## An Introduction to Gas Production and A Review of the Trinidad Gas Scene

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Abstract: The importance of natural gas in a developing economy and to the Petroleum Industry itself is of considerable significance. Although the percentage of total income derived by a petroleum producing nation and by the oil industry from natural gas may be relatively small compared to that from oil production/products, this vital raw product plays a very important role in a developing economy. Like the rest of the petroleum industry, development of natural gas is a highly technical and capital-intensive business. At this stage in the development of Trinidad and Tobago, the natural gas situation is of particular importance and is the subject of the second part of this paper. However, for those who are not familiar with gas terminology and some of the major problems in the industry, this paper is to promote a better understanding of the gas business, and at the same time to review the gas scene in Trinidad and Tobago.

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