



#### RedLeaf Resources Ecoshale Project Overview DEER 2008

### Energy demand is exploding but "renewable energy" can't fill gap.





## Existing conventional oil production is "peaking"



# Lower extraction costs and demand have accelerated <u>unconventional</u> oil sands.









 <u>Unconventional Hydrocarbons - The hidden</u> opportunity, oil industry consultancy <u>Wood</u> <u>Mackenzie</u>:

*"by 2025 unconventional oil is expected to supply more than 20% of global demand."* 



# Canada's UNCONVENTIONAL climb to the top of world oil reserves.



Source: Oil & Gas Journal Dec. 2004

# American oil shale **dwarfs** all other oil shale reserves – worldwide.







### Quality of USA Oil Shale is superior to Canadian oil sands crude.

Characteristic	Athabasca tar sand	Green River oil shale
Grade (richness)	25 gal bitumen/ton	30 gal kerogen oil/ton
Hydrogen content (tar sand bitumen/kerogen oil) Nitrogen and sulfur	10.5 wt %	11.8 wt %
requiring removal	6.2 wt % (mostly sulfur)	4.0 wt % (mostly pitrogen)
Loss of liquids to		indogon,
coke and gas Net yield of oil	40 lb/ton-ore 0.53 bbl/ton processed	11.6 lb/ton-ore 0.73 bbl/ton
Quality of oil	34° API	38° API



# BLM: 800 billion barrels recoverable oil in Utah, Colorado & Wyoming.







Red Leaf controls oil shale leases containing approximately <u>800 Million to 1.5 billion barrels</u> <u>of oil</u> on Utah state lands – about 16,500 acres.





### First 60 feet down average: 20 gpt



- Down to 63' feet there are an average of 58,830,000 million barrels of oil per square mile.
- \$3.529 billion per square mile at \$60 average oil price.
- 19.91 GPT / Ton





#### Surface Retorts



Lawrence Livermore Laboratory Retort



**Parahoe Retort** 



**Oil Tech Retort** 

## **Retort Problems**

- High co2 output
- Costly steel fabrication
- Clogging of retort
- Handling shale twice
- Spent shale tailings
- Low scalability -- "pin hole" capacity
- High CAPEX



## Shell's New ICP Process

#### Oil Shale Development Concept







#### Freeze Wall Concept





#### **Better Feedstock For Upgrading**









#### **EcoShale Process** In-Capsule Recovery & Reclamation





## **Step 1.** Prepare the Capsule in quarry and add Bentonite permeability barrier





## **Step 4**. Pipes to distribute gas heat are placed in-capsule









## Natural gas or propane fires a burner to heat CSP Embedded in the capsule. Oil shale is produced.





#### EcoShale Process In-Capsule Hydrocarbon Recovery



- Continuous mining reclamation
- Ground water protection
- Surface water protection
- Approximate topography restoration

























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