



Daily Oil Market Comment

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WTI plunged \$1.74 to \$43.47, the largest decline in almost three months, after U.S. gasoline supplies were reported unchanged at 205.7 million barrels in the week ended Aug.20. Most traders had expected a hefty draw with the U.S. summer driving season demand still peaking during the Labour Day holiday weeked Sep 4-6.

Gasoline fell 6.57 cents to \$1.1946, the lowest close since June 30. Crude stocks fell 1.7 million barrels to 291.3 million barrels as refiners operated at 96% of capacity.

Closing Prices Wednesday August 25, 2004:

WTI	\$43.47/bbl	-\$1.74/bbl
Brent	\$40.68/bbl	-\$1.64/bbl
IPE Gasoil	\$384.25/t	-\$8.25/t = -\$1.10/bbl

Asian Day Market Movement

Oil prices slightly rebounded out of short covering but no particular topic in the mkt
Tonight's stock data at USA is expected to be down a bit (Crude and Mogas)

Singapore kero still remains well offered and is seen well supplied in the market due to strong refining margins

Prices As At 5:30PM Singapore Time Tuesday August 25, 2004:

WTI	\$ 45.53/bbl	+0.31/bbl
Brent	\$42.69/bbl	+0.37/bbl
IPE gasoil	\$38 3.50/t	-0.75/t
Singapore Kero	\$53.90/bbl	+0.45/bl