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Comparison of DPS with Growth of EPS Historically and Forecasted EPS Growth

	Kinder Morgan Energy											
	Buckeye Partners		Enbridge Energy Partners Kaneb Pipe Line Partners			Partners		TEPPCO Partners		Average		
Average												
Annual												
Growth	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS
1992-2001	7.3%	6.6%	7.7%	-6.6%	2.9%	4.7%	43.4%	14.5%	7.7%	9.0%	13.8%	5.6%
1996-2001	10.3%	4.7%	6.1%	-17.8%	4.8%	6.0%	27.8%	28.5%	8.2%	-0.6%	11.5%	4.2%
IBES 5-Year I	Median Proje	cted E.P.S.	Growth									
		5.0%		8.0%		5.0%		14.0%		8.0%		8.0%

Comparison of DPS with Combined EPS and GDP Growth Historically and Forecasted Combined EPS and GDP Growth

Growth to		2/3 EPS + 1/3 Long- Term GDP		2/3 EPS + 1/3 Long- Term GDP		2/3 EPS + 1/3 Long- Term GDP		2/3 EPS + 1/3 Long- Term GDP		2/3 EPS + 1/3 Long- Term GDP		2/3 EPS + 1/3 Long- Term GDP
2001 from	DPS	Growth	DPS	Growth	DPS	Growth	DPS	Growth	DPS	Growth	DPS	Growth
1992-2001	7.3%	6.2%	7.7%	-2.6%	2.9%	4.9%	43.4%	11.5%	7.7%	7.8%	13.8%	5.6%
1996-2001	10.3%	5.0%	6.1%	-10.0%	4.8%	5.8%	27.8%	20.9%	8.2%	1.4%	11.5%	4.6%
Weighted Average of Growth Rates (2/3 IBES + 1/3 Long-Term GDP Growth)												
		5.2%		7.2%		5.2%		11.2%		7.2%		7.2%

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DPS: Dividends per Share; EPS: Diluted Earnings per Share from Continuing Operations (Dollars per Share)

	(Dollars per Share)										
							Kinder Moi	rgan Energy			GDP (Billion
	Buckeye Partners		Enbridge En	ergy Partners	Kaneb Pipe Line Partners		Partners		TEPPCO Partners		Dollars)
	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	DPS	EPS	5,986.2
1992	1.3000	1.4300	1.8000	2.1300	2.2000	2.2000	0.0837	0.4625	1.1000	0.8500	6,318.9
1993	1.3000	1.7200	2.3600	2.3000	2.2000	2.2000	0.5500	0.3750	1.1100	1.3050	6,642.3
1994	1.4000	1.9800	2.5100	2.6400	2.2000	2.2000	0.6300	0.4550	1.1850	1.5650	7,054.3
1995	1.4000	2.0500	2.5600	1.6000	2.2000	2.2000	0.6300	0.4275	1.3250	1.5400	7,400.5
1996	1.5000	2.0250	2.6000	3.0600	2.2500	2.4800	0.6300	0.4475	1.4500	1.8950	7,813.2
1997	1.7150	1.9200	2.9200	3.0200	2.4500	2.5500	0.8150	0.5050	1.5500	1.9500	8,318.4
1998	2.1000	1.9200	3.3600	3.0700	2.6000	2.6700	1.1925	1.0450	1.7500	1.6700	8,781.5
1999	2.1750	2.4000	3.4850	2.4800	2.7500	2.8100	1.3875	1.2100	1.8500	1.9100	9,268.6
2000	2.4000	2.3800	3.5000	1.7800	2.8000	2.4300	1.7125	1.3350	2.0000	1.8900	9,872.9
2001	2.4500	2.5500	3.5000	1.1500	2.8500	3.3200	2.1500	1.5700	2.1500	1.8400	10,208.1

Source: Bloomberg; Bureau of Economic Analysis.