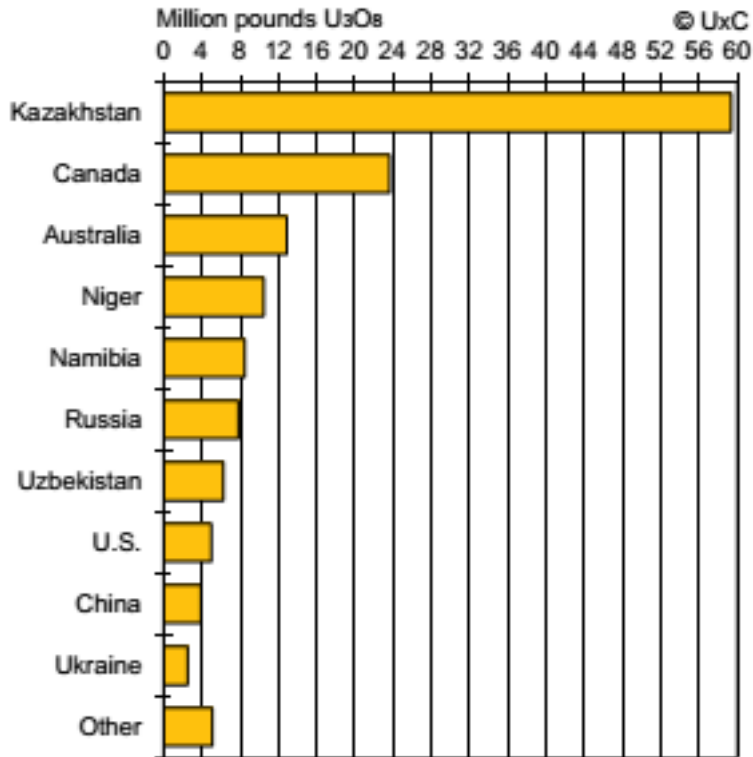
Uranium Spot Price Increases

- Buyers > Sellers
- Traders & Speculators
- Chinese Stockpiling / Japanese Selling ?
- Japanese Restarts ?
- Supply Delays, Disruptions, Destruction
- Russia - Ukraine Situation

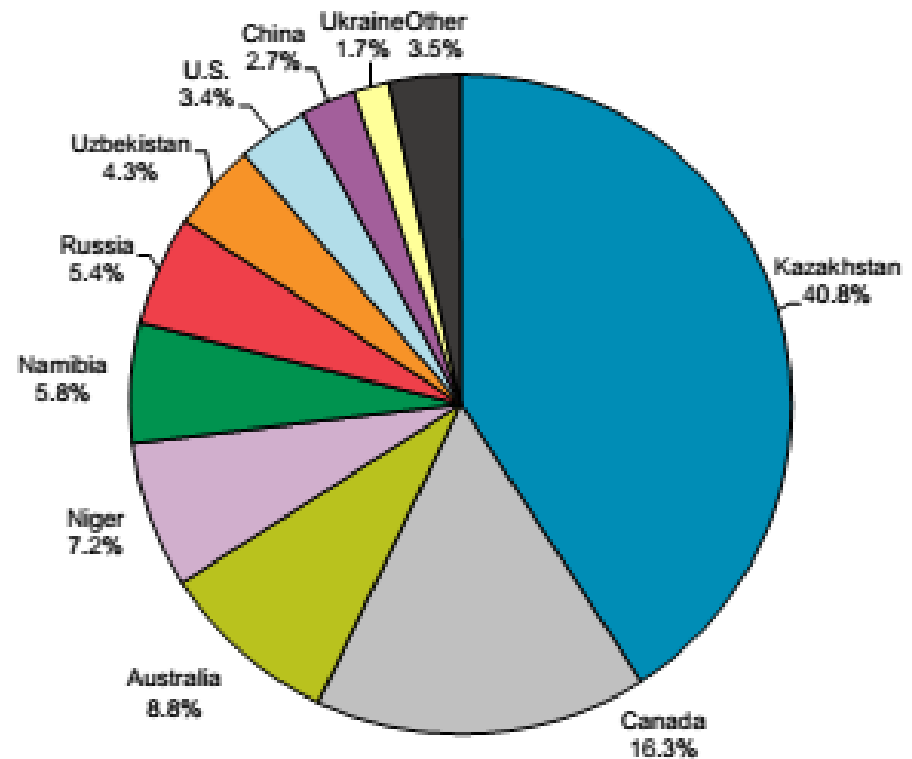


2014 Uranium Mine Production

2014 Top 10 Uranium Producing Countries



2014 Production Shares by Country





Uranium: Story Remains the Same

- Nuclear Energy = 14% of Electricity Worldwide
- USA = 20 % of Electricity
- 437 Nuclear Power Plants Operable
- 66 Under Construction / 172 Ordered or Planned
- Increased Demand for Yellowcake
- 4% Growth Projected Year over Year



New Production

- Conventional Underground = High Cost Mines
- Higher Prices Required (\$ 65 - 80 per lb)
- Low Cost Mines Needed
- ISR (45 %) & Open-Pit Heap Leach Mines
- Breakeven at Current Spot Prices



Uranium Stocks

- H2 2005 - H1 2007 Boom
- H2 2007 - 2008 Bust
- 2009 - H1 2010 Flat & Out of Favor
- H2 2010 - Q2 2011 Next Big Thing
- What is the Future?



Where is U_3O_8 Going to Come From?

- Sovereign Stockpiles Dwindling
- Major Projects Shelved
- Russians 2013 - 2022 @ 50% of 1999 - 2013
- Recycling / Reprocessing Increasing
- New Mines Must Come On Stream



New Uranium Mines

Kazakhstan ISR: Is Production Sustainable ?

Athabasca Basin UG: High-Cost / Long Lead Times

Niger UG: World - Class ; Geopolitical Situation

Namibia Open - Pit: Very Low - Grade / Water ?

Western USA : ISR Small ; UG Long Lead Times

Australia Open - Pit : Aboriginals / Politics



Uncertainty of Western World Mine Supply

Unfriendly, Corrupt & / Or Unstable Governments

- 6 of 10 Top Producers: 62 % of 2014 Production
- Kazakhstan # 1 = 41 %
- Others: Niger, Russia, Uzbek, Ukraine, China
- USA : 51 M lbs Used / 5 M lbs Produced



USA Future Production

- Wyoming, S. Texas, S. Dakota ISR
- Arizona, Utah, Colorado UG
- Gas Hills - Sheep Mountain, WY
- Grants Mineral Belt UG & ISR (?), NM



Palangana, South Texas



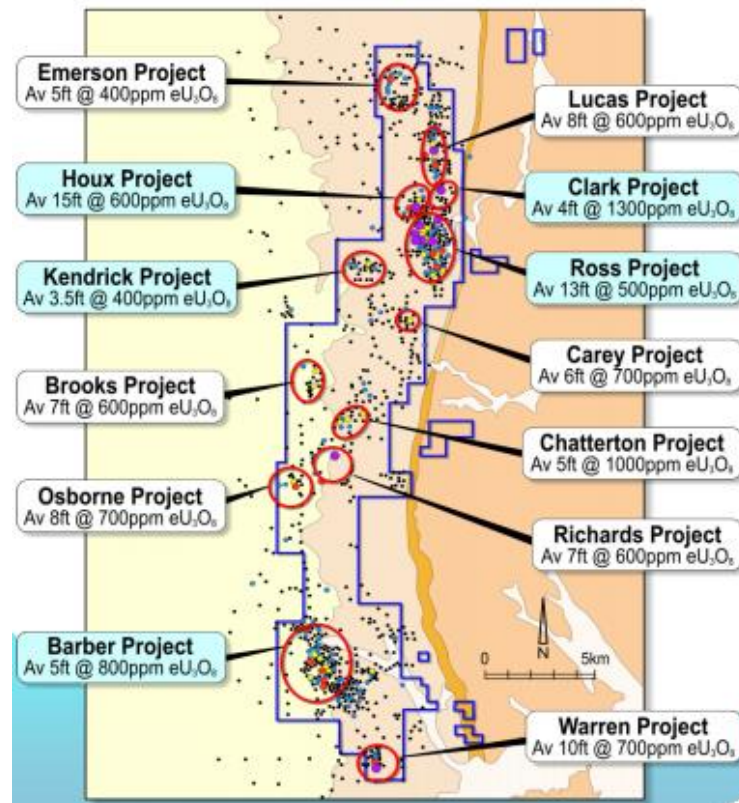


Hobson ISR Plant, South Texas





Lance Project, Wyoming





White Mesa Mill, Utah





Pinenut, Arizona Strip Breccia Pipe





Nichols Ranch, Wyoming





Gas Hills, Wyoming Roll Front





Roca Honda, New Mexico Monitor Well Drilling Fall 2007





Why Do I Remain a Uranium Bull ?

- Supply & Demand Fundamentals
- 20 - 30 % Yearly Mine Supply Deficit
- 66 Reactors under Construction
- 172 Ordered - Planned & 312 Proposed
- Contrarian Speculating / Investing Philosophy



Wild Cards in the Uranium Game

- USA Department of Energy Spot Sales
- Bomb Dismantling : On Hold
- Japanese Restarts
- Recycling & Reprocessing
- Fast Breeders, SMRs, & Thorium = 10 - 20 Years
- Another Black Swan Event



Beware of Frogs Masquerading as Princes





Monday Morning Musings from Mickey the Mercenary Geologist





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