# Round 1: Vs. Missouri BR

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### 1ac Plan

#### The United States Federal Government should reduce restrictions on offshore natural gas production in the United States.

### 1ac Manufacturing

#### ADVANTAGE ONE IS MANUFACTURING

#### Gas supply crunch inevitable now

Nelder, 12 [Chris, Smart Planet, February, Everything you know about shale gas is wrong, http://www.smartplanet.com/blog/energy-futurist/everything-you-know-about-shale-gas-is-wrong/341]

But now there’s even more bad news: U.S. gas production appears

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end—like government—we’ll simply get the energy policy we deserve.

#### Natural gas prices will keep increasing despite flat consumption—that impacts sectors throughout the economy

Schwartzel, 13 [Erich Schwartzel, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Expert on Fracking, visited Pappas’ Public Policy Class and was part of a round table discussion that consisted of Barry Rabe, professor at UM and others, really funny too, “U.S. report predicts rising natural gas prices in 2013-14”, <http://www.post-gazette.com/stories/business/news/us-report-predicts-rising-natural-gas-prices-in-2013-14-669602/>]

The average price of natural gas is expected to increase by almost a dollar in

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said suggests greater rig efficiency in extracting more gas from a single location.

#### And, shale gas is physically and economically unsustainable—continued reliance dashes expectations of future supply

Heinberg, 10/22/12 [Richard, He is Senior Fellow-in-Residence of the Institute and is widely regarded as one of the world’s foremost Peak Oil educators, He has authored scores of essays and articles that have appeared in such journals as Nature, The Ecologist, The American Prospect, Public Policy Research, Quarterly Review, Z Magazine, Resurgence, The Futurist, European Business Review, Earth Island Journal, Yes!, Pacific Ecologist, and The Sun; and on web sites such as Alternet.org, EnergyBulletin.net, TheOilDrum.com, ProjectCensored.com, and Counterpunch.com.¶ He has appeared in many film and television documentaries, including Leonardo DiCaprio’s 11th Hour, is a recipient of the M. King Hubbert Award for Excellence in Energy Education, and in 2012 was appointed to His Majesty the King of Bhutan's International Expert Working Group for the New Development Paradigm initiative, “Gas Bubble Leaking, About to Burst”, <http://www.postcarbon.org/blog-post/1262435-gas-bubble-leaking-about-to-burst>]

In those early days almost no one wanted to hear about problems with the shale

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millions of cars and trucks to run on gas, now ring hollow.

#### And, that ensures catastrophic price spikes

Maize, 12/1/12 [“Is Shale Gas Shallow or the Real Deal?”, Kennedy, Veteran Journalist¶ Kennedy Maize has spent the past 40 years working as a journalist, analyst, and manager in the private sector and federal government, with over 35 years of that focused on energy and environmental topics. Over that time, he has seen myriad examples of how group think, policy fads, and bad judgment can result in colossal failures, particularly in the field of atomic energy. Maize has seen, up close and personal, the demise of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, the arrival of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the birth of the U.S. Department of Energy, the failures of nuclear flight, the hubris of atomic earthmoving, the boom and bust uranium market, the birth and death of breeder reactors, and the 60-year wandering in the wilderness of nuclear waste policy. After graduating from Penn State and graduate study at the University of Maryland, Kennedy Maize worked for newspapers in Pennsylvania, New York, and Virginia and the Associated Press in Baltimore. He then spent five years in management at the National Institute of Health and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission before taking a job covering energy, environment, and business topics for Editorial Research Reports, a division of Congressional Quarterly, where his work appeared in over 1,000 daily newspapers in the U.S. during the mid-to-late 1970s. Maize became a staff writer and editor at The Energy Daily, a preeminent energy trade paper, on March 28, 1979, the day the Three Mile Island accident began outside Harrisburg, Pa. Over more than 10 years at The Energy Daily, he covered the nuclear and coal industries, including stories involving the Clinch River Breeder Reactor, the U.S. Synthetic Fuels Corp., the Powder River Basin coal leasing scandal, and the Chernobyl explosion. In 1993, he founded The Electricity Daily, where he was the editor for 14 years, writing about changes in the electricity business, the rise and fall of Enron, the stagnation of the nuclear power business, and the arrival of market forces in the utility field. Since 2006, he has been an editor at POWER magazine, and the founder of MANAGING POWER magazine, where he has written about the Fukushima catastrophe, the emergence of shale gas and decline of coal, and the often ill-advised push for renewable electricity technologies¶ http://www.powermag.com/gas/Is-Shale-Gas-Shallow-or-the-Real-Deal\_5188.html]

In an interview with POWER, Berman argued that the boom in drilling shale gas

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be gas-coal switching if prices do go much higher than now.”

#### And, demand increases make a shock inevitable – corresponding supply key

Moors, 12/14/12 [Dr. Kent, Dr. Kent

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deputy director of the Iraq Reconstruction Management Office (IRMO) in Baghdad,

http://moneymorning.com/2012/12/14/2013-natural-gas-forecast-six-bullish-reasons-why-now-is-the-time-to-buy/\]

A rise on the supply side would generally reduce prices, especially if the number

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added demand will eliminate three times the current total gas in storage nationwide.¶

#### And, supply expansion locks in a competitive advantage

Pirog and Ratner, 12 [November, Congressional Research Service, Natural Gas in the U.S. Economy: Opportunities for Growth Robert Pirog Specialist in Energy Economics Michael Ratner Specialist in Energy Policy, http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R42814.pdf]

Expanded supply, coupled with low natural gas prices, has the potential to contribute

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, would need to be changed to a more market-oriented method.

#### The impact is economic collapse—natural gas maintains growth

Carey, 12/13/12 [Julie M, Julie M. Carey is an energy economist with Navigant Economics who provides consulting and testifying services Navigant’s unconventional oil and gas offerings include advisory services for strategic business decision analysis, construction risk management, economic and antitrust analyses, investment banking and restructuring advisory services, and expert services for disputes and investigations, “How Unconventional Oil And Gas Is Supercharging The U.S. Economy”, http://www.forbes.com/sites/energysource/2012/12/13/how-unconventional-oil-and-gas-is-transforming-the-u-s-economy/]

It’s an exciting time to be in the energy industry in America. The impact

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infrastructure build out and related opportunities (including both direct and indirect jobs).

#### Robust domestic gas production is key to sustain manufacturing

Duesterberg, 12 [Tom is Executive Director of the Manufacturing and Society in the

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from Indiana University, “Impact of the Energy Boom on US Manufacturing”,

<http://www.aspeninstitute.org/about/blog/impact-energy-boom-us-manufacturing>]

The manufacturing sector has been leading the US economic recovery since the end of the

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renewable energy—manufacturing uses 90 percent more renewables than the transportation sector.

#### Strong manufacturing is the only way to make the economy resilient

Ettlinger, 11 [Michael, Vice President for Economic Policy at the Center for¶ American Progress Prior to joining the Center, he spent six years at the Economic¶ Policy Institute directing the Economic Analysis and Research Network.¶ Previously, he was tax policy director for Citizens for Tax Justice and the Institute¶ on Taxation and Economic Policy for 11 years. He has also served on the staff of¶ the New York State Assembly. “The Importance and Promise¶ of American Manufacturing Why It Matters if We Make It in America and Where We Stand Today”, http://www.americanprogress.org/wp-content/uploads/issues/2011/04/pdf/manufacturing.pdf]

Manufacturing is critically important to the American economy. For generations,¶ the strength of

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to everything from¶ exchange rate fluctuations to trade embargoes to natural disasters.

#### Manufacturing loss cascades throughout the economy

Pisano and Shih, 12 [September, Producing Prosperity: Why America Needs a Manufacturing Renaissance [Kindle Edition], Harry E. Figgie Professor of Business Administration at the Harvard Business School. He has been on the Harvard faculty for 23 years, Professor of Management Practice. He joined the Technology and Operations Management Unit in January 2007, p. amazon kindle]

The rough and tumble of international competition means we should expect industries to come and

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the dominant source of the lithium ion battery cells used in electric vehicles.

#### The plan independently acts as an immediate stimulus

Mason, 09 [The Economic Contribution of Increased Offshore Oil Exploration and Production to Regional and National Economies by J oseph R. Mason\*, Hermann Moyse Jr./Louisiana Bankers Association Endowed Chair of Banking, Louisiana State University, E. J. Ourso College of Business, <http://www.americanenergyalliance.org/images/aea_offshore_updated_final.pdf>]

The estimates suggest that permanently lifting the OCS moratoria would produce broad economic benefits.

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a stimulus are particularly attractive in the face of a severe economic downturn.

#### Nuclear war

Harris and Burrows, 9 – \*counselor in the National Intelligence Council, the principal drafter of Global Trends 2025, \*\*member of the NIC’s Long Range Analysis Unit “Revisiting the Future: Geopolitical Effects of the Financial Crisis”, Washington Quarterly, http://www.twq.com/09april/docs/09apr\_burrows.pdf)

Increased Potential for Global Conflict

Of course, the report encompasses more than economics and indeed believes the future is

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constantly volatile economic environment as they would be if change would be steadier.

In surveying those risks, the report stressed the likelihood that terrorism and nonproliferation will

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the absence of economic outlets that would become narrower in an economic downturn.

The most dangerous casualty of any economically-induced drawdown of U.S.

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more focus on preemption rather than defense, potentially leading to escalating crises.

Types of conflict that the world continues to experience, such as over resources,

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within and between states in a more dog-eat-dog world.

#### Growth solves war—strong studies

Royal 10 – Jedediah Royal, Director of Cooperative Threat Reduction at the U.S. Department of Defense, 2010, “Economic Integration, Economic Signaling and the Problem of Economic Crises,” in Economics of War and Peace: Economic, Legal and Political Perspectives, ed. Goldsmith and Brauer, p. 213-214

Less intuitive is how periods of economic decline may increase the likelihood of external conflict

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not featured prominently in the economic-security debate and deserves more attention.

#### Sustained low prices key to ethylene expansion

Bullis, 1/9/13 [Kevin, MIT Technology Review, “Shale Gas Will Fuel a U.S. Manufacturing Boom”, http://www.technologyreview.com/news/509291/shale-gas-will-fuel-a-us-manufacturing-boom/

People predicting a manufacturing renaissance in the United States usually imagine whirring robots or advanced

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S. a far more attractive place for a wide range of industries.

#### And, ethylene shortages coming now – supply increases key

Bloomberg, 11 [“LyondellBasell Sees Ethylene Shortage Developing by 2015”http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-05-12/lyondellbasell-sees-ethylene-shortage-developing-by-2015-1-.html]

 Ethylene demand will rise by at least 70 billion pounds through 2015, driven

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crackers and may partner with others to build more capacity, Gallogly said.

#### Ethylene shortages cause plant infections and resistant disease strains

NOW, 03 [The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) funds thousands of top researchers at universities and institutes and steers the course of Dutch science by means of subsidies and research programmes, The hormone ethylene is necessary for plant resistance, http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:zg5itViwplMJ:www.nwo.nl/nwohome.nsf/pages/NWOP\_5KRHZC+&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us&client=firefox-a]

“Dutch phytopathologists have shown that ethylene is vital for the protection of plants against

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to play a key role in activating the resistance mechanism against infectious microorganisms.

#### That collapses ag and independently risks extinction

Eigenbrode, 94 [Education¶ Cornell University, Ithaca, New York Ph.D., Entomology, 1990 MS, Natural Resources, 1986 BS, Neurobiology and Behavior, 1970¶ Employment¶ Assistant Professor of Entomology/Chemical Ecology, Department of Plant, Soil and Entomological Sciences, University of Idaho, Moscow (1995-present)¶ Host Plant Resistance and Conservation of Genetic Diversity, http://ipmworld.umn.edu/chapters/eigenbr.htm]

The Urgency of Global Genetic Conservation¶ The world's biota are under siege. A

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needs depends on access by agricultural scientists to plentiful sources of HPR genes.¶

#### Domestic ag collapse risks extinction

**Lugar 4** – U.S. Senator (Richard, http://www.unep.org/OurPlanet/imgversn/143/lugar.html)

In a world confronted by global terrorism, turmoil in the Middle East, burgeoning

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that contribute to global instability and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

With the world population expected to grow from 6 billion people today to 9 billion

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that the growing world population will need vastly more basic food to eat.

Complicating a solution to this problem is a dynamic that must be better understood in

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we will have to produce an annual average of 25 tonnes per hectare.

### 1ac Internationalism

#### ADVANTAGE TWO IS INTERNATIONALISM

#### Domestic supply alters the geopolitical landscape – favorable balance of power

Gjelten, 12 [Tom Gjelten is a correspondent for NPR, The Dash for Gas: The Golden Age of an Energy Game-Changer, January/February, http://www.worldaffairsjournal.org/article/dash-gas-golden-age-energy-game-changer]

Desperate for signs of cooperation from North Korea? Check out reports that Kim Jong

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and determine whether it imposes any risks to drinking water or human health.¶

#### And, domestic supply allows successful pursuit of leadership

Mead, 12 [7/15/12, Walter Russell, Professor of Foreign Affairs and Humanities at Bard College, Editor at the American Interest, “Energy Revolution 2: A Post Post-American Post,” American Interest, http://blogs.the-american-interest.com/wrm/2012/07/15/energy-revolution-2-a-post-post-american-post/]

Forget peak oil; forget the Middle East. The energy revolution of the 21st

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the kind of thing investors look for: high growth in safe places.¶

And, it promotes global growth, and democratic interdependence,

Mead, 12 [Walter Russell, Professor of Foreign Affairs and Humanities at Bard College, Editor at the American Interest “Energy Revolution 3: The New American Century”, http://blogs.the-american-interest.com/wrm/2012/07/18/energy-revolution-3-the-new-american-century/]

Get ready for an American century: that appears to be the main consequence of

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economic growth, increasing global acceptance of liberal capitalism as living standards rise.

#### And, internationalism strengthens problem solving and prevents great power war

Deudney and Ikenberry 2012 [November, Democratic¶ Internationalism¶ An American Grand Strategy for a Post-exceptionalist Era, Dandiel, American political scientist and Associate Professor of Political Science at Johns Hopkins University, AND John, Albert G. Milbank Professor of Politics and International Affairs at Princeton University in the Department of Politics, p. Council on Foreign Relations PDF]

 In the 250 years since its founding, the United States has been both

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the most promising approach to addressing pressing domestic and global¶ problems alike.¶

#### That accesses escalation of every transnational threat

**Ikenberry, 11** [Spring, A World of Our Making G. John Ikenberry is the Albert G. Milbank Professor of Politics and International Affairs at Princeton, http://www.democracyjournal.org/20/a-world-of-our-making.php?page=all]

Grand Strategy as Liberal Order Building American dominance of the global system will eventually yield

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liberal order building, it can begin the process of gaining it back.

### 1ac Solvency

#### Offshore gas is abundant

Luthi, 11/9/12 [Luthi is the president of the National Ocean Industry Association, representing more than 275 companies engaged in all aspects of the exploration and production of both traditional and renewable energy resources on the nation’s outer continental shelf, “Let's find agreement on new offshore access”, http://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/energy-a-environment/267089-lets-find-agreement-on-new-offshore-access]

Now that the election is (finally) behind us, President Obama has an

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is waiting for us there, because we’re not allowed to go look.

#### And, the plan creates certainty for offshore production—balances supply

Griles 3 [Lisa, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Interior, “Energy Production on Federal Lands,” Hearing before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate]

Mr. GRILES. America’s public lands have an abundant opportunity for exploration and development

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from and buy, so they can have certainty about where to go.

#### And, restrictions key – alters market dynamics

Medlock, 8 [Medlock is a fellow in Energy Studies at Rice University's James A Baker III Institute for Public Policy and an adjunct assistant professor in the [Economics Department](http://www.chron.com/?controllerName=search&action=search&channel=opinion%2Foutlook&search=1&inlineLink=1&query=%22Economics+Department%22) at Rice, “Open outer continental shelf”, http://www.chron.com/opinion/outlook/article/Open-outer-continental-shelf-1597898.php]

A confluence of factors is responsible for the recent price run-up at the

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the United States and lessen the influence of any future gas producers' cartel.

#### And, that sustains low prices and ensures adequate supply

Hastings, 12 [House Representative Doc, Republican Washington, President Obama's offshore drilling plan must be replaced, http://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/energy-a-environment/239529-president-obamas-offshore-drilling-plan-must-be-replaced]

Though President Obama uses lofty rhetoric to claim support for American oil and natural gas

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or support using American energy to create American jobs and strengthen America’s economy.

#### Only offshore development can keep domestic prices down

Pirog, 12 [Robert Pirog Specialist in Energy Economics CRS, http://assets.opencrs.com/rpts/R40645\_20120210.pdf]

Natural gas markets differ from the oil market in that they are not global,

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less competitive in a market environment dominated¶ by onshore shale gas development.

#### Nearly 100 new projects are capable of development

Paul Hillegeist et al (President and COO at Quest Offshore Resources, Inc, Sean Shafer, Project Director, Andrew Jackson, Project Manager, Leslie Cook , Senior Research Consultant) December 2011 “The State of the Offshore U.S. Oil and Gas Industry” http://energytomorrow.org/images/uploads/Quest\_2011\_December\_29\_Final.pdf

If drilling permits going forward were to be issued at pre‐moratorium rates,

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to the nation in terms of energy security, employment and government revenue.

#### OCS doubles our capacity

Baker Institute, ‘8 (Baker Institute for Public Policy, Rice University, Baker Institute Policy Report, January 2008, “Natural Gas in North America: Markets and Security,” http://connection.ebscohost.com/c/articles/30064519/study-lift-u-s-drilling-restrictions-avoid-international-lng-cartel)//CC

As might be expected, the lower requirements for LNG under this scenario stem from

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0.10 tcf by 2015 and 0.93 tcf by 2025.

#### Otherwise, restrictions crush predictability and timing of projects

Curry L. Hagerty (Specialist in Energy and Natural Resources Policy at the Congressional Research Service) June 15, 2010 “Outer Continental Shelf Moratoria on Oil and Gas Development” http://crs.ncseonline.org/nle/crsreports/10Jul/R41132.pdf

One legacy of congressional moratoria is their impact on the timing of possible OCS development

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restrictions were defensible in the absence of more permanent alternatives for similar leasing prohibitions

#### **(back to second advantage) And, material capabilities are irrelevant – plan cements cooperative approaches to great power war**

Kromah 9 (Lamii Moivi Kromah, Department of International Relations University of the Witwatersrand, February 2009, “The Institutional Nature of U.S. Hegemony: Post 9/11”, http://wiredspace.wits.ac.za/bitstream/handle/10539/7301/MARR%2009.pdf)

A final major gain to the United States from the benevolent hegemony has perhaps been

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American national security is impossible without a broad measure of international security. 57

#### The plan checks Chinese and Russian revisionism and strengthens diplomacy

Karl, 12 [July 24th New World Coming: America the Energy Superpower, president of the Asia Strategy Initiative, an analysis and advisory firm that has a particular focus on South Asia. He serves on the board of counselors of Young Professionals in Foreign Policy and previously on the Executive Committee of the Southern California chapter of TiE (formerly The Indus Entrepreneurs), the world's largest not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting entrepreneurship. David previously served as director of studies at the Pacific Council on International Policy, in charge of the Council’s think tank focused on foreign policy issues of special resonance to the U.S West Coast, and was project director of the Bi-national Task Force on Enhancing India-U.S. Cooperation in the Global Innovation Economy that was jointly organized by the Pacific Council and the Federation of Indian Chambers & Industry. He received his doctorate in international relations at the University of Southern California, writing his dissertation on the India-Pakistan strategic rivalry, and took his masters degree in international relations from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies http://foreignpolicyblogs.com/2012/07/24/new-world-coming-america-the-energy-superpower/]

The energy boom upends arguments about the inevitability of U.S. strategic decline

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, will also have a major effect on the nation’s foreign policy debates.

## 2 AC Strat:

### 2ac key to econ

#### Manufacturing key to the economy – diverse supply ensures resilience to economic shocks -- it accounts for 12% of GDP and maintains innovation that is a pre requisite to growth - Pisano is a business professor at Harvard and says that offshoring decreases competition and causes cascading industry loss

### A2 Resilient

#### Not resilient in 2013

Steidtmann, 12/13/12 [Commentary from Carl E. Steidtmann, Ph.D., chief economist, Deloitte Services LP, and director of Deloitte Research–Consumer Business, who is nationally recognized for economic forecasting of general economic and consumer trends, retail sales activity and te] chnology, Uncharted Economic Waters for the United States, http://deloitte.wsj.com/cfo/2012/12/13/united-states-uncharted-economic-waters/

### From the performance of the U.S. …off into uncharted

### 2ac topicality restriction

#### We meet---OCS moratorium are restrictions

Hagerty 10 Curry, Specialist in Energy and Natural Resources Policy, “ Outer Continental Shelf Moratoria on Oil and Gas Development” CRS 2010

Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) moratoria provisions, enacted as part of the Department

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signals a shift in policy that may affect other OCS policies as well.

#### C/I – Restrictions make production more difficult or expensive

LVMI 96 Ludwig Von Mises Institute Original Book by Ludwig Von Mises, Austrian Economist in 1940, Evidence is cut from fourth edition copyright Bettina B. Greaves, “Human Action”<http://mises.org/pdf/humanaction/pdf/ha_29.pdf>

Restriction of production means that the government either forbids or makes more difficult or more

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as much as possible. Such interference makes people poorer and less satisfied.

#### Default to reasonability---prevents race to the bottom to arbitrarily limit out the aff and is preferable in restrictions context

MME 12 Mexican Ministry of Economy, “Other Appellant Submission of Mexico”, UNITED STATES – CERTAIN COUNTRY OF ORIGIN LABELLING REQUIREMENTS, March, http://www.economia.gob.mx/files/comunidad\_negocios/comercio\_exterior/solucion\_controversias/EDO.EDO/ORGANIZACION%20MUNDIAL%20DE%20COMERCIO/Participaci%C3%B3n%20de%20M%C3%A9xico%20como%20reclamante/EU\_COOL/20COMUNICACIONDELOTROAPELANTEDEMEXICO.pdf

52. The ordinary meaning of “restrictive” is “imposing restrictions”63

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party claiming the existence of a restriction need not prove actual trade effects.

#### We meet – their evidence is about the PROCESS of extraction – the plan meets that

EIA Glossary No Date http://www.eia.gov/tools/glossary/index.cfm?id=D#dry\_nat\_gas\_prod

Dry natural gas production:  The process of producing consumer-grade natural gas.

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of production. Dry natural gas production equals marketed production less extraction loss.

#### And, drilling is production

CMP No Date (Conservation Measures Partnership, “3 Energy Production & Mining,” *Threats & Actions Taxonomies*, http://www.conservationmeasures.org/initiatives/threats-actions-taxonomies/threats-taxonomy/3-energy-production-mining)

3 Energy Production & Mining

Definition: Threats from production of non-biological resources

Exposition: Various forms of water use (for example, dams for hydro power) could also be put in this class, but these threats seemed more related to other threats that involve alterations to hydrologic regimes. As a result, they should go in 7.2 Dams & Water Management/Use.

3.1 Oil & Gas Drilling

Definition: Exploring for, developing, and producing petroleum and other liquid hydrocarbons

Exposition: Oil and gas pipelines go into 4.2 Utility & Service Lines. Oil spills that occur at the drill site should be placed here; those that come from oil tankers or pipelines should go in 4. Transportation & Service Corridors or in 9.2 Industrial & Military Effluents, depending on your perspective.

Examples:

 oil wells

 deep sea natural gas drilling

3.2 Mining & Quarrying

Definition: Exploring for, developing, and producing minerals and rocks

Exposition: It is a judgment call whether deforestation caused by strip mining should be in this category or in 5.3 Logging & Wood Harvesting – it depends on whether the primary motivation for the deforestation is access to the trees or to the minerals. Sediment or toxic chemical runoff from mining should be placed in 9.2 Industrial & Military Effluents if it is the major threat from a mining operation.

Examples:

 coal strip mines

 alluvial gold panning

 gold mines

 rock quarries

 sand/salt mines

 coral mining

 deep sea nodules

 guano harvesting

 dredging outside of shipping lanes

3.3 Renewable Energy

Definition: Exploring, developing, and producing renewable energy

Exposition: Hydropower should be put in 7.2 Dams & Water Management/Use.

Examples:

 geothermal power production

 solar farms

 wind farms (including birds flying into windmills)

 tidal farms

#### Counter interp–production is the extraction or capture of energy from natural sources

DOCC 8 (Australian Government’s Department of Climate Change, “National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Guidelines,” http://www.climatechange.gov.au/government/initiatives/~/media/publications/greenhouse-report/nger-reporting-guidelines.ashx)

Energy Production

‘Energy production’ is defined in r. 2.23:

Production of energy, in relation to a facility, means any one of the following:

a. the extraction or capture of energy from natural sources for final consumption by or from the operation of the facility or for use other than in operation of the facility; 11

b. the manufacture of energy by the conversion of energy from one form to another form for final consumption by

or from the operation of the facility or for use other than in the operation of the facility.

Energy consumption

‘Energy consumption’ is defined in r. 2.23:

Consumption of energy, in relation to a facility, means the use or disposal of energy from the operation of the

facility including own-use and losses in extraction, production and transmission.

#### Lease restrictions are on natural gas production

NaturalGas.org, no date (NaturalGas.org, “Natural Gas Supply,” http://www.naturalgas.org/business/analysis.asp)
The production of natural gas in the United States …increasing availability of supplies reaching the market.

#### Prefer it

#### Over limiting – production is impossible without first locating a form of energy – limiting US to existing wells, means there are NO natural gas affs because of the offshore moratoria - that causes affs that solely deal with shale, which no restrictions exist on and incentives don’t work given the tech is already economically viable

#### Aff innovation – our interp fosters creativity and discussions of key aspects of natural gas policy

#### Functional limits solve ground explosion – substantial, USFG and production guarantee links – our aff is at the core of the topic

#### Their EIA evidence only defines “dry natural gas”, but not overall gas production– that only applies to gas that is unmarketable

EIA Glossary No Date http://www.eia.gov/tools/glossary/index.cfm?id=D#dry\_nat\_gas\_prod

Dry natural gas:  Natural gas which remains after: 1) the liquefiable hydrocarbon

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14.73 pounds per square inch absolute. Also see [Natural gas.](http://www.eia.gov/tools/glossary/index.cfm#nat_gas)

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#### Framework – the k needs to prove the whole plan is bad – any other interp kils fairness and trivializes effective decision- making skills

#### And, external factors prove the status quo is structurally improving

Goklany 9**—**Worked with federal and state governments, think tanks, and the private sector for over 35 years. Worked with IPCC before its inception as an author, delegate and reviewer. Negotiated UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. Managed the emissions trading program for the EPA. Julian Simon Fellow at the Property and Environment Research Center, visiting fellow at AEI, winner of the Julian Simon Prize and Award. PhD, MS, electrical engineering, MSU. B.Tech in electrical engineering, Indian Institute of Tech. (Indur, “Have increases in population, affluence and technology worsened human and environmental well-being?” 2009, <http://www.ejsd.org/docs/HAVE_INCREASES_IN_POPULATION_AFFLUENCE_AND_TECHNOLOGY_WORSENED_HUMAN_AND_ENVIRONMENTAL_WELL-BEING.pdf>)

Although global population is no longer growing exponentially, it has quadrupled since 1900.

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per capita, and the prevalence of malnutrition (Goklany 2007a, 2007b).

#### The 1ac is an impact turn – the maintenance of democratic institutions, economic integration and free trade decrease the overall propensity for conflict -- the ALT’s abdication of this order causes extinction – that’s Ikenberry and Deudney

#### No impact to the environment

**Boucher 98** (Doug, "Not with a Bang but a Whimper," Science and Society, Fall, http://www.driftline.org/cgi-bin/archive/archive\_msg.cgi?file=spoon-archives/marxism-international.archive/marxism-international\_1998/marxism-international.9802&msgnum=379&start=32091&end=32412)

The political danger of catastrophism is matched by the weakness of its scientific foundation.

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and further investigation often shows that the reasons for collapse were fundamentally political.

#### International shipping makes it inevitable – shifting to domestic production is net better for the environment

Kenneth Medlock III (Fellow in Energy Studies, at the James A. Baker Institute for Public Policy, Adjunct assistant professor in the department of economics at Rice University) July 2008 “THE OCS LEASING MORATORIUM: WHICH WAY FORWARD?” http://www.bakerinstitute.org/publications/EF-WWT-OCSMoratorium-071008.pdf

The most vehement objection to opening the areas currently off-limits in the OCS

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, must be diligently maintained to ensure that the offshore record remain outstanding.

#### Nuke war outweighs structural violence – prioritizing structural violence makes preventing war impossible

Boulding 78 [Ken, is professor of economics and director, Center for Research on Conflict Resolution, University of Michigan, “Future Directions in Conflict and Peace Studies,” The Journal of Conflict Resolution, Vol. 22, No. 2 (Jun., 1978), pp. 342-354]

Galtung is very legitimately interested in problems of world poverty and the failure of development

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, increases with every improvement in technology, either of war or of peacex

#### Perm do both – consumption is inevitable – we reform it

Doran and Barry 6 – worked at all levels in the environment and sustainable development policy arena - at the United Nations, at the Northern Ireland Assembly and Dáil Éireann, and in the Irish NGO sector. PhD--AND-- Reader in Politics, Queen's University School of Politics, International Studies, and Philosophy. PhD Glasgow (Peter and John, Refining Green Political Economy: From Ecological Modernisation to Economic Security and Sufficiency, Analyse & Kritik 28/2006, p. 250–275, http://www.analyse-und-kritik.net/2006-2/AK\_Barry\_Doran\_2006.pdf)

The aim of this article is to offer a draft of a realistic, but

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as a conditioning factor in the pursuit of the economic ‘bottom line’.

#### Anti-management results in mass extinctions

Soule 95 - Professor of Environmental Studies

Michael E., Professor and Chair of Environmental Studies, UC-Santa Cruz, REINVITING NATURE? RESPONSES TO POSTMODERN DECONSTRUCTION, Eds: Michael E. Soule and Gary Lease, p. 159-16

Should We Actively Manage Wildlands and Wild Waters? The decision has already been made

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So if we must manage, where do we look for ethical guidance?

### 2ac counterplan

#### Permutation do the CP --- the plan doesn’t fiat the introduction of leases – the CP mandates a gas only lease – the plan text commits to removing the moratorium – but has nothing to DO with increasing leases – the CP is ridiculous, they haven’t card one that substantiates the CP is less than the AFF – it results in leases, but doesn’t mandate leases – the AFF should get to define the intent and scope of the plan – key to fairness

Berger 1 - Justice for the Supreme Court of Delaware - Opinion, INDUSTRIAL RENTALS, INC., ISAAC BUDOVITCH and FLORENCE BUDOVITCH, Appellants Below, Appellants, v. NEW CASTLE COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT and NEW CASTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE, Appellees Below, Appellees. No. 233, 2000SUPREME COURT OF DELAWARE776 A.2d 528; 2001 Del. LEXIS 300April 10, 2001, Submitted July 17, 2001, Decided lexis

We disagree. HN2 Statutes must be read as a whole and all the words

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projects should not have been included in the scope of the Budovitches' TIS.

#### Normal means is a debate that is separate from the mandate of the counterplan – that debate is infinitely regressive, the counterplan is also plan inclusive which is bad and kills any semblance of AFF offense – the lack of a solvency advocate is independently a voting issue – kills education

#### Removing the moratorium obviates the need for leases

#### Perm do the plan and end the leasing moratorium on offshore drilling

AFF sufficient to solve certainty

#### No one will drill for oil

Moulton 12

[David, Senior Director of Legislative Affaris at The Wilderness Society, 3/22/12, <http://wilderness.org/blog/truth-behind-4-gasoline-big-oil-doesnt-want-you-know>]

What about access for oil and gas drilling? A common complaint from the oil

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and devote the resources instead to renewable energy and alternative-fuel vehicles.

#### Coutnerplan Plan causes Saudi backlash

**Hulbert 9/11**

[Matthew, Forbes Contributor, 9/11/12, <http://www.forbes.com/sites/matthewhulbert/2012/09/11/saudi-oil-snub-dont-take-riyadh-for-granted-mr-president/>]

Admittedly, the independence line might win domestic votes, but it loses America international

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is rudely awoken by the nightmare of on-going global energy realities.

#### Dependence on Saudi Oil key to relations

Lazazzero 08

[Joseph A. Lazazzero, Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress, 2008, <http://www.thepresidency.org/storage/documents/Fellows2008/Lazazzero.pdf>]

Just as the U.S.-Saudi alliance was important during World War I

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Arabia is still gaining significant security from its alliance with the United States.

#### US/Saudi tensions allows China to step in and solidify energy and military relations – causes war

Luft and Korin, 4 (Gal, Executive director, Institute for the Analysis of Global Security (IAGS), Washington, D.C., and Anne, Director of polity and strategic planning, IAGS, and Editor of Energy Security, “The Saudi-Sino Connection”, Commentary; Mar2004, Vol. 117 Issue 3, p26-29, 4p, Ebsco)

China is a relative newcomer to the Middle East; unlike the other great powers

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At that point, as Napoleon foresaw, the world will surely tremble.

#### Causes global nuclear war

**Hunkovic, 9** (Lee J, American Military University, “The Chinese-Taiwanese Conflict: Possible Futures of a Confrontation between China, Taiwan and the United States of America”, [http://www.lamp-method.org/eCommons/ Hunkovic.pdf](http://www.lamp-method.org/eCommons/Hunkovic.pdf))

A war between China, Taiwan and the United States has the potential to escalate

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outcome, therefore, other countries will not be considered in this study.

#### Offshore drilling leads to cooperation with Cuba – that solves relations

EDF 12 (Environmental Defense Fund, “The U.S., Cuba and oil diplomacy”, 2012, http://www.edf.org/oceans/us-cuba-and-oil-diplomacy)

With the arrival of a huge drilling rig in January 2012, Cuba has moved

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EDF has proved itself as an influential voice and broker for environmental diplomacy.”

Relations are key to prevent cyber and bioterrorism

Westerman 6 (Toby, Publisher for International News Analysis Today, "Cyber Attack Aimed at US?" International Affairs, July,<http://www.traditioninaction.org/HotTopics/i46htWesterman_Cyberattack.html>)
A dying Cuban dictator Fidel Castro could launch … from a dying dictator and his terrorist friends, Cereijo urged.

#### Cyber-terrorism causes accidental nuclear war

Cimbala 99 (Stephen, Professor of Political Science – Pennsylvania State University Delaware County Campus, Summer, Armed Forces & Society: An Interdisciplinary Journal)

The nuclear shadow over the information age remains significant. The essence of information warfare

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or escalation. Unplanned interactions between infowarriors and deterrers could have unfortunate byproducts.

#### Biological terrorism causes extinction

Ochs 2 (Richard, Member – Chemical Weapons Working Group, “Biological Weapons Must be Abolished Immediately, 6-9, http://www.freefromterror.net/other\_articles/abolish.html)

Of all the weapons of mass destruction, the genetically engineered biological weapons, many

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Can we imagine hundreds of such plagues? HUMAN EXTINCTION IS NOW POSSIBLE.

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#### No uniqueness for war

#### No war—prefer cards on capabilities over hyperbole

**Kaye 10**—Senior political scientist, RAND. CFR member and former prof at George Wash. PhD in pol sci from UC Berkeley—AND—Nora Bensahel—adjunct prof of IR at Georgetown. PhD in pol sci from Stanford—AND—Jerrold D. Green—research professor, USC. PhD in pol sci from U Chicago—AND—Frederic Wehrey—Senior analyst at RAND. Former Georgetown prof. D.Phil. candidate in IR, Oxford. Master’s in near Eastern studies, Princeton (Dalia Dassa, Dangerous But Not Omnipotent, Report by RAND for the Airforce and DOD, http://www.rand.org/content/dam/rand/pubs/monographs/2009/RAND\_MG781.pdf)

To accurately gauge the strategic challenges from Iran over a ten- to fifteen-

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revolutionary ideals— can also act as a constraint on Iranian external behavior.

This leads to our conclusion that analogies to the Cold War are mistaken: The

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, ties to Islamist groups, and ability to influence Arab public opinion.

#### No impact – Hagel won’t really change anything

Walt 1/8 (Stephen M, baller, “[What the Hagel fight does and doesn't mean](http://walt.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2013/01/08/what_the_hagel_fight_does_and_doesnt_mean)” http://walt.foreignpolicy.com/

The war of words about the nomination of Chuck Hagel will undoubtedly continue for some

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(and Kerry and Brennan) signals no big change in policy direction.

#### And, the vote is purely symbolic – who is the secretary will have no material effect on policy

Rosie Gray and Zeke Miller (staff writers for BuzzFeed) January 6, 2013 “Obama Upends Iran Debate By Picking Chuck Hagel” http://www.buzzfeed.com/rosiegray/obama-updends-iran-debate-by-picking-chuck-hagel

The fight, some foreign policy observers say, is primarily symbolic. Obama “is the most controlling and withholding foreign policy and national security president since Richard Nixon,” said Aaron David Miller, a former longtime Middle East diplomat. “It doesn’t really matter on the core issues of the day what John Kerry or Chuck Hagel think on any one issue.”

#### Hagel confirmation inevitable

#### Uniqueness overwhelms the link – GOP is backing off

Ali Gharib (writer for the Daily Beast), 2013 “With Schumer Support, Predictions Of Hagel Confirmation Battle Fizzle” http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2013/01/15/with-schumer-support-predictions-of-confirmation-battle-fizzle January 15.html

From almost the moment Barack Obama named Chuck Hagel to helm the Defense Department,

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battle the media—abetted by Hagel's right-wing critics—predicted.¶

#### Dem’s are united and only three GOP members are opposed

**Politico, 1-7-13**, p. http://dyn.politico.com/printstory.cfm?uuid=F0EDA400-ECDA-4BE3-84DE-4B9CDB9B413E

There’s still no evidence that …

 said they will vote against Hagel.

#### Nomination provides political cover - opposition is loud not broad

NYT (New York Times) January 6, 2013 “Obama’s Pick for Defense Is an Ally, and a Lightning Rod” http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/07/us/obama-expected-to-select-hagel-for-defense-post.html?pagewanted=1&\_r=1&hp

The choice of Mr. Hagel, the first Vietnam veteran to be nominated for

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his party on Iraq, a war most Americans think was a disaster.”

#### PC not key – army of supporters solve

**Chicago Tribune, 1-7-13**, p. http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/officials-obama-to-nominate-hagel-for-defense-brennan-for-cia/2013/01/07/22db7d4e-58c2-11e2-beee-6e38f5215402\_story\_1.html

But Hagel has many supporters, including … alike once the nomination is official.

#### Laundry list of early priorities that will burn through PC quickly now

Nancy Benac (Washington Correspondent at the Associated Press) January 21, 2013 “Analysis: Optimistic Obama faces tough to-do list” http://www.wtop.com/?nid=1220&sid=3200051&pid=0&page=2

There are no easy "gets" as he scrolls through his second-term

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," Obama senior adviser David Plouffe acknowledged Sunday on ABC's "This Week."

#### Gun reform will decrease chances he gets other priorities passed now

Mark Kennedy (Professor of political management and director of the Graduate School of Political Management, George Washington University) January 15, 2013 “My Immigration Reform Prediction: Late and Light” <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/mark-r-kennedy/immigration-reform_b_2426718.html>

Lack of focus: In order to really drive the direction of a major reform

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of action on other priorities and will elevate the level of partisan rancor.

#### Fights now over Keystone pipeline

Andrew Restruccia (writer for Politico) January 22, 2013 “President Obama’s own words turn up heat on Keystone decision” http://www.politico.com/story/2013/01/obamas-own-words-may-haunt-keystone-decision-86596.html?hp=r4

President Barack Obama is in a pipeline pickle.¶ The president’s call for action on

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in the coming months, probably after the first quarter of the year.

#### Hagel nomination thumps

Gold, 1/6/13 [Critics slam Chuck Hagel's likely nomination as Defense secretary, Elizabeth, Los Angeles Times, [http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-na-hagel-20130107,0,2775614.story](http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-na-hagel-20130107%2C0%2C2775614.story)]

WASHINGTON— ¶ — With former [Sen. Chuck Hagel](http://www.latimes.com/topic/politics/chuck-hagel-PEPLT002605.topic)'s nomination as Defense secretary imminent

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was floated late last year, he has come under attack by conservatives.

#### Plan isn’t legislation

Janofsky 6 (Michael, Veteran Journalist, “Offshore Drilling Plan Widens Rifts Over Energy Policy,” New York Times, 4-9, http://www.nytimes.com/2006/04/09/washington/09drill.html)

A Bush administration proposal to open an energy-rich tract of the Gulf of

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the administration's final plan would lead to bidding on new leases in 2007.

#### Secretary of the Interior does the plan

OCS Lands Act 2K Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, December 29, 2000, http://epw.senate.gov/ocsla.pdf

SEC. 8. LEASING OF OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF.—(a)(1) The

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royalty or net profit share set forth in the lease for such area.

#### That shields politics

Dobkin 8—past Chairperson of the Immigration Law Section of the Oakland County (Michigan) Bar Association and has lectured and presented seminars on immigration in the U.S., Canada and the U.K. (Donald, THE RISE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE STATE: APRESCRIPTION FOR LAWLESSNESS, [www.law.ku.edu/publications/journal/pdf/v17n3/dobkin.pdf](http://www.law.ku.edu/publications/journal/pdf/v17n3/dobkin.pdf))

Because an agency’s actions often receive far less media attention than the actions of the

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OMB’s farreaching and controversial Peer Review Bulletin, which guides agency decisions. 38

#### Low PC inevitable and not key

Schier 11 Steven E. Schier is the Dorothy H. and Edward C. Congdon professor of political science at Carleton College, The contemporary presidency: the presidential authority problem and the political power trap. Presidential Studies Quarterly December 1, 2011 lexis

Implications of the Evidence¶ The evidence presented here depicts a decline in presidential political

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final years of both the Clinton and George W. Bush presidencies demonstrate.

#### Plan popular

#### --- trumps ideology.

Barry Russell 12 is President of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, “Energy Must Transcend Politics”, 8-15-12, <http://energy.nationaljournal.com/2012/08/finding-the-sweet-spot-biparti.php#2238176>, Accessed date: 12-10-12 y2k

There have been glimpses of great leadership, examples when legislators have reached across the

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) is another Democratic leader who consistently votes to promote responsible energy development.

#### ---- key to bipartisan bargain

Coral Davenport 12 is Energy and Environment Correspondent for National Journal. “How Obama and Congress Could Find Common Ground on Energy,” December 6, 2012, <http://www.nationaljournal.com/magazine/how-obama-and-congress-could-find-common-ground-on-energy-20121206>, Accessed date: 12-30-12 y2k

Meanwhile, the partisan impasse may be about to end. Quietly, lawmakers and

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are more open to the carbon tax as a way to raise revenue.

#### --- olive branch

Russell **McLendon**, mother nature network, 5/27/**10**, “Offshore drilling: Low bills vs. big spills”, http://www.mnn.com/earth-matters/translating-uncle-sam/stories/offshore-drilling-low-bills-vs-big-spills, mnrs

That pressure reached a critical mass in March, when President Obama announced plans to

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starting what is now being called the worst oil spill in American history.

#### Winners win

Marshall and Prins 11 (BRYAN W, Miami University and BRANDON C, University of Tennessee & Howard H. Baker, Jr. Center for Public Policy, “Power or Posturing? Policy Availability and Congressional Influence on U.S. Presidential Decisions to Use Force”, Sept, Presidential Studies Quarterly 41, no. 3)

Presidents rely heavily on Congress in converting their political capital into real policy success.

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made with an eye toward managing political capital at home (Fordham 2002).

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#### 1nc Humphries http://cnie.org/NLE/CRSreports/06Mar/IB10149.pdf

Domestic Energy Production through Offshore Exploration and Equitable Treatment¶ of State Holdings Act of

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.¶ Introduced February 15, 2006. Referred to the Committee on Resources.

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**Calculations are made on capabilities, not commitments**

**Press 5**

Daryl Press, Associate Professor of Government | Dartmouth College, Calculating credibility:

how leaders assess military threats. Google Books

 In international politics credibility is a prized asset. A country whose prom-

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the adversary's threats will be credible. Otherwise his threats will seem empty.

In contrast with Past Actions theory—which envisions leaders assessing credibility by peering into the past—Current Calculus theory posits that decisionmakers treat crises as if they were sui generis. If Current Calculus theory is correct, then countries do not need to take costly actions (such as fighting wars) to protect their future credibility. Future commitments will be credible if—and only if—they are backed up by sufficient strength and connected to weighty interests

### No Impact – 1ar

**Hagel would fail – can’t solve the impact**

**Maginnis 12-27**. [Robert, retired US Army lieutenant colonel and military commentator on CNN, "OBAMA — NOT AMERICA — NEEDS HAGEL FOR DEFENSE" Human Events -- www.humanevents.com/2012/12/27/obama-not-america-needs-hagel-for-defense/]

Former U.S. Senator Chuck Hagel is a bad choice for American security

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billion of reductions already being digested would “be devastating for the department.”

**Zero impact – Hagel doesn’t determine foreign policy.**

**Millbank 1-9**. [Dana, Washington Post columnist, "Dana Milbank: Battle-tested, Hagel prepares for fight in Senate confirmation By Dana Milbank Washington Post" Sacramento Bee -- www.sacbee.com/2013/01/09/5101343/battle-tested-hagel-prepares-for.html]

The Republican former senator from Nebraska should and probably will be confirmed by the Senate

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moral authority that few of those senators who would judge him can match.

**Hagel has no impcat**

**Ajl 12-24**. [Max, Mid East Information and Research project, PhD student in devel­op­ment sociology at Cornell, "Why Chuck Hagel is Irrelevant" www.jadaliyya.com/pages/index/9233/why-chuck-hagel-is-irrelevant]

First, Hagel’s policy prescriptions for dealing with Iran are, in fact, American

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.¶ It is simply the consensual policy amongst most of the Washington elite.

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#### No fight during confirmation – inside sources

Jeremy Herb (Staff writer for The Hill) January 7, 2013 “Obama nominates Hagel for Pentagon, picking fight with GOP” http://thehill.com/blogs/defcon-hill/policy-and-strategy/275905-obama-nominates-hagel-for-pentagon-picking-fight-with-senate-gop

A source familiar with the confirmation … his colleagues while he served there.

#### They will be able to easily dismiss Republican’s major pressure points over Hagel – GOP wont be able to go for the throat during confirmation

- Israel

- gay rights

- Iran

NYT (New York Times) January 6, 2013 “Obama’s Pick for Defense Is an Ally, and a Lightning Rod” http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/07/us/obama-expected-to-select-hagel-for-defense-post.html?pagewanted=1&\_r=1&hp

 The Senate minority leader, Mitch McConnell, said on the NBC News program

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imagine a Nebraska Republican whose views had not evolved in the last decade.

#### GOP won’t end up expending political capital to block Hagel nomination

**Christian Science Monitor, 1-7-13**, p. http://www.csmonitor.com/USA/Politics/2013/0107/Chuck-Hagel-why-Obama-is-using-political-capital-on-Pentagon-pick-video

But the same question must … to have the Cabinet they want.

#### All of the backlash was a republican attempt to push Obama off of the nomination – now that he has the opposition will dissipate – Obama doesn’t need to push

Emily Cadei (writer for Roll Call) January 7, 2013 “Hagel to Face Concerted Opposition for Top Pentagon Post” http://www.rollcall.com/news/hagel\_to\_face\_concerted\_opposition\_for\_top\_pentagon\_post-220610-1.html

One Hagel backer said he expected opposition to the nomination to dissipate after the Nebraska

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of Israel.” “That’ll come out in the hearings,” he said.

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