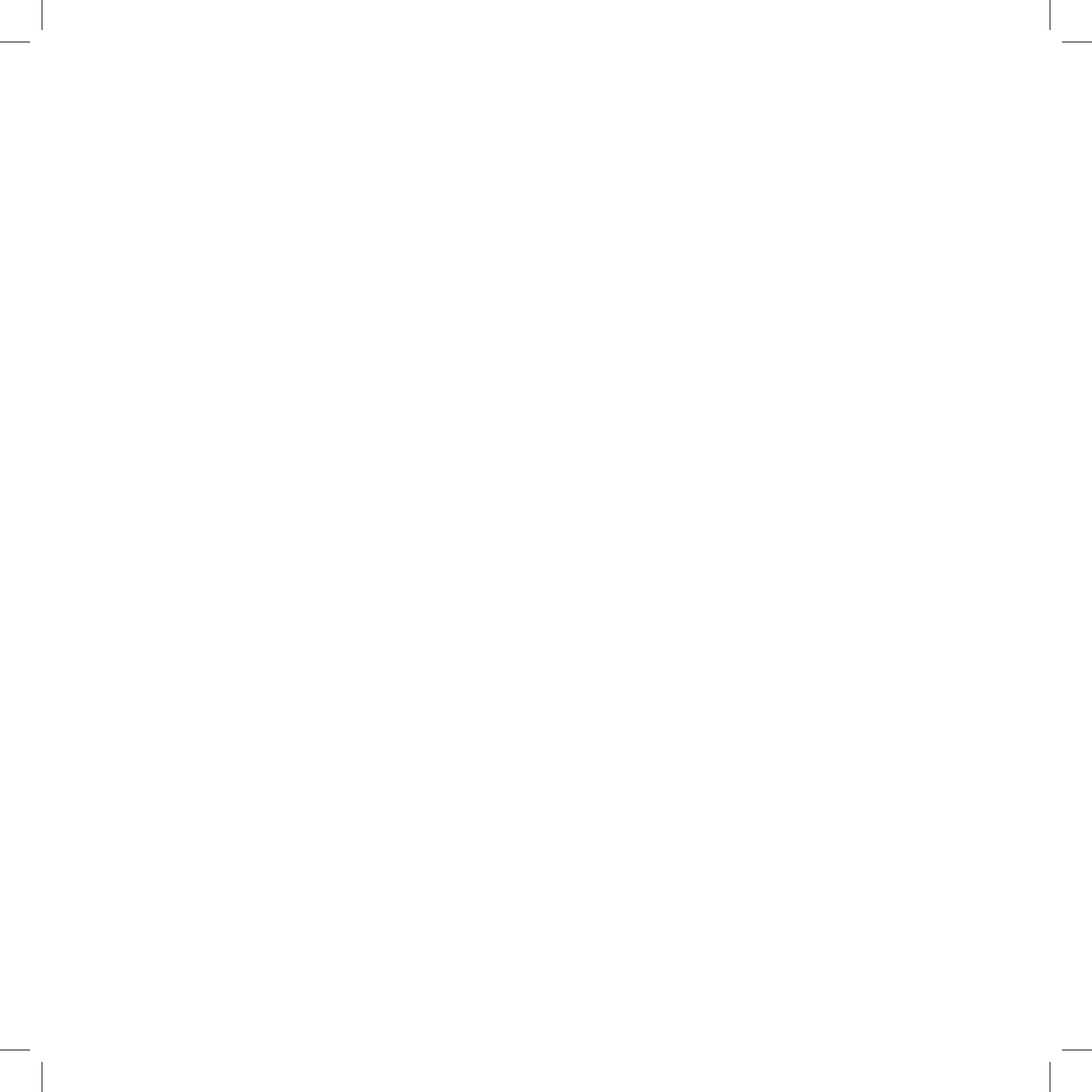




THE TRUTH ABOUT CITGO





Our primary commitment to you remains to responsibly provide a good deal on good fuel and everything else today, tomorrow and for years to come. We want to be there for you at every turn. That's why we are providing the following **FUEL FOR THOUGHT.**

AN OIL PRIMER:

It might come as a surprise, but did you know that...

A large percentage of worldwide supply is controlled by national oil companies from foreign countries. Allowing global politics to influence decisions about energy use could result in an alarmingly small list of “acceptable” options, drastically reducing available supply.

No matter from where it comes, oil is an exchangeable product. Once it reaches the American marketplace it blends together, becoming impossible to ferret out its origins.



Where does the U.S. get its oil?*

Crude oil imports March 2008

*Countries listed in order of import totals
Source: www.eia.doe.gov

A PRICING PRIMER:

What you pay for in a gallon of gasoline...

The cost of raw materials (crude oil) used to produce gasoline is the largest, single component of retail gasoline prices. For example, crude oil makes up almost 75 percent of the price you pay at the pump. Taxes amount to nearly 15 percent of the price of gasoline. And refining costs account for approximately 7 percent of the retail price, with retailing coming in at less than 4 percent.

The price you pay reflects these costs as well as the profits and losses of refiners, marketers, distributors and retail store owners.

Components of U.S. Average* Retail Gasoline Price

2008 Average**



*Weighted average of all grades pooled in all states and D.C.

Note: Crude oil price is near month NYMEX. Tax includes all federal, state, and local sales and excise taxes. Refiner margin equals average wholesale gasoline price minus crude oil cost. Retailer margin equals retail price minus wholesale price and taxes. Margins are not profit margins and do not include processing costs (Refiners) or rent (Retail) or other costs of doing business.

**Average of all survey dates in 2008 through May 2.

Source: Lundberg Survey (www.lundbergsurvey.com)



AMERICAN JOBS Our community of 4,000 CITGO employees and more than 56,000 workers employed by our vast retail network of independent entrepreneurs benefit local, state and national economies.

THE CITGO STORY

We know you face many choices when it comes to spending your gasoline and convenience dollars. And it is our hope that the many facets of the CITGO story will make your choice easier.

LOCAL OWNERSHIP Each of the nearly 8,000 branded retail locations are locally and independently owned. They are an integral and vital part of the communities in which they serve.

HERITAGE CITGO has a rich heritage as an enduring American success story dating back close to 100 years.

REFINING MIGHT CITGO is a refining powerhouse, with 749,000 barrels-per-day of refining capacity. We provide a reliable source of fuel that helps neighborhood businesses succeed.

AMPLE AND ACCESSIBLE SUPPLY With access to the largest crude reserves in the Western Hemisphere, CITGO receives supply from PDVSA's wellhead in Venezuela in days as opposed to weeks.



SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT Our total outlay of more than \$80 million to worthwhile causes was more than twice the average percentage of revenues of the *Fortune* 100 companies and five times that of other energy industry companies. And our planned contributions for 2008 currently total more than \$120 million.

CITGO Gives More

	Total Giving (2006)	Total Giving as % of Revenue
<i>Fortune</i> 100 Companies	\$50.1 Million	0.10%
Energy Industry Companies	\$49.8 Million	0.04%
Companies with Revenues \$25 Billion to \$50 Billion	\$41.3 million	0.13%
CITGO (2007)	\$80.7 million	0.21%

Source: "Giving in Numbers 2007 Edition," published by the Committee for Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy



SAFETY The people of CITGO demonstrate an impressive commitment to safety for the benefit of our communities, our environment and each other. We come together and invest millions every year in safety education and implementation, earning one of the best safety performance ratings in the industry.



ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

In addition to our commitment to spend more than \$1 billion on refining projects that help improve the environment, CITGO is combining environmental stewardship with social responsibility efforts through programs such as Energy Efficient Lighting and Bronx River Conservation.



