

**Early Morning Update:**

The May18 natural gas contract is trading down \$0.02 at \$2.71. The June18 crude contract is down \$0.95 at \$67.45.

**Summary:** The NG market saw a near complete reversal of the prior days' trading activity, with the prompt month up \$.079 (down \$.078 the day prior) to close at \$2.739. It's really just getting back to the ~\$2.70 level, where trading has been centered since early February. Milder temperatures seem set to finally arrive along the east coast after a miserably cold March and April. This should allow for heating-demand levels to fall a bit, after being higher than last years' levels by over 8 Bcf/d.

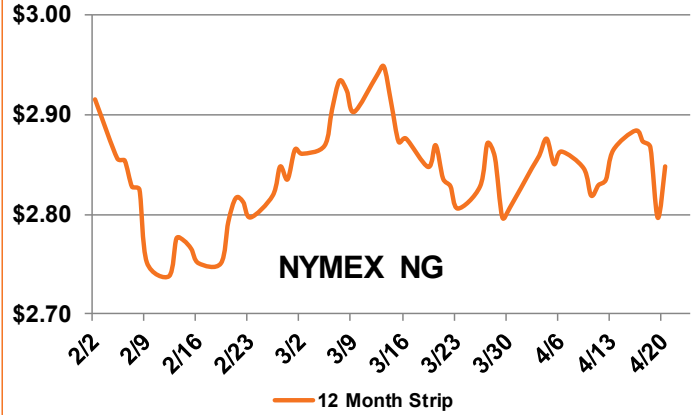
On the power side, eastern markets continue to creep higher due to higher index pricing. Texas summers sold off slightly and California was quiet.

**Bullish Factors**

- Lingering cold weather
- LNG exports ramping up
- Exports to Mexico at all-time high

**Bearish Factors**

- NG production at record levels
- Growing renewable energy generation



**Next Day On-Peak Power (traded for 4/23/2018)**

<b>ISO-NE Mass Hub</b> \$30.13	<b>MISO Indiana Hub</b> \$37.16	<b>NYISO Zone G</b> \$36.52
<b>PJM West Hub</b> \$36.12	<b>ERCOT North</b> \$29.17	<b>CAISO SP15</b> \$32.46
<b>NYMEX NG</b>	<b>Close</b>	<b>Change</b>
Apr-18	2.739	0.079
May-18	2.767	0.072
12 Month	2.848	0.052
Cal 19	2.732	0.017
Cal 20	2.708	0.002

**EIA Natural Gas Storage**

<b>EIA Reported Storage (Bcf)</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Last Week</b>	<b>Last Year</b>	<b>5-Year Avg.</b>
<b>Total</b>	1,299	1,335	2,107	1,748
<b>Diff v. Current</b>		-36	-808	-449
<b>% Diff</b>			-38.3%	-25.7%

