## Integration of Agricultural and Energy Systems

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## Near Term Considerations

- Who will survive in pig production?
- What will be the length and intensity of the cost of production shocks?
- How quickly will the pork industry reduce production in response to losses?

## Long Term Issues

- How long will corn remain king of the bio-fuel feed stocks?
- □ Will new conversion processes with more valuable feed co-products become a part of the corn-based bio-fuel industry?
- Corn-How high for yields and acres?

## Long Term Issues #2

- What will be the long term effects of higher prices on meat consumption?
  - In the first world?
  - In the rapidly developing world?
- Will future U.S. government policies balance food and fuel priorities?