

ENERGY PROCUREMENT REPORT

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What's driving your energy prices?

Bullish Factors

Cold weather forecasts have likely lent additional support to ULSD prices

- Potential US tariffs on Canadian and Mexican imports could include oil and products, but these have been delayed to February 1
- Global monetary policy continues to loosen, as data comes in showing cooling inflationary pressures

Bearish Factors

- President Trump has signed a series of executive orders aimed at increasing production and reducing energy costs, including withdrawal from the Paris accords
- US and International stock market indexes are down from previous highs
- The US dollar has rallied sharply since September
- US oil production has hit a record high

Did you know?

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Heating Degree Day Update

We are near the historical peak period for heating degree days, and have seen some welcome cold weeks recently, with three weeks well above historical norms as can be seen in the chart below. Cumulative oil heating population-weighted HDDs in PADD 1A are 2,985 through January 15, which is 8% below normal but 7% higher than last year. Mid-Atlantic HDDs are 2,651, which is 8% below normal but 3% higher than last winter.





