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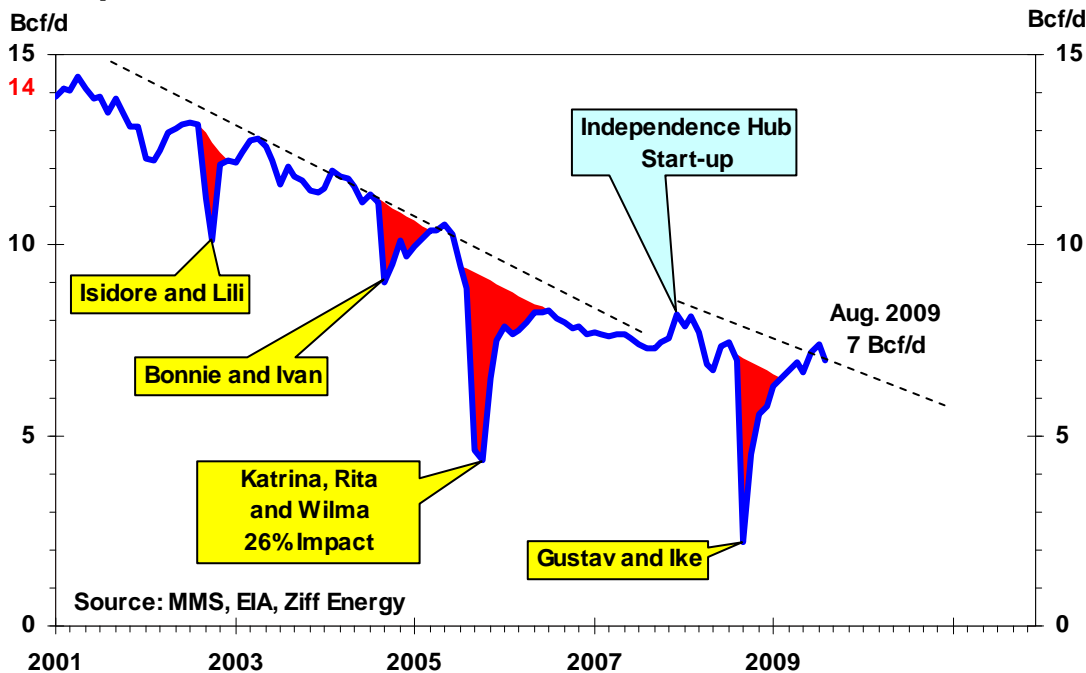
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Gulf of Mexico Gas Production Forecast to 2020

Ziff Energy announces the release of a report which forecasts natural gas production through 2020 for the Gulf of Mexico. By 2020, gas production will fall to 4 Bcf/d from 14 Bcf/d in 2001.

“The overall decline (9%/yr) in gas production since 2000 is due principally to the Shelf and Deep Shelf which, by 2020 will represent under a third of offshore gas production, down from 80% in 2000,” notes Simon Mauger, P.Geol., Director Gas Services. Shelf and Deep Shelf is mostly non-Associated Gas, while Deepwater is mainly Associated Gas. Dana Bozbiciu, Senior Analyst at Ziff Energy said “Our analyses indicates that 9 hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico over the past 7 years (2002-2008) resulted in an average of 10% gas production lost per year”. Figure 1 shows the impact of hurricanes on Gulf of Mexico gas production.

**Figure 1
 Impact of Hurricanes on Gulf of Mexico Gas Production**



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