

Macondo Thoughts



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Culture Matters

"I encourage you to look for the correlation between well-run, successful companies, and those who are most competent in safety. If you can get safety right, then you are likely to be very good at managing your operations effectively."

Lee Raymond - ExxonMobil March 9, 2005 Two weeks before BP's Texas City Refinery Explosion



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The Invisible Hand of the Market?

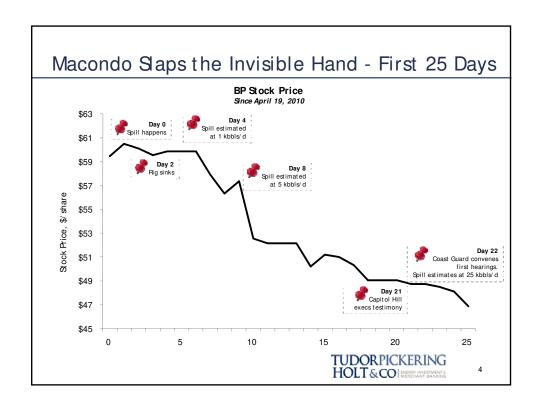
- Space Shuttle Challenger -1986
 - Rockwell International -shuttle and shuttle engines
 - Lockheed -ground support
 - Martin Marietta -external fuel tanks
 - Morton Thiokol -solid fuel booster rockets
- Trading halted in Thiokol only
 - End of trading day -Thiokol down 12%..others down ~2%

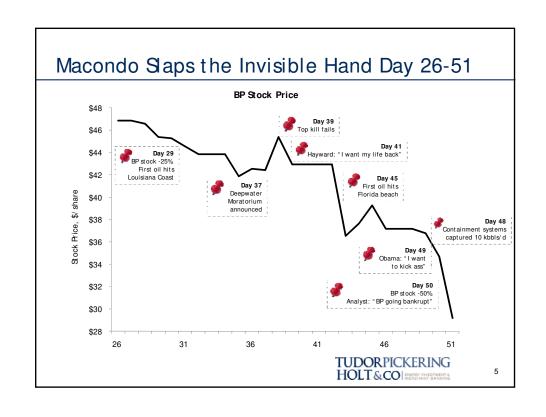
"perplexing situation that while the markets appear to work in practice, we are not sure how they work in theory". Maureen O'Hara - Cornell

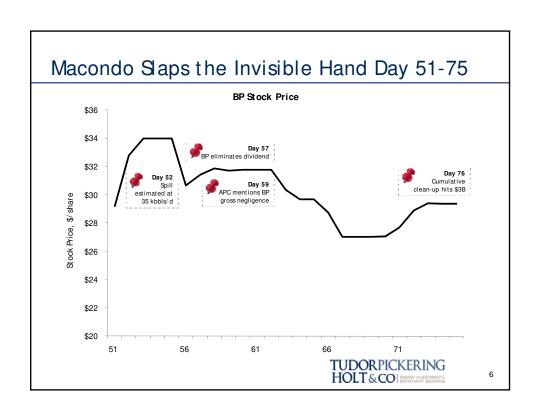


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