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AS I SEE IT — JOE MERNKA, GENERAL MANAGER

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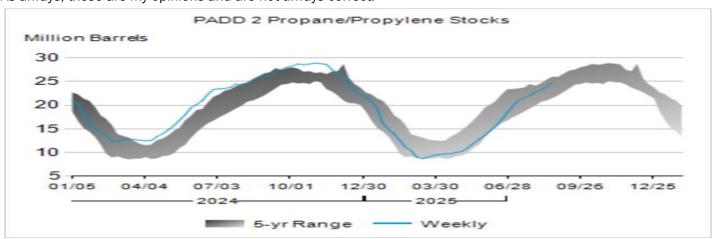
\Market Update:

I am writing this article this month on Thursday, August 28th. The current talks in the energy world on the global market seem to be centered around the typical OPEC discussions and seem to be less concerned with geopolitical issues at the moment. World crude inventory remains strong. Diesel inventory levels remain low domestically and again are strong on a global market. Due to the low levels domestically on diesel, we continue to see a premium being placed on diesel pricing compared to crude pricing and gas pricing. The stage is being set for a potential low inventory, high demand for harvest, which more than likely will produce increased pricing. I am still encouraging contracting for diesel for the fall. Please see the chart showing the crude, gas, distillate (diesel), and propane inventories according to the EIA report released on August 27th.

EIA - Inventory Results Reported on			August 27, 2025		
	Today's Report	Last Report	Variance		
Crude>	418.3	420.7	-2.4	Draw	Million Barrels
Gasoline>	222.3	223.6	-1.3	Draw	Million Barrels
Distillate>	114.2	116.0	-1.8	Draw	Million Barrels
Propane>	93.0	91.2	1.8	Build	Million Barrels
Propane Breakdown by PADD	Today's Report	last week	Variance		
PADD 1 - Propane - East Coast >	7.9	8.4	-0.5	Draw	Million Barrels
PADD 2 - Propane - Mid-West >	24.7	23.9	8.0	Build	Million Barrels
PADD 3 - Propane - Gulf Coast >	55.5	54.2	1.3	Build	Million Barrels
PADD's IV & V > >	4.9	4.8	0.1	Build	Million Barrels

Propane is seeing typical builds for this time of year and continues to follow the same trend line as last year. In talking with different ag producers over the past couple of weeks, there is uncertainty on corn drying demand. Rust is causing yield loss in some areas which will obviously hurt the yield and the drying potential. On the other hand, potential week root structure for the plant is leading some thoughts on combining as soon as possible which would lead to increased dryer demand. It will be interesting to see what actually transpires. Propane inventories remain strong and should assist in keeping prices lower as we head into the winter. Speculation on a cold winter (finally, in my view,) could mean a draw on inventory throughout the season and price increasing. Again, I would recommend contracting your propane needs for the heating season if you haven't done so already. Please see below for a chart showing the inventory status as reported by PADD 2.

As always, these are my opinions and are not always correct.



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