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Table 9.6. Assumed Rates of Technological Progress for Unconventional Gas Recovery

Technology Group	Item	Type of Deposit	Technology Case		
			Slow	Reference	Rapid
1	Year Hypothetical Plays Become Available	All Types-Non DOE	NA	NA	NA
		All Types-DOE	NA	2016	2009
2	Decrease in Extended Portion of Development Schedule for Emerging Plays (per year)	Coalbed Methane and Tight Sands - Non DOE	0.83%	1.67%	2.50%
		Gas Shales-Non DOE	1.25%	2.50%	3.75%
		All Types - DOE	1.25%	2.50%	3.75%
3	Expansion of Existing Reserves (per year -declining 0.1% per year; eg., 3.0, 2.0...)	Tight Sands	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%
		Coalbed Methane & Gas Shales	2.0%	4.0%	6.0%
4	Increase in Percentage of Wells Drilled Successfully (per year)	All Types	0.1%	0.2%	0.3%
	Year that Best 30 Percent of Basin is Fully Identified	All Types	2100	2044	2031
5	Increase in EUR per Well (per year)	All Types	0.13%	0.25%	0.38%
6	Increase in EUR per Well (per year)	All Types	0.13%	0.25%	0.38%
7	Decrease in Drilling and Stimulation Costs per Well (per year)	All Types	NA	NA	NA
8	Decrease in Water and Gas Treatment O&M Costs per Well (per year)	All Types	NA	NA	NA
9	Year Advanced Well Completion Technologies Become Available	Coalbed Methane	NA	NA	NA
		Tight Sands &Gas Shales	NA	2016	2009
	Increase in EUR per well (total increase)	Coalbed Methane	NA	NA	NA
		Tight Sands	NA	10%	15%
		Gas Shales	NA	20%	30%
10	Year Advanced Recovery Technologies Become Available	Coalbed Methane & Tight Sands	NA	NA	2023
		Gas Shales	NA	NA	NA
	Increase in EUR per well (total increase)	Coalbed Methane	NA	NA	45%
		Tight Sands	NA	NA	15%
		Gas Shales	NA	NA	NA
	Increase in Costs ($1996/Mcf) for Incremental CBM production	Coalbed Methane	NA	NA	1.75
		Tight Sands	NA	NA	0.75
		GasShales	NA	NA	NA
11	Proportion of Areas Current Restricted that become Available for Development (per year)	All Types - Non DOE	0.5%	1.0%	1.5%
		All Types - DOE	0.25%	0.5%	0.75%

EUR = Estimated Ultimate Recovery.
O&M = Operation & Maintenance.
CBM = Coalbed Methane.
NA = Not applicable.
DOE = Those plays in the Rocky Mountain basins assessed as part of Department of Energy sponsored basin studies.
Source: Reference Technology Case, Advanced Resources, International; Slow and Rapid Technology Cases, Energy Information Administration, Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting.