

Global LPG Trends & Outlook



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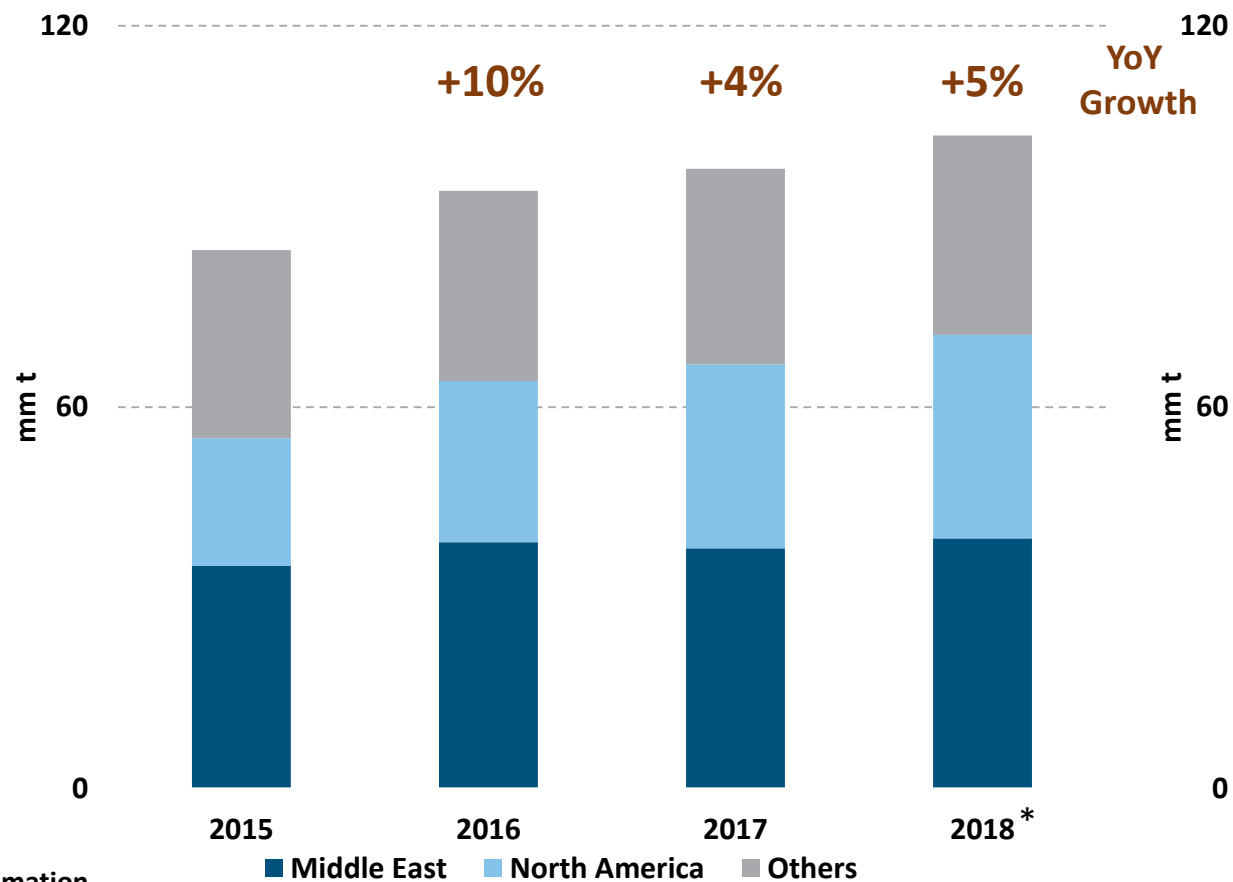


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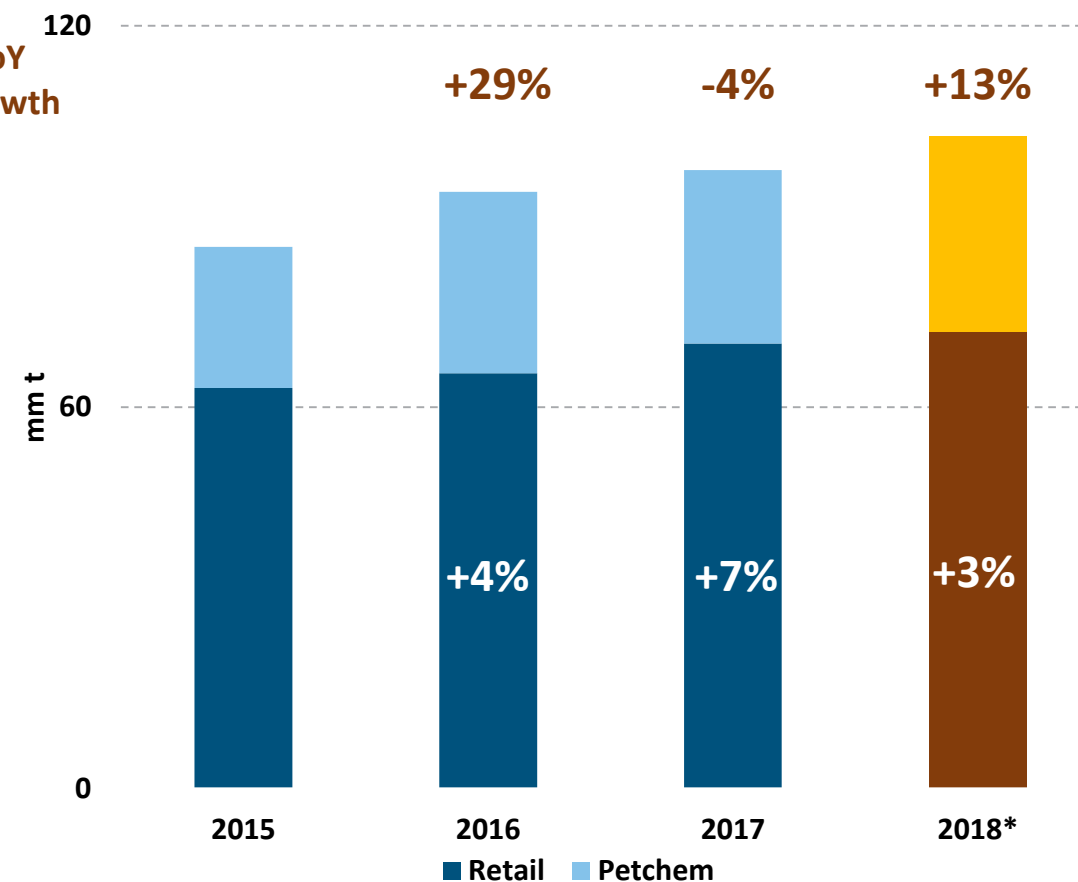
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Slow export growth complicates demand balance

Global LPG export growth

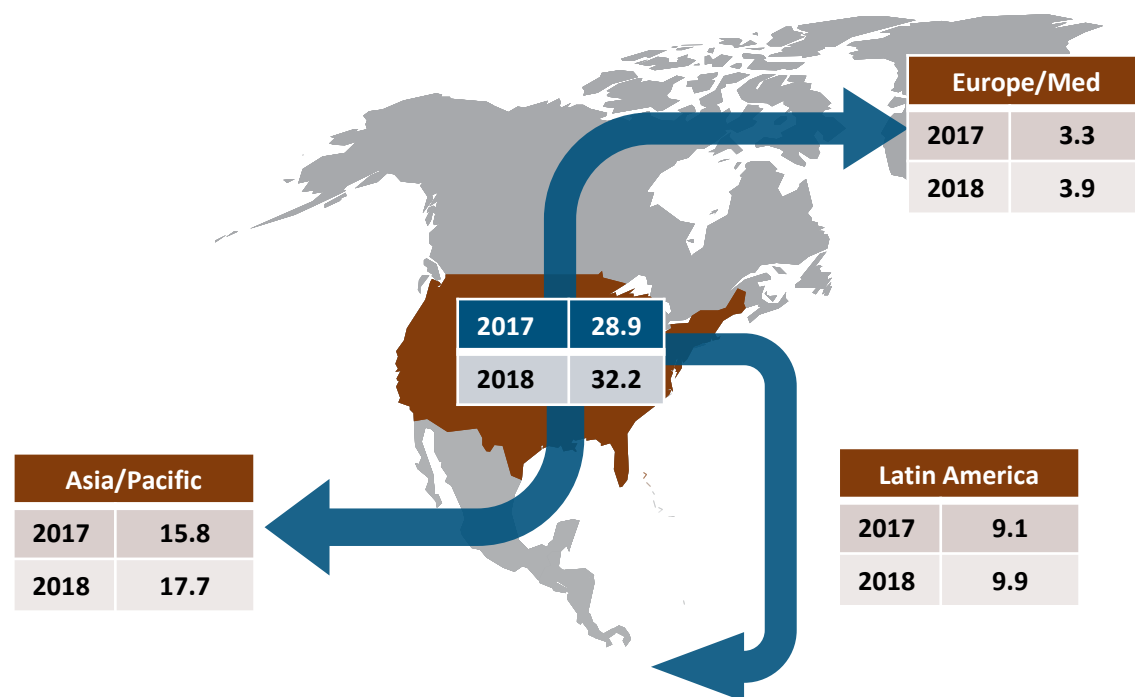


Global LPG import breakdown

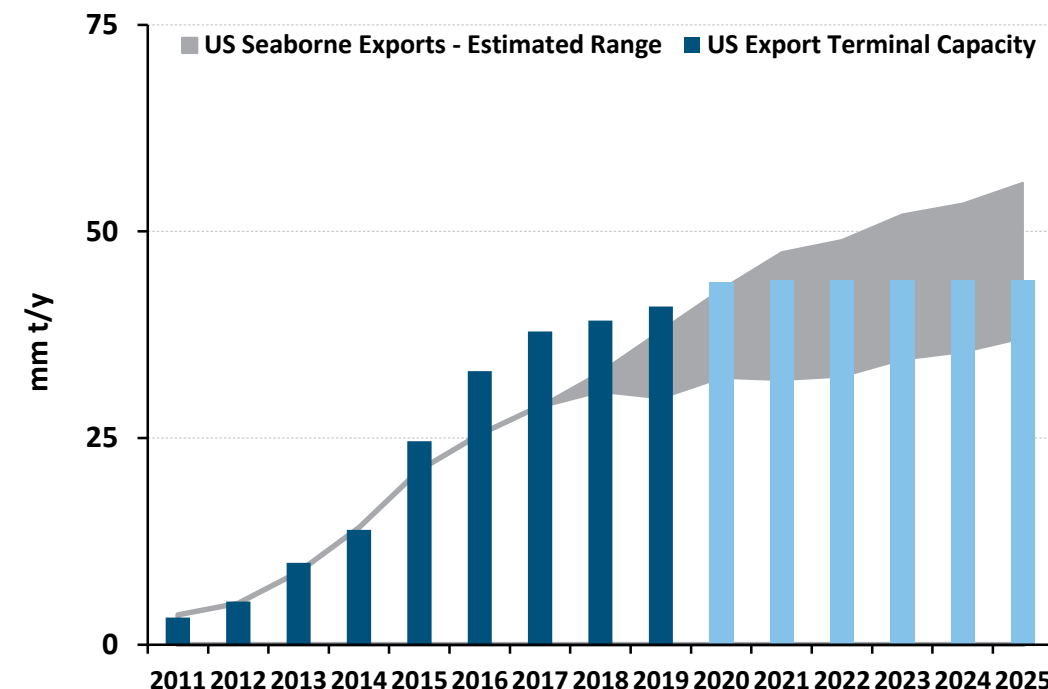


US supply defines global market dynamics

Single largest exporter – but are there limitations?



US LPG export range vs terminal capacity



ME2 delays

Fractionation
capacity

Terminal
capacity

Ethane
dynamics

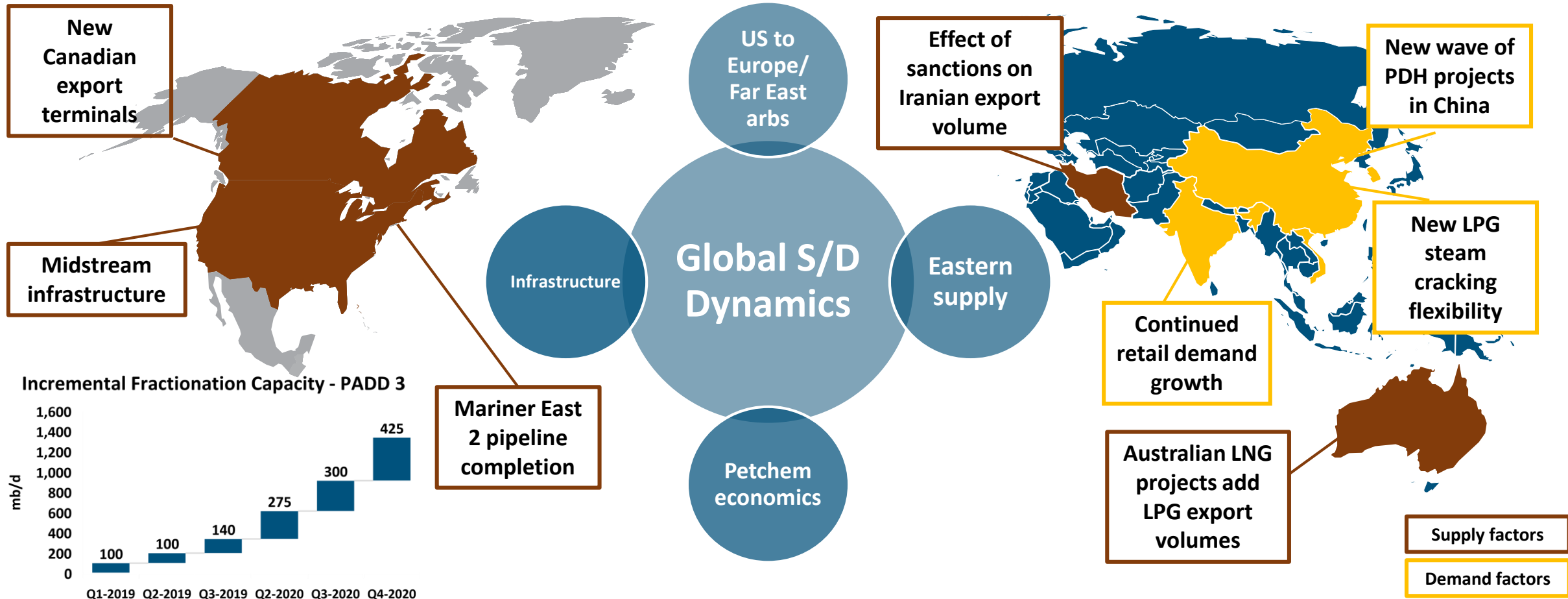
Oil/gas prices

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What will be the driving forces in the near term?

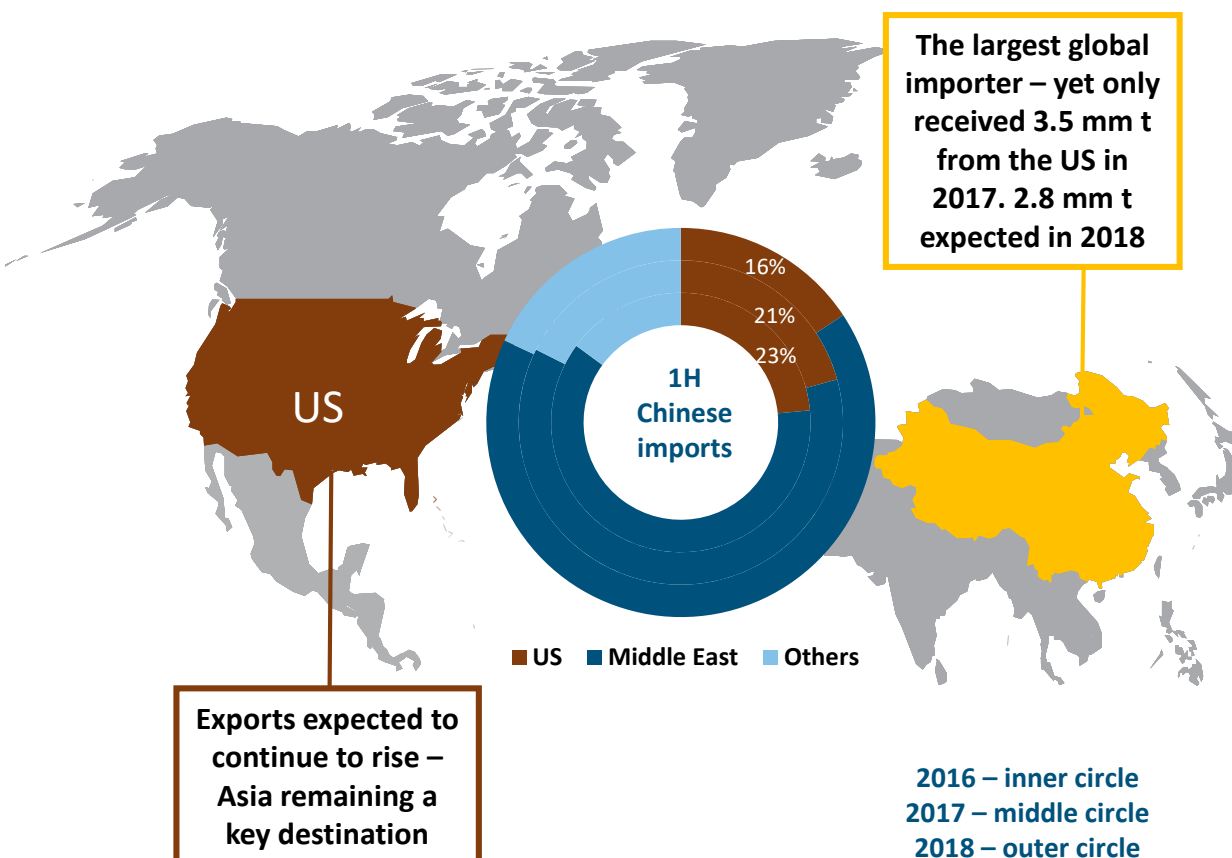
US still at the forefront...

...with the East remaining the key outlet



Political relationships play a role too

US to China tariffs effect



What are the implications?

Chinese Petchem demand on the rise

- New petrochemical plants
- Propane PDH demand to rise by around 2 mm t by 2020 from 2018

Iranian exports slowdown

- Iranian export volumes estimated to subside in 2019
- How this will affect Chinese imports?

2 tiers pricing mechanism East

- Diversification of supply – Canada/ Australia
- 2 tiers of Eastern prices: US vs ME/other origin

Propane & Butane Markets



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Key supply/export considerations

N. Europe exports
connected with N. Sea field
depletion/additions and
Russian domestic demand

US domestic supply-
demand dynamics
will dictate the global
trade growth and
pricing volatility

Middle East export level
will depend on
politics/investment and
domestic petchem use

Increase of exports out
of Australia will add
another factor in the
Asian outlet competition

Med product availability
a function of political
factors and field
depletion

WAF production not expected
to increase significantly and
the question is domestic
demand growth

Key demand/import considerations

N. Europe demand a function of LPG vs ethane/naphtha econs, propylene demand and retail demand decline

Major Asian Countries for Import Growth

China's level of demand will depend on economics/investments for PDH/steam-cracking and for retail/gasoline blending

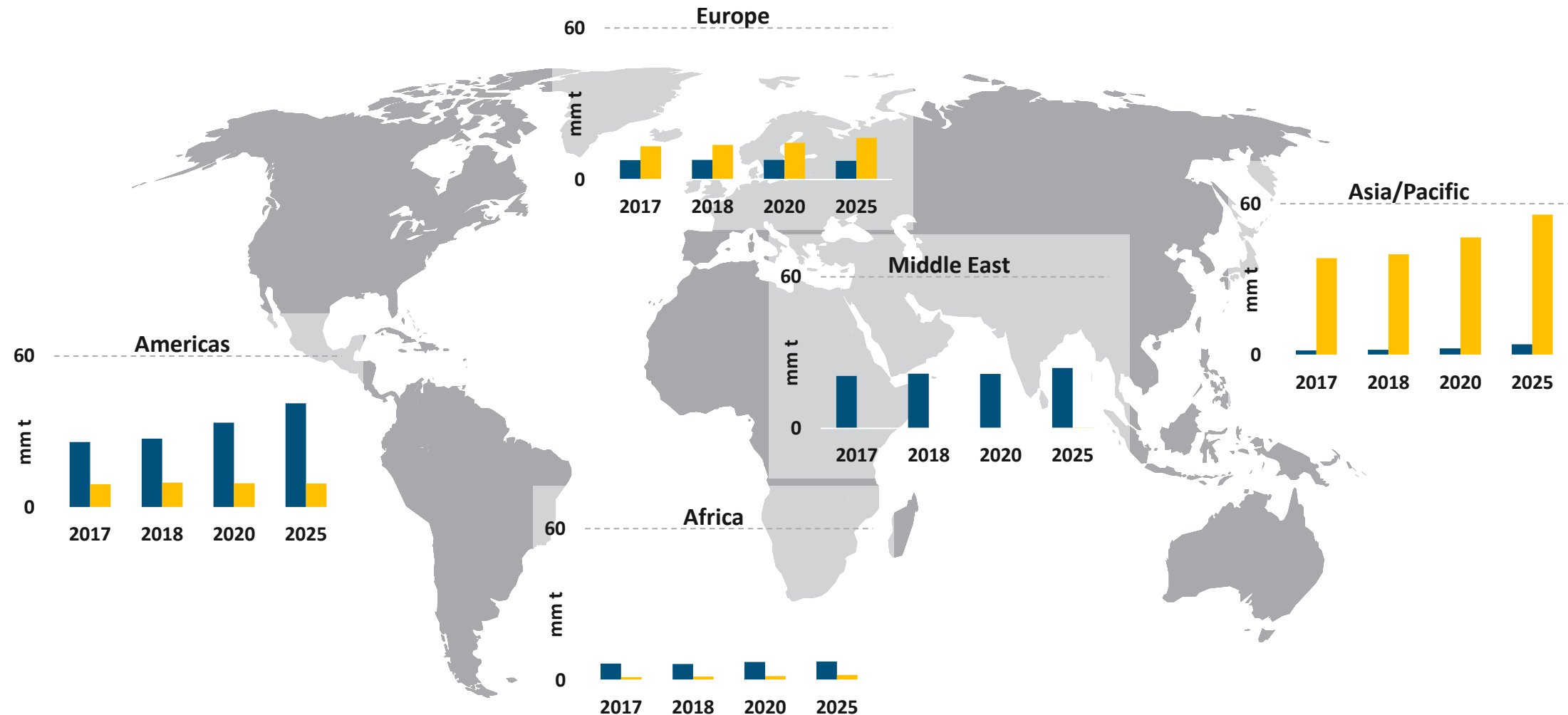
India is already undergoing a large retail growth and market penetration followed by terminal expansions. How far can this level of growth be sustained?

Indonesia has been growing its import demand rapidly since 2008 and will continue towards 2020+. What are the limits and the alternatives?

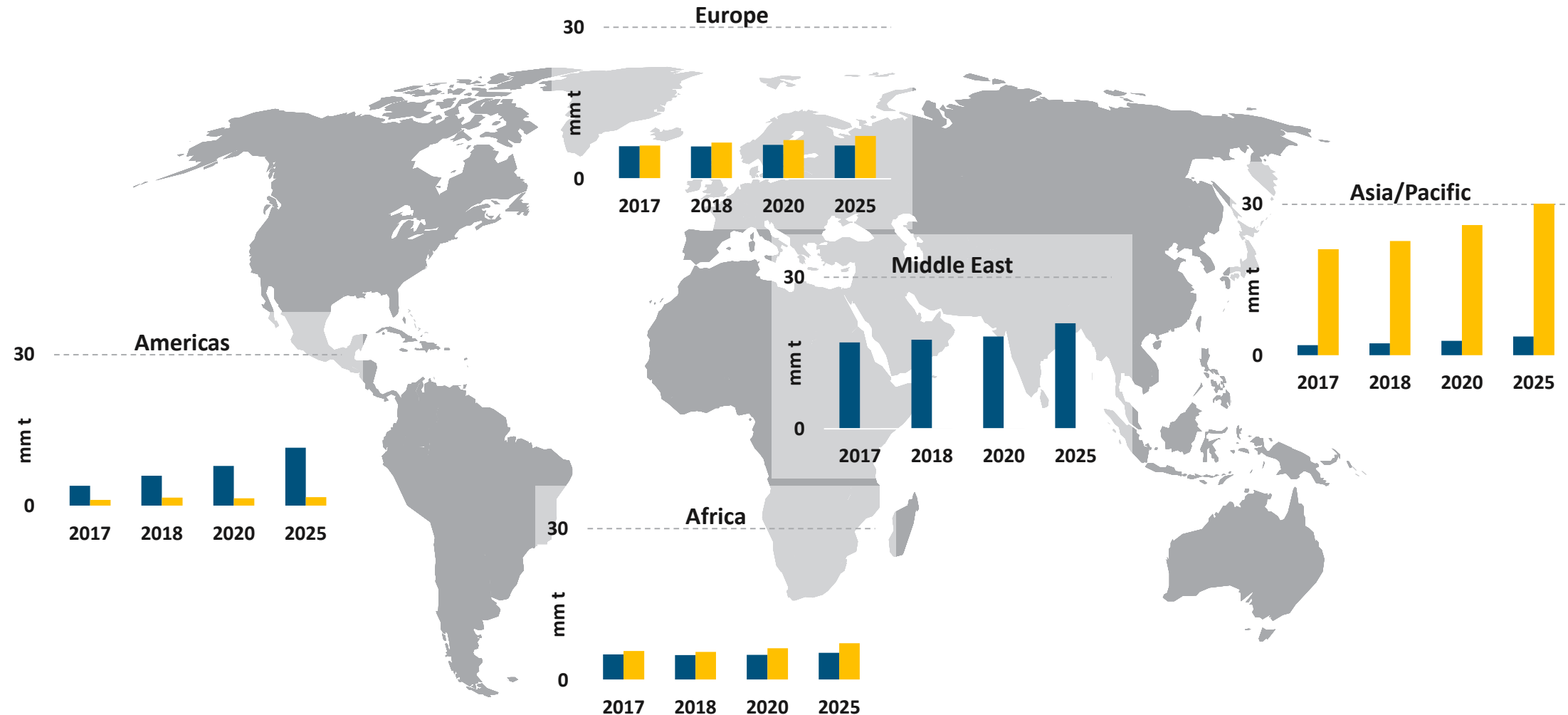
Latin American import demand connected with domestic LPG production and availability & political decisions

Sub-Saharan African demand will heavily depend on infrastructure developments, investment in LPG operations and governmental support

Global propane s/d balance - more of the same?



Global butane s/d balance – market changes ahead



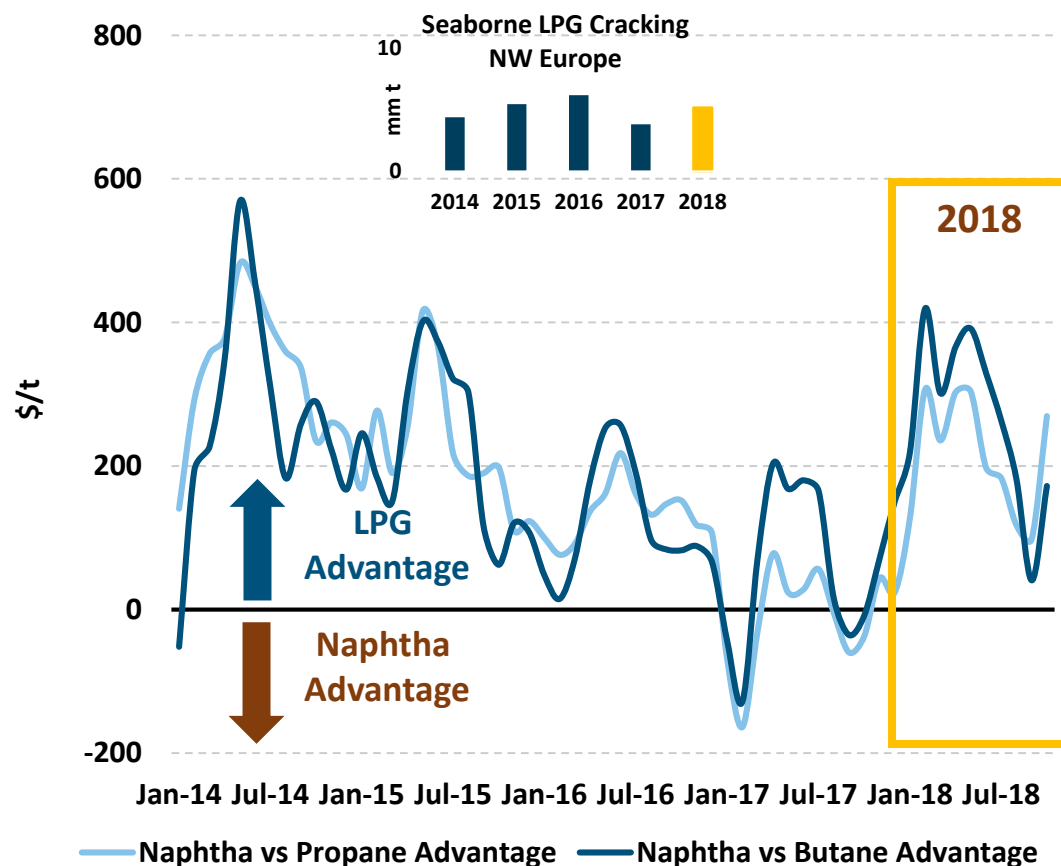
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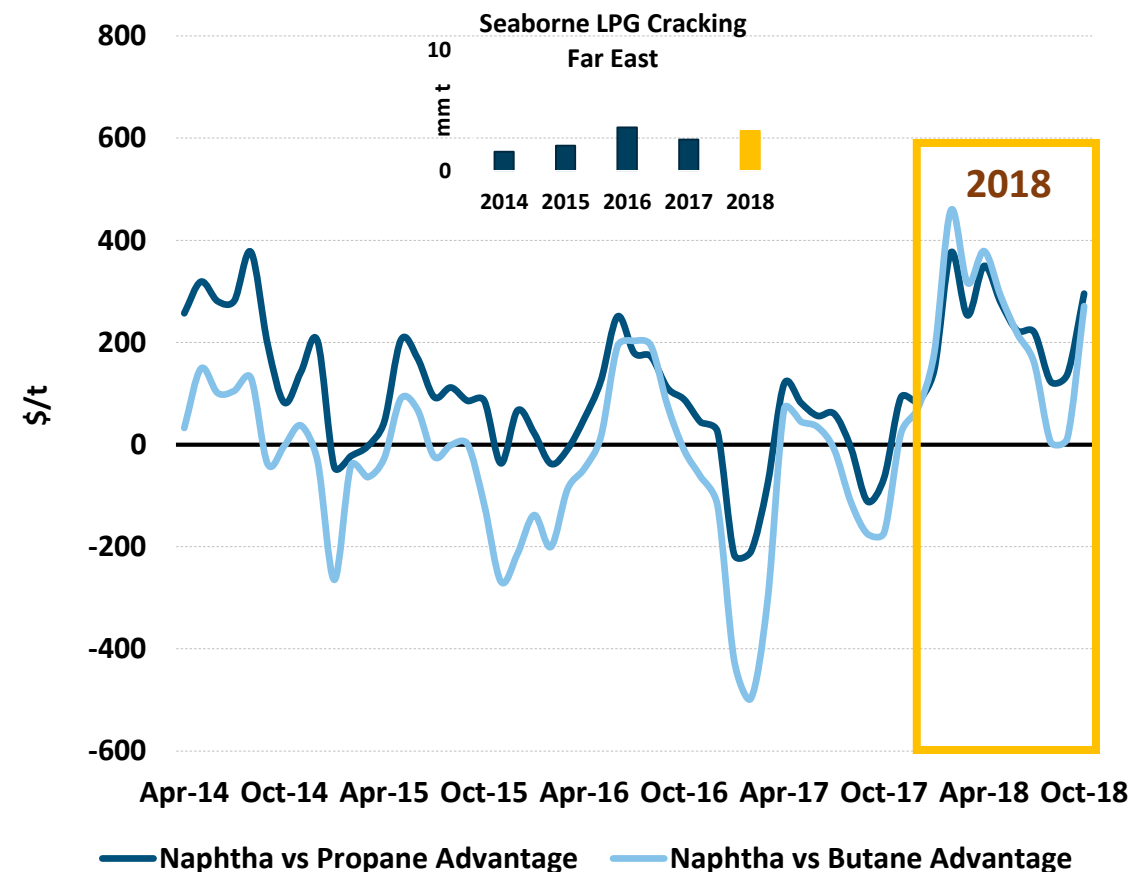
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Sensitive petchem demand acts as a balancing mechanism

Cracker incremental cash margins advantage
N. Europe

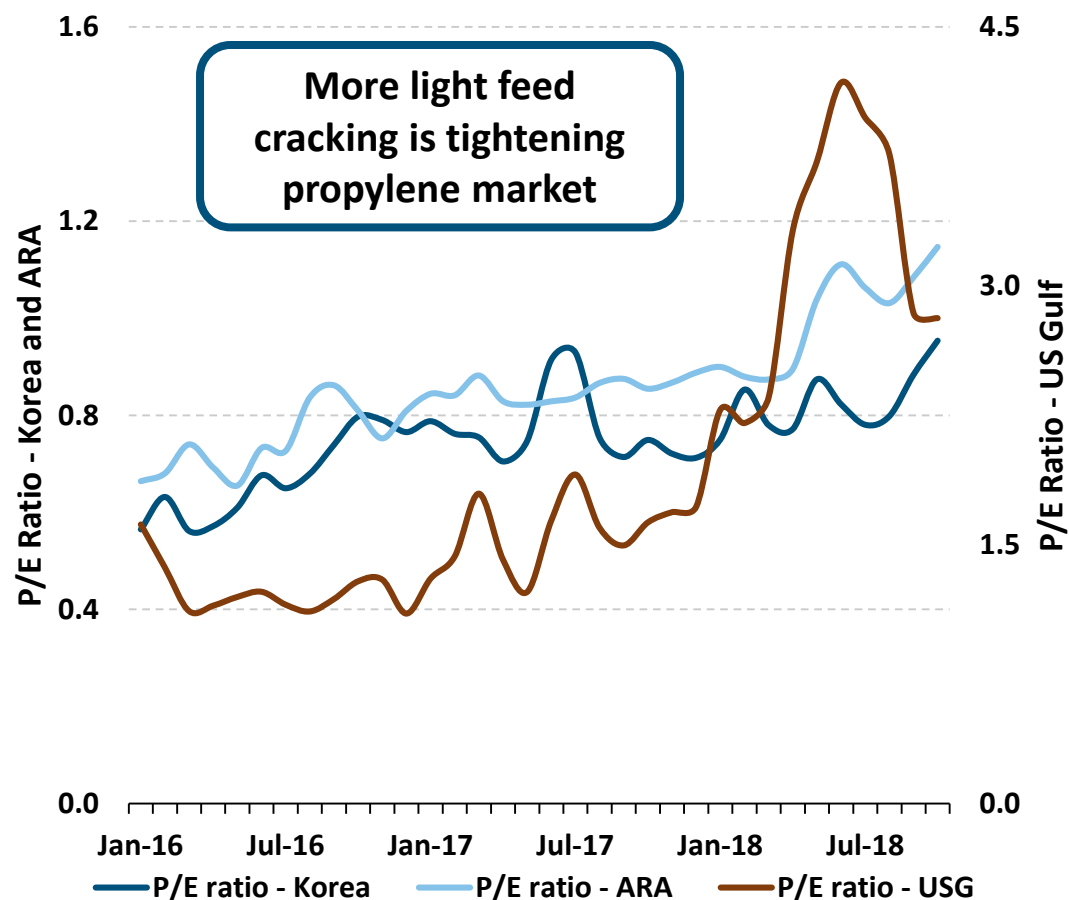


Cracker incremental cash margins advantage
Far East

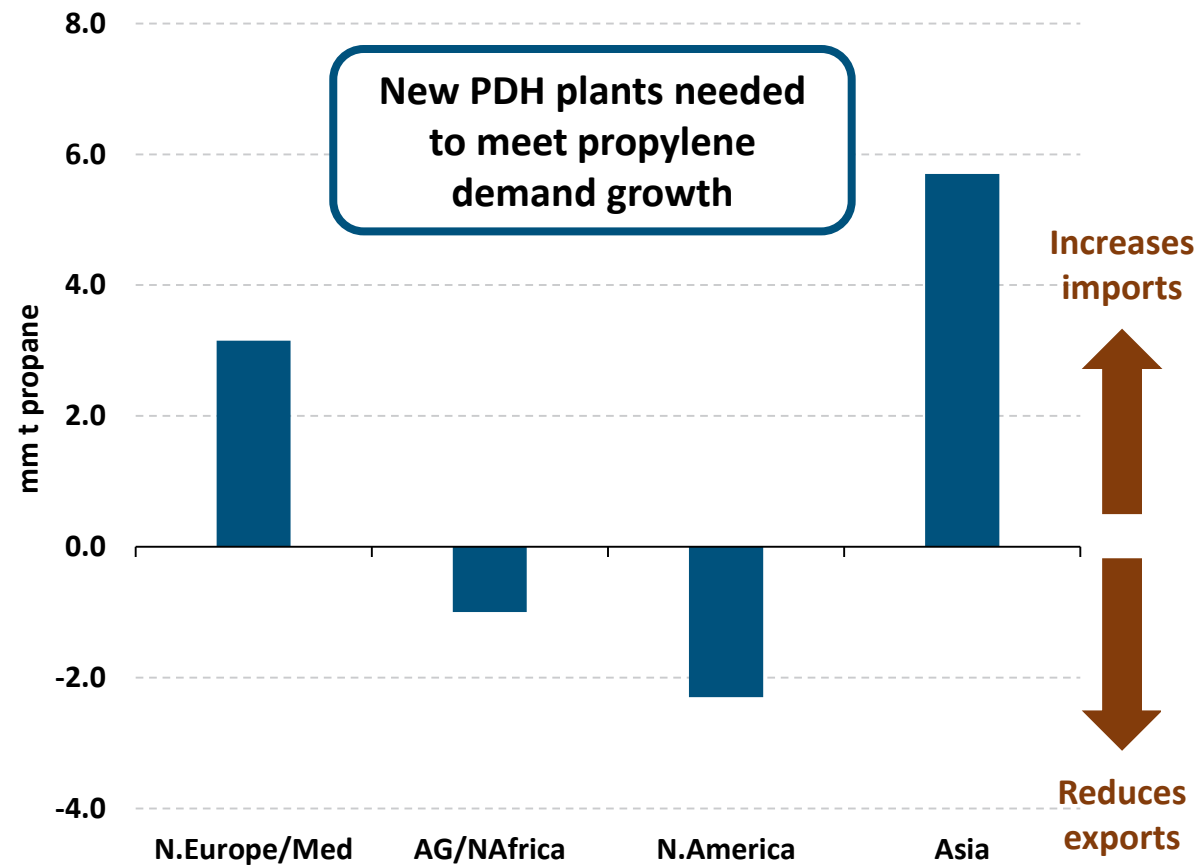


Propylene is tight and needs more PDH units

Global Propylene prices on a rising trend

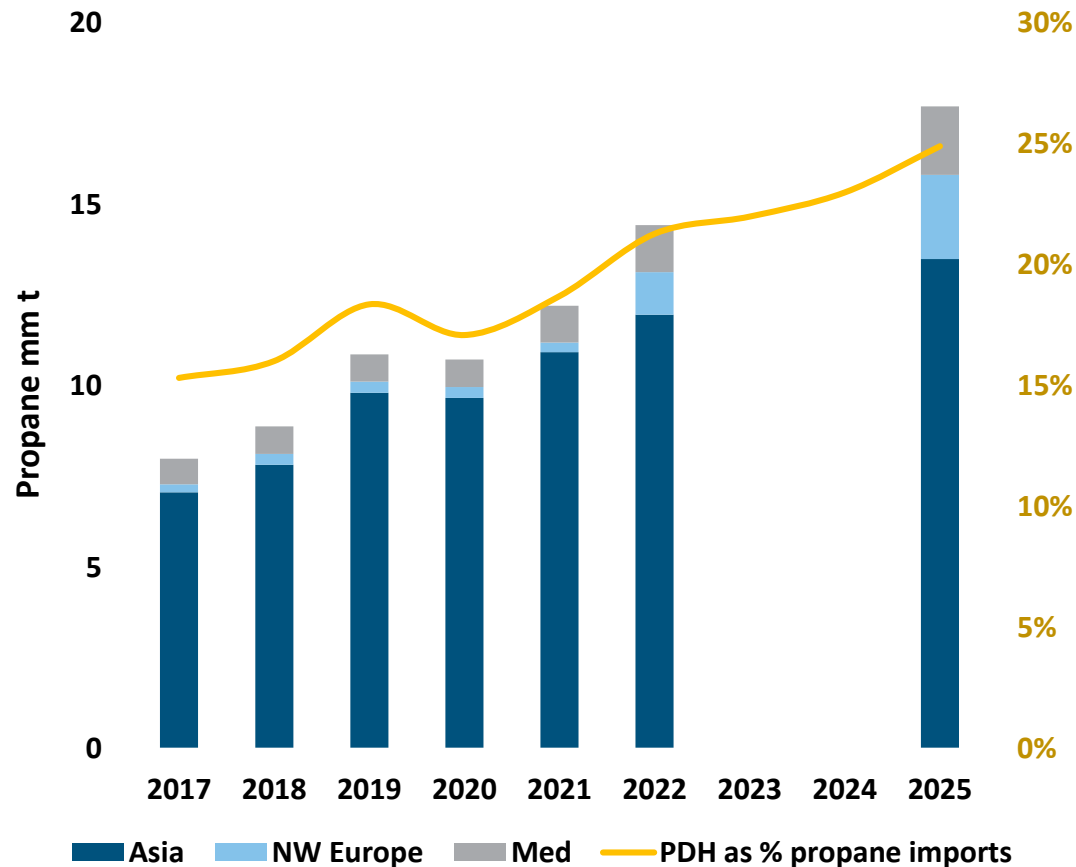


Change in propane trade 2018-25 due to PDH

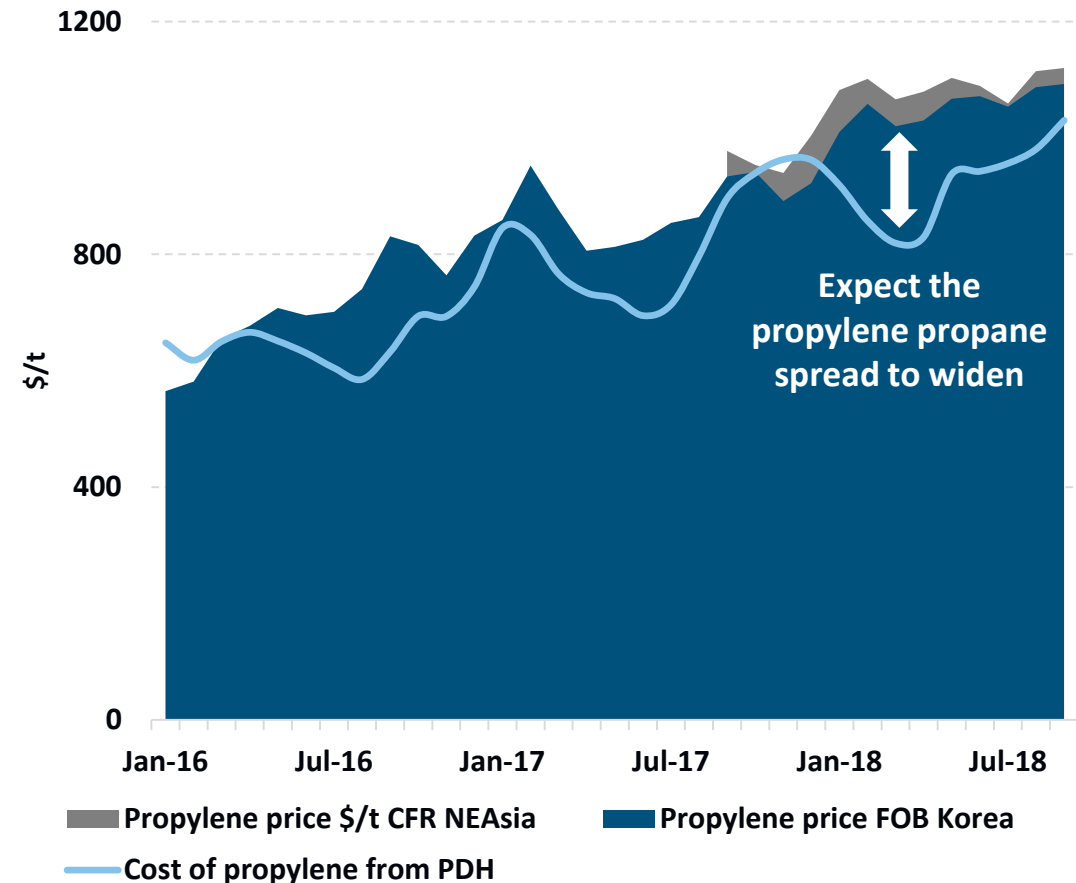


Propane for PDH becomes major trade

PDH will account for 25% of propane imports

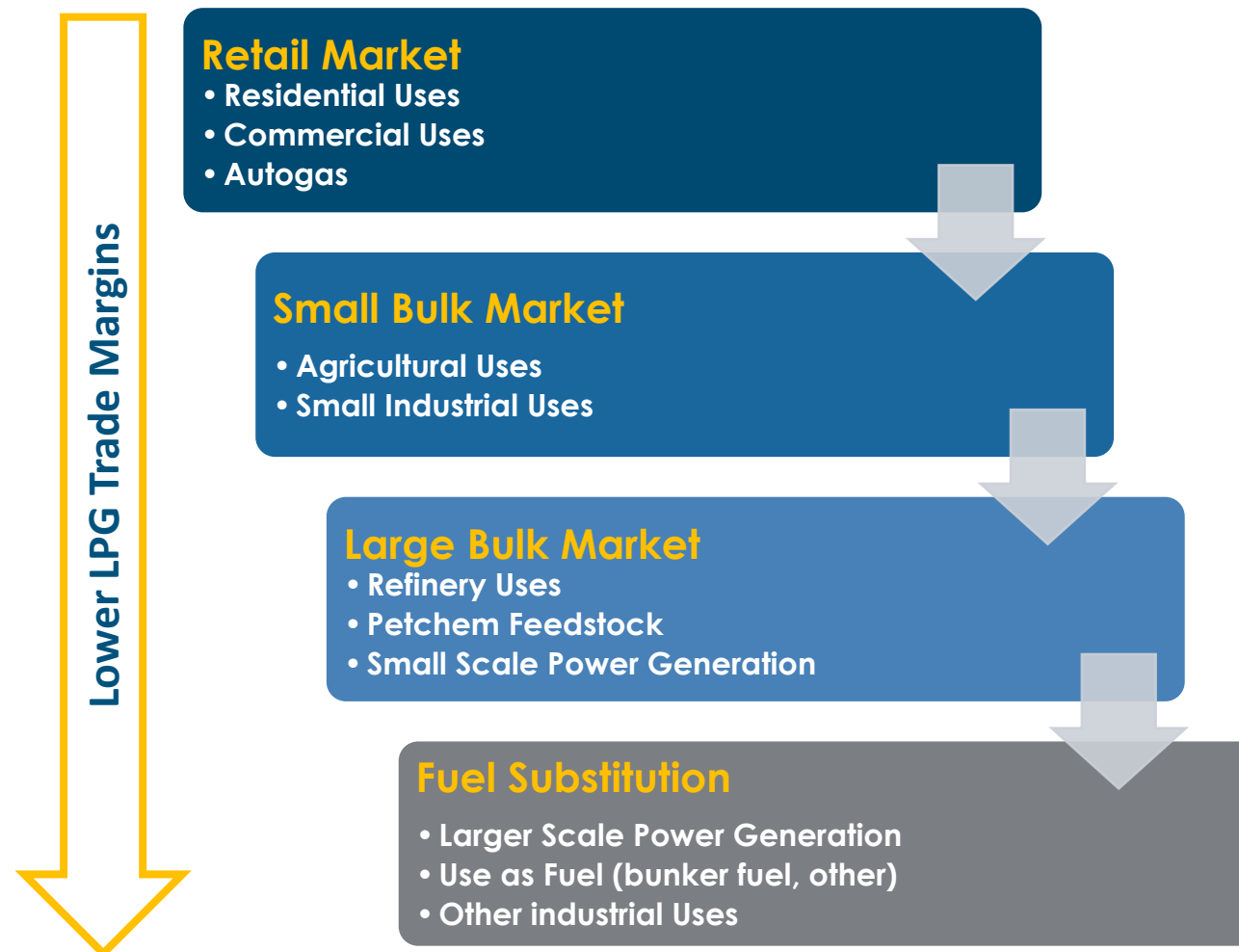


PDH economics support new plants

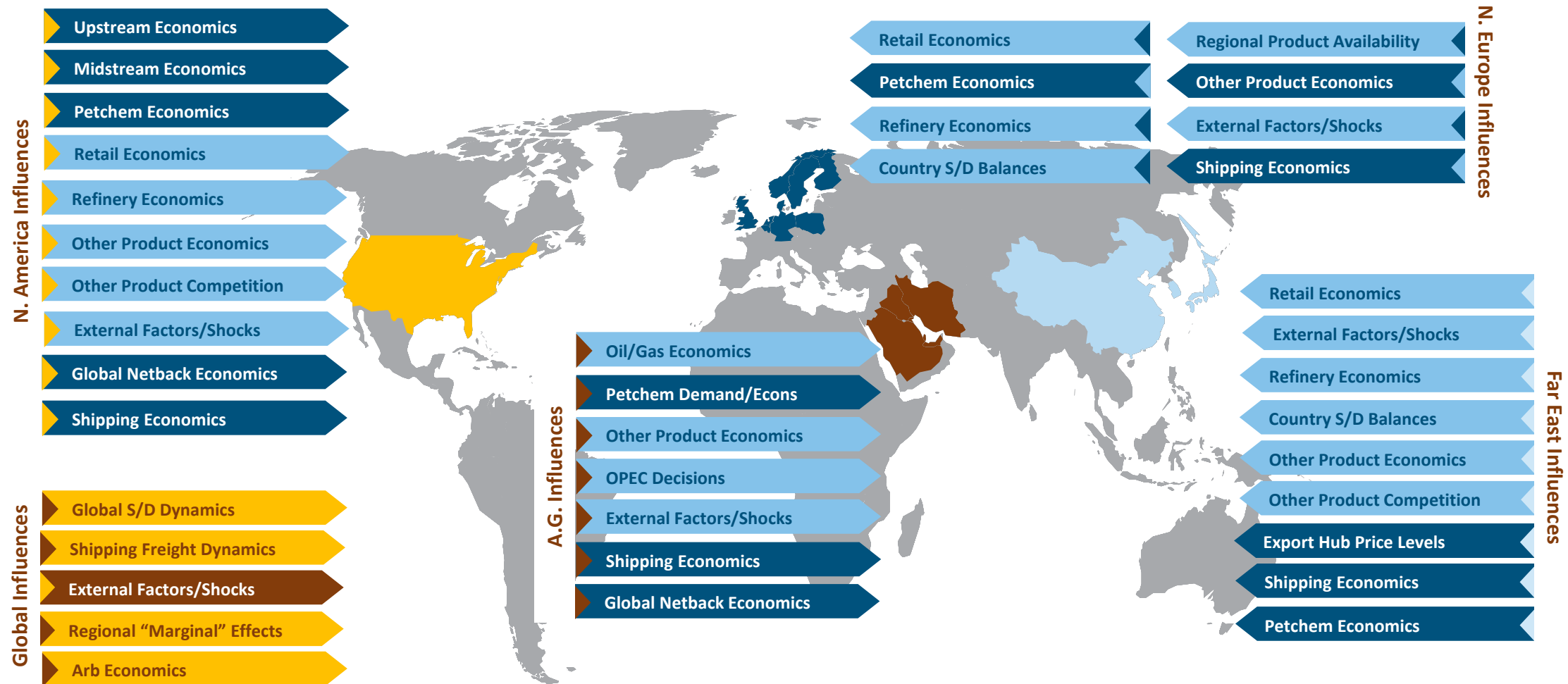


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Pricing is the key to clear the LPG markets

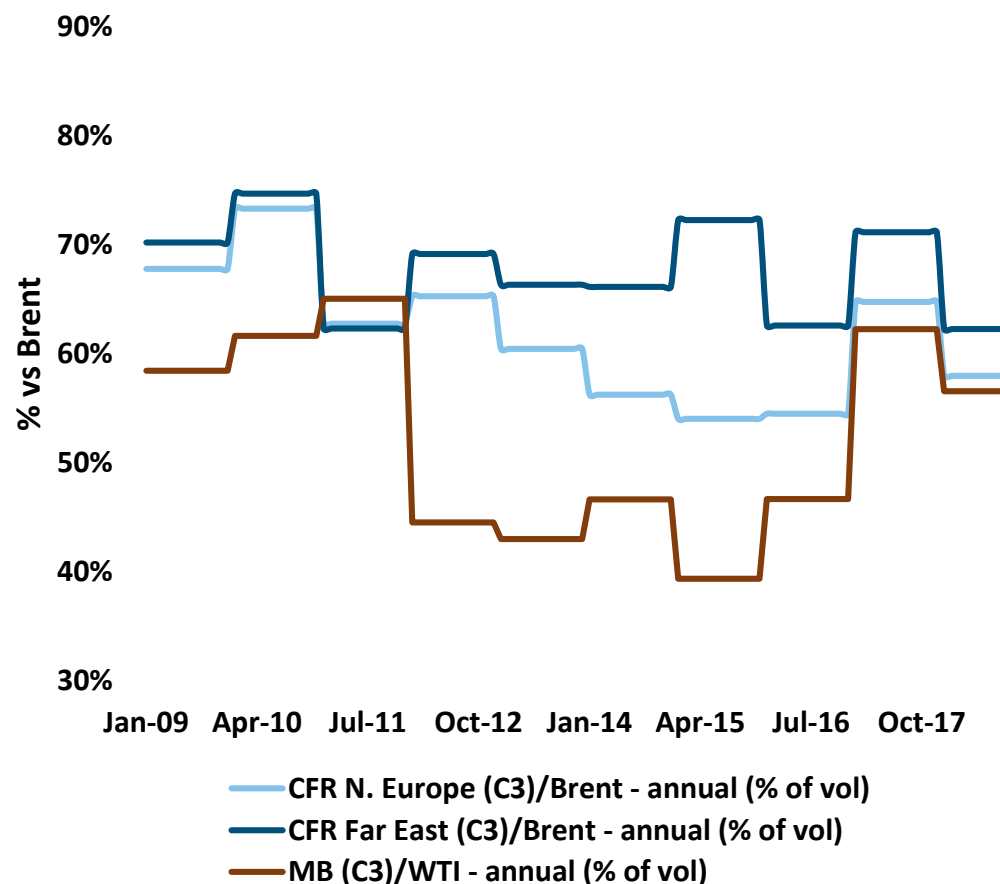


LPG pricing/economics more complex

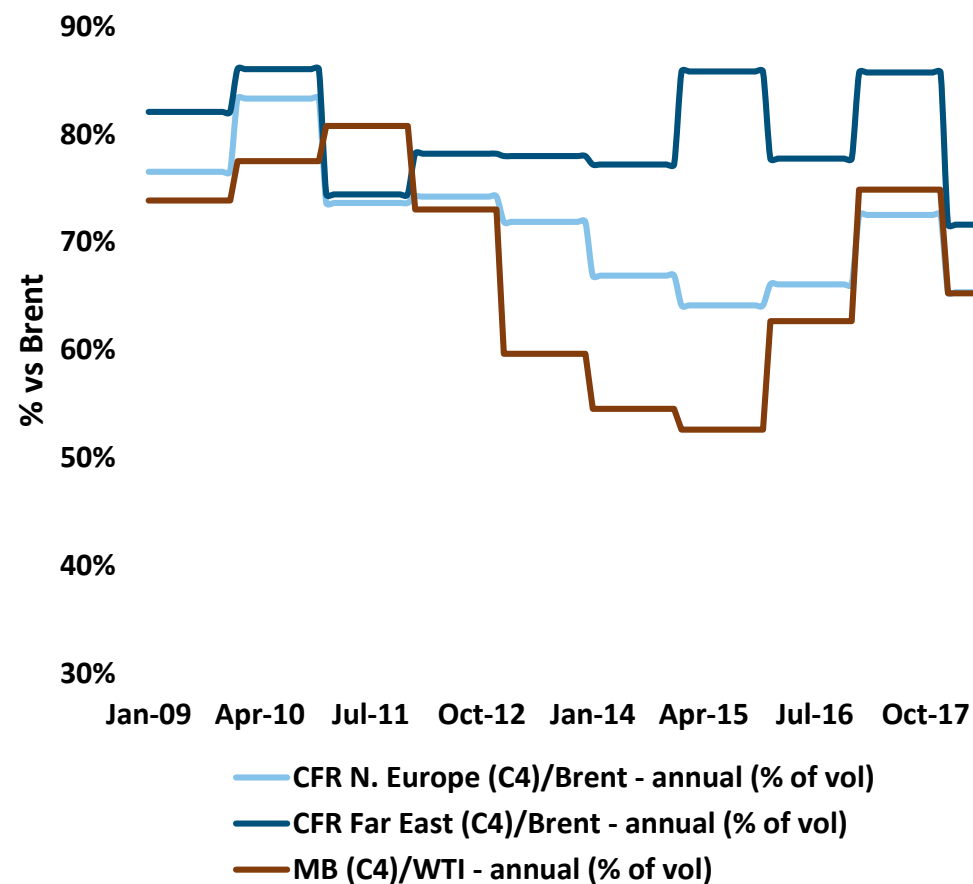


US price fluctuation affects global markets

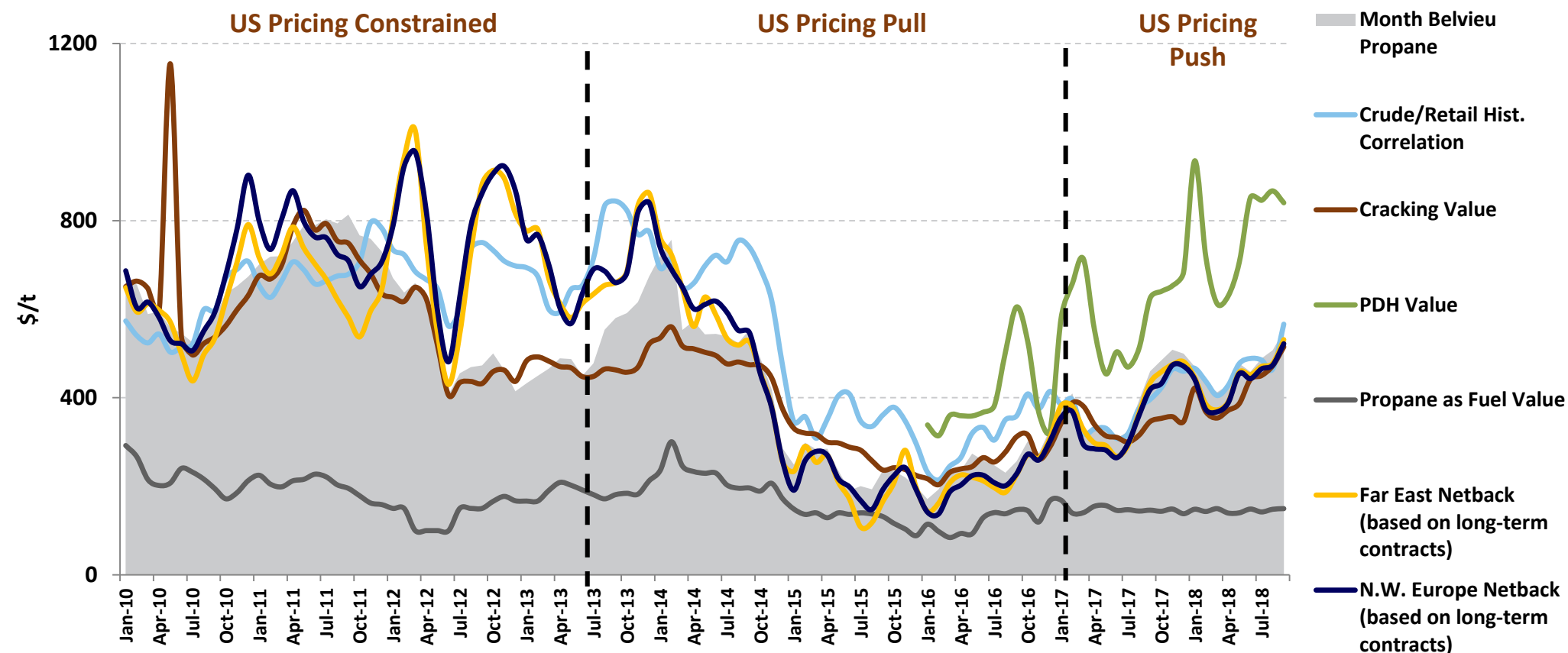
Propane vs Crude (%) 2009-2018



Butane vs Crude (%) 2009-2018

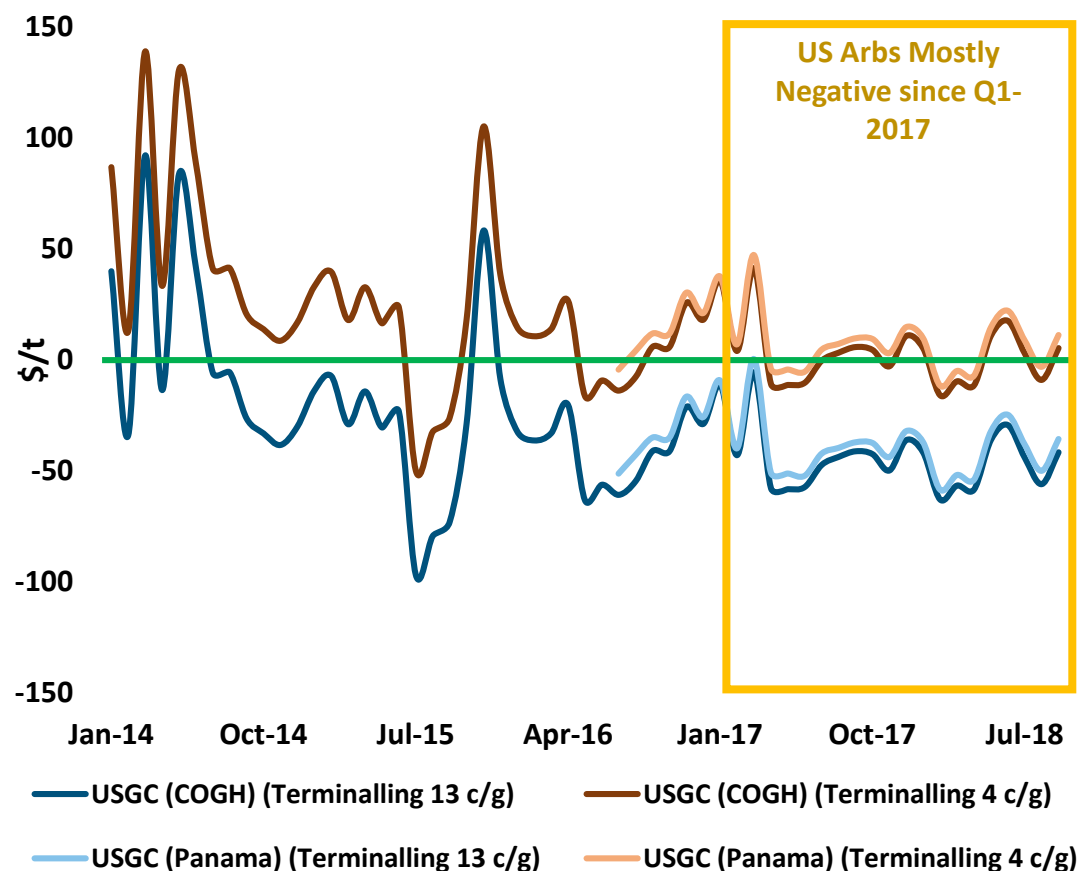


Have US prices become the global setter?

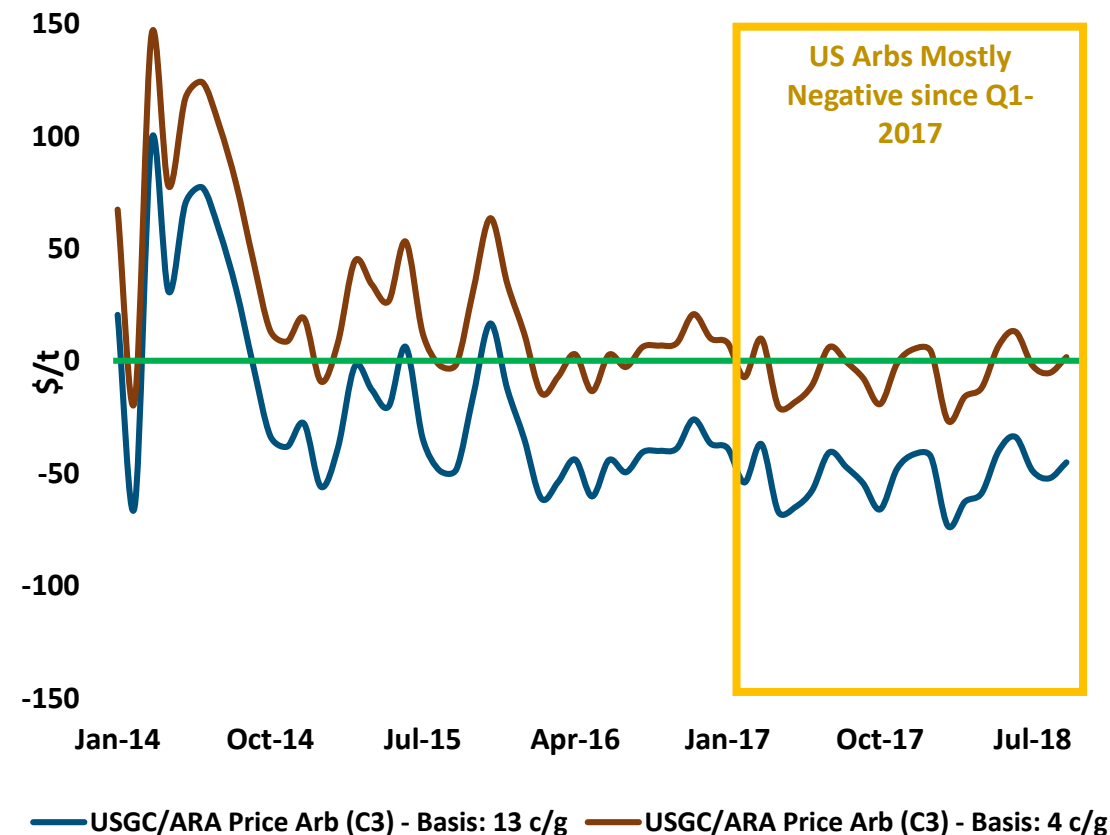


US to markets arbs will need to improve; at whose expense?

USGC to Far East propane arbs



USGC to N. Europe propane arbs



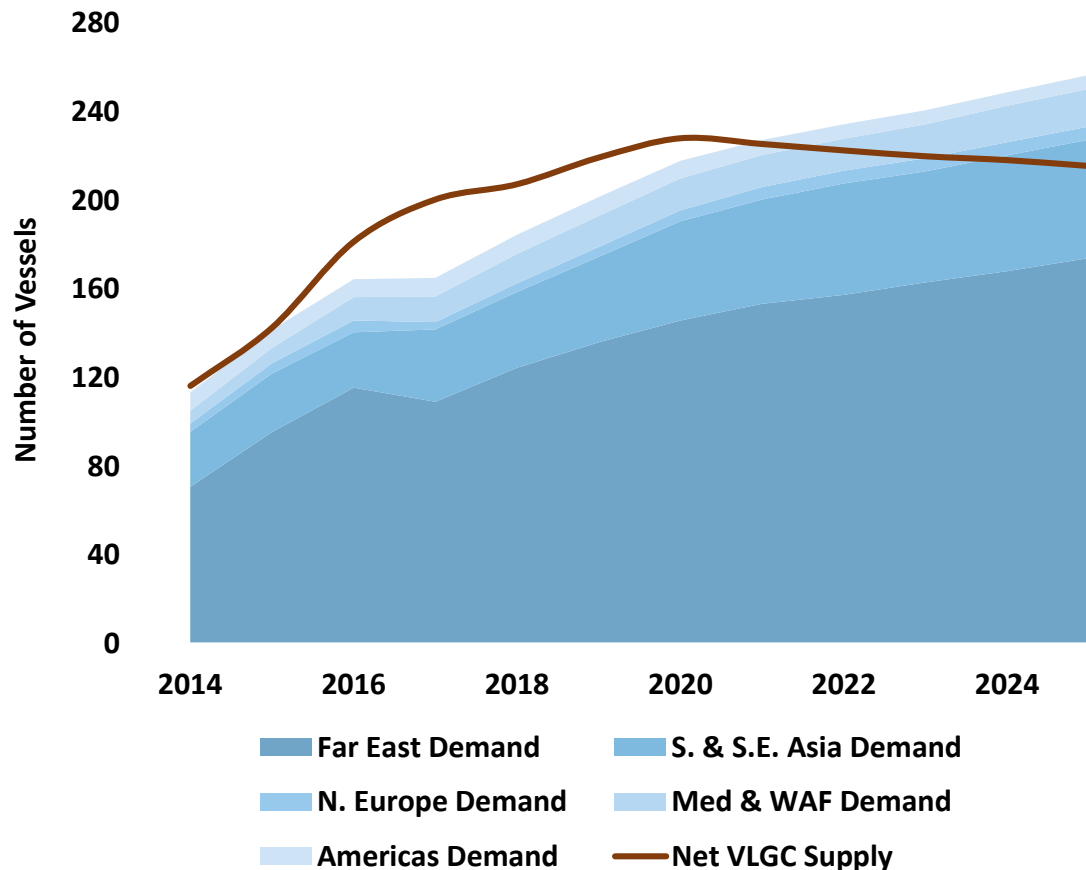
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VLGC market looking upwards in the mid-term

VLGC Supply/Demand balance
Base case scenario



Factors affecting S/D balance

- Utilization (Market, Panama Canal, etc)
- Lay ups/maintenance
- Slow steaming/other trip assumptions
- Port/route congestions
- N/B assumptions
- Competition with smaller segments
- Other

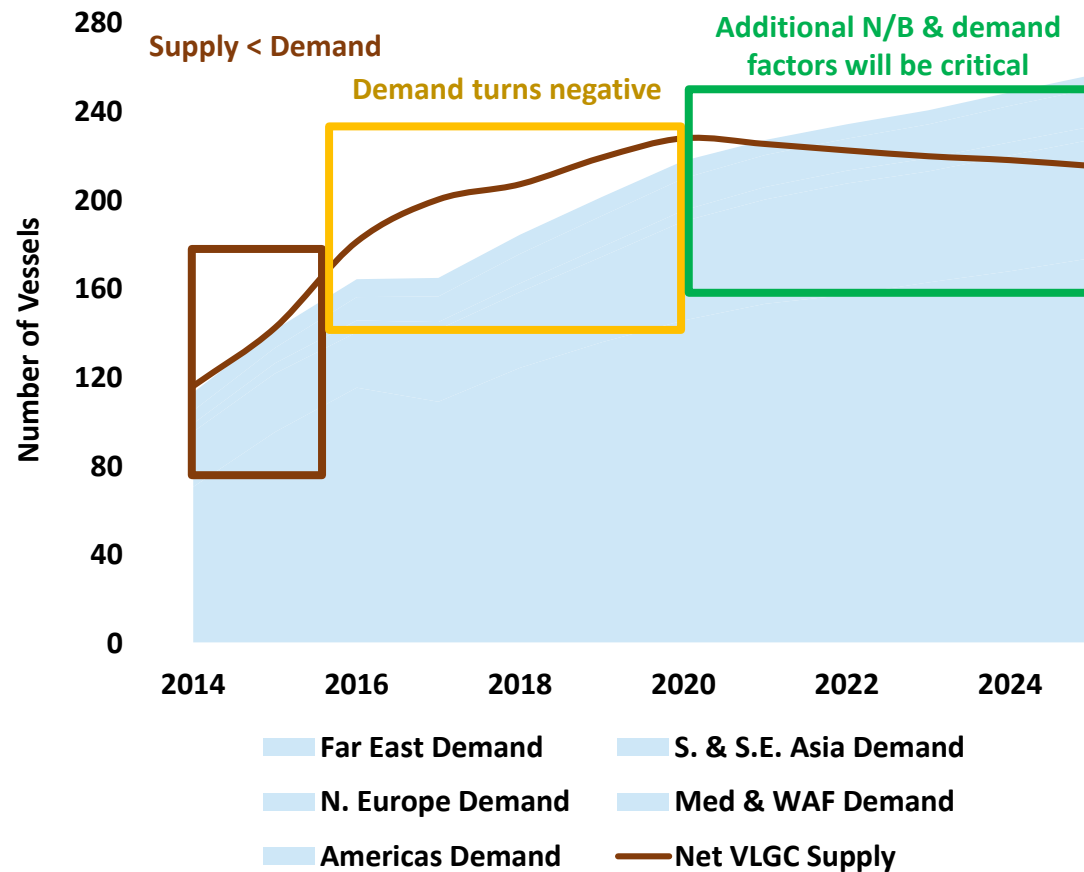
Supply

- Product s/d trade model
- Direction of trade changes
- Trade sensitivities
- Geopolitical assumptions
- Average product carried per trip

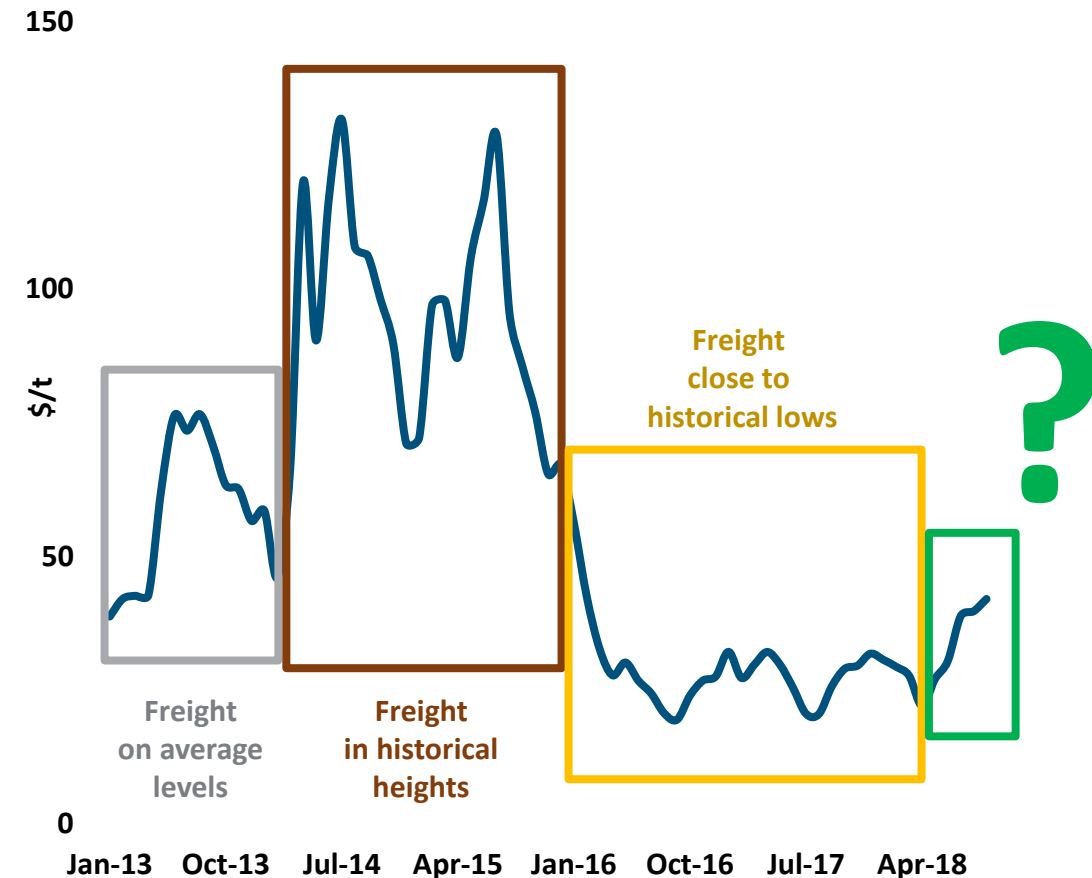
Demand

LPG freight rates highly sensitive

VLGC Supply/Demand balance



VLGC (AG – Japan) spot freight development 2013-2018



Final thoughts



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The beginning of another cycle beyond 2019/20



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Available Multi-client Studies:

August 18: **Petchem Gas Seaborne Trade 2016-2025:**
“Impact of feed costs, developments and opportunities”
August 18: **Propane & Butane Seaborne Trade 2016-2025**
“Where the next wave of LPG exports is heading to?”

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