Market Price Considerations Week Beginning

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Near Term Summary Considerations:

- × 10-Year US Treasury Yield: Near term potentially slightly bullish with a lower yield
- **US** Dollar Index: Corrective, more weakness than strength, defining a trading range
- **CRB** Index: Global macro forces in general remain supportive as global growth and reflationary forces bear fruit
- * <u>\$WTIC Light Crude Oil</u>: A very important indicator of a confirmed commodity breakout would be Light Crude Oil closing and holding above \$55 per barrel. Geo-economic and geopolitical issues seem to dominate price action. Technically this market appears in search of higher highs, fundamentals suggest some corrective price action should be anticipated
- * Soybeans: More price weakness has occurred since the week of February 13, 2017 than anticipated. Corrective price action appears to be underway. We still need confirmation of near term bullish price potential. Confirmation would provide a potential price move toward the previous June 2016 \$12.08 per bushel high or higher
- Corn: Corrective price action underway. The potential of achieving a price level of \$4.11- plus per bushel remains in play

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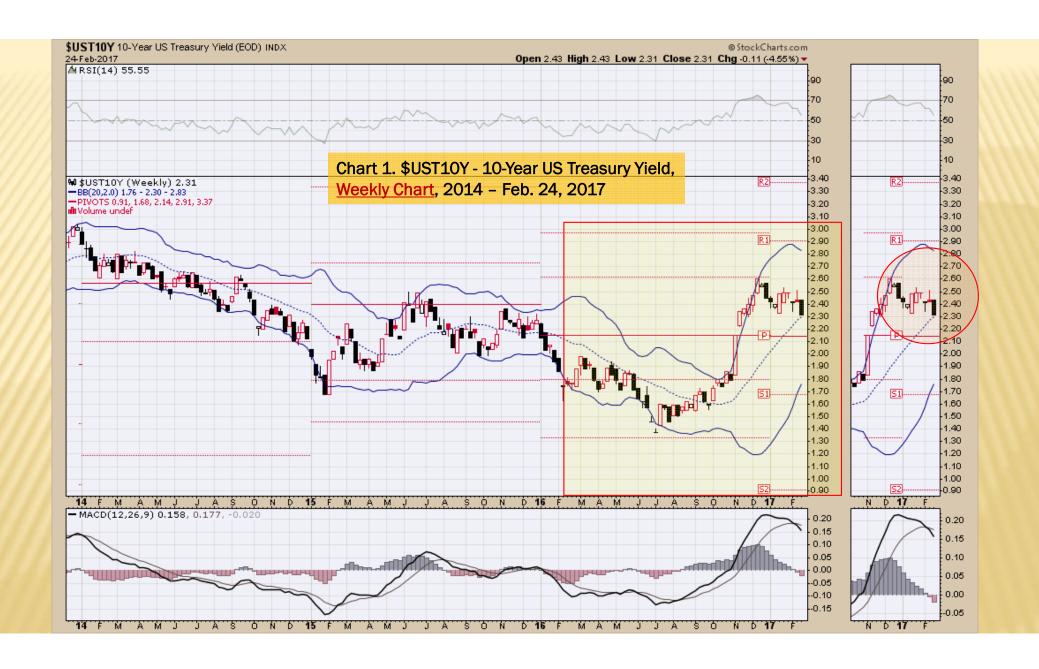
- * Rice: Price will move in sympathy with grain prices and global strength and economic momentum. Lagging demand and global food security concerns are problematic. I cannot emphasis strongly enough that overplanting in 2017 given present fundamentals would provide added market challenges. Producers overriding consideration for 2017 should be managing for a quality grain kernel.
- Cotton: Corrective price action underway with a bullish price objective into the 84-cent area stills remains in play
- * Wheat: Corrective price action underway with a bullish price potential to \$4.95 still a possibility
- <u>SPY SPDR S&P 500 ETF:</u> Bullish price action and positive trend, prices can always correct or consolidate and give back some of their gains
- × QQQ NASDAQ Power Shares: Another record week, corrective price action needed, but not required
- **EFA iShares ETF Global Equities Excluding U.S. and Canada:** Building momentum and price strength
- **EEM iShares ETF, Emerging Market Equities:** Broke out above the previous September high

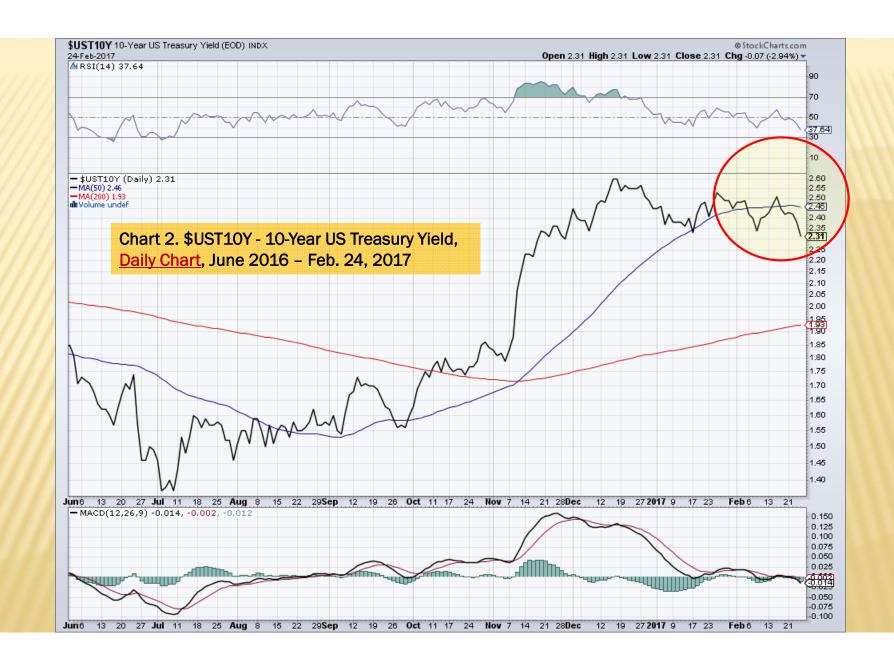
\$UST10Y - 10 Year US Treasury Yield Monthly Charts - Presentation

Near Term

Primary Consideration:

- Near term potentially slightly bullish with a lower yield
- This is a market that likely builds a trading range for the next one to two years with Global Government and Central Bank intervention and unfolding global events defining potential upside with a potential top at 3-possibly higher
- We simply need to allow chart activity to provide guidance
- Present market structure suggests financial institutions and borrowers are winners at these levels
- Some suggest the 35 year bull bond market will be over with a yield that holds above 2.6, others at 3.0;
 Actually, global fiscal and monetary policy market intervention likely make picking these points very premature.
- This is a market that could simply move sideways for a few years and even revisit the previous low or make a new low







US Dollar Index Weekly, Daily, and Monthly Charts

Near Term

Primary Considerations:

- Corrective, more weakness than strength, defining a trading range
- The following determines sideways consolidation for a period or a resumption of the dollar's move to the upside:
 - 2017 European Union management/mismanagement a key factor in dollar strength or weakness in the year ahead
 - <u>Bigger Picture</u>: Global interventionist Government and Central Bank activities will define dollar strength or weakness over the next 3 to 12 months, including President Trump's currency, trade, regulatory policy objectives







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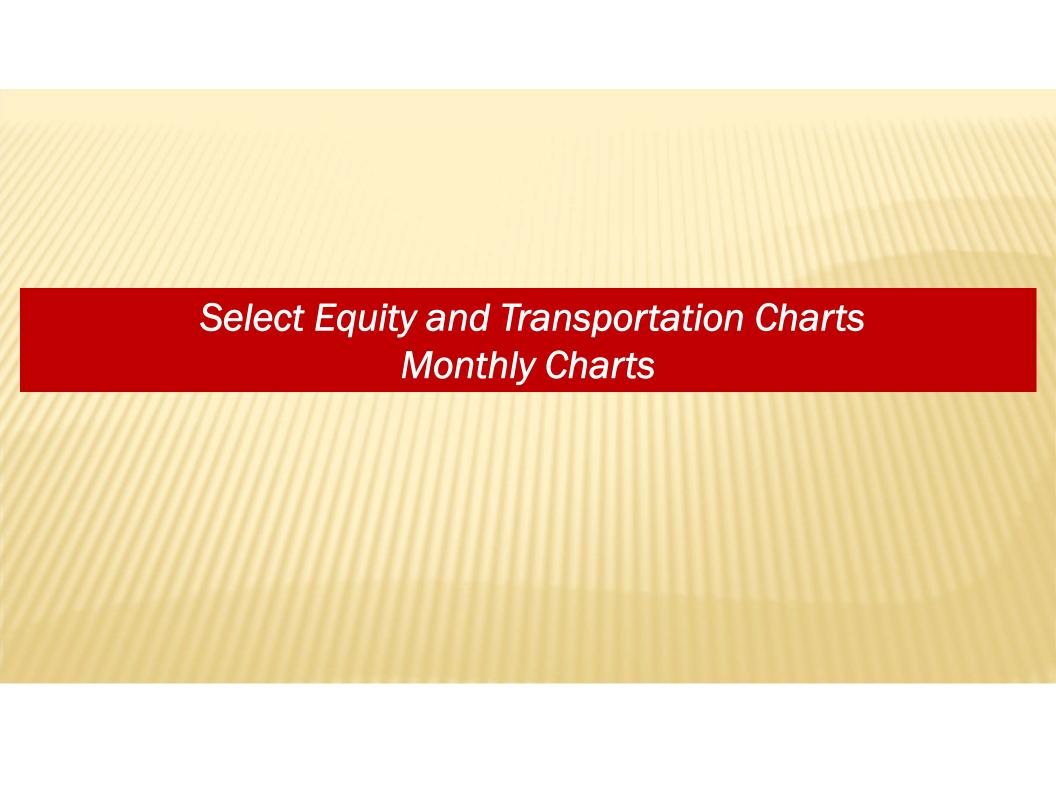






















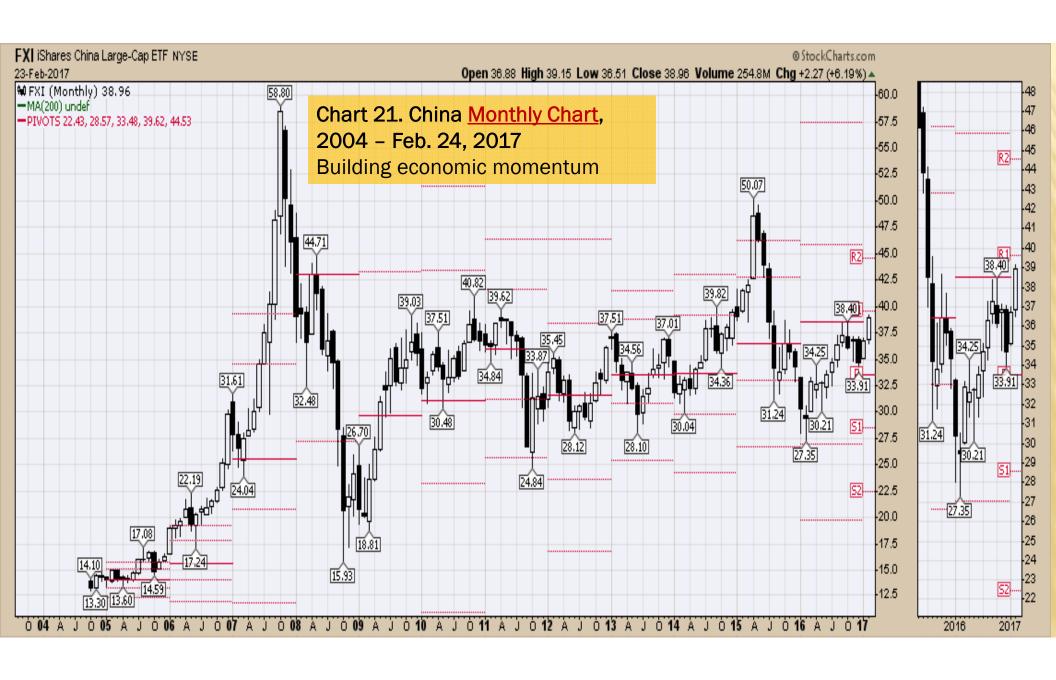




















CRB Commodity Index Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

Near Term Primary consideration:

- This indicator has been struggling since the week of February 13, 2017 due in-part to Fed verbal guidance
- Global macro forces in general remain supportive as global growth and reflationary forces bear fruit
- That said, for the CRB Commodity Index to move higher will likely be a function of oil
 price leadership and/or broad commodity support, a reasonably stable to weaker dollar
 and belief and confidence in global fiscal/monetary policy leadership
- The \$CRB below 180 would be a dangerous negative







\$WTIC Light Crude Oil Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

Near Term

Primary Consideration:

- A very important indicator of a confirmed commodity breakout would be Light Crude Oil closing and holding above \$55 per barrel. Geo-economic and geopolitical issues seem to dominate price action. Technically this market appears in search of higher highs, fundamentals suggest some corrective price action should be anticipated
- 2017 Likely primary range \$40 to \$60 with possible high in \$72 area
- Washington Leadership likely bullish U.S. production
- OPEC and other oil producers have major role in defining 2017 price structure
- Global uncertainties supportive of prices







Soybeans Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

Near Term

Primary Consideration:

More price weakness has occurred since the week of February 13, 2017 than anticipated.
 Corrective price action appears to be underway. We still need confirmation of near term bullish price potential. Confirmation would provide a potential price move toward the previous June 2016 \$12.08 per bushel high or higher

Additional Thought:

 Market participants appear to have a risk appetite. Being short means at least having close mental stops







Corn Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

Near Term

Primary consideration:

 Corrective price action underway. The potential of achieving a price level of \$4.11- plus per bushel remains in play







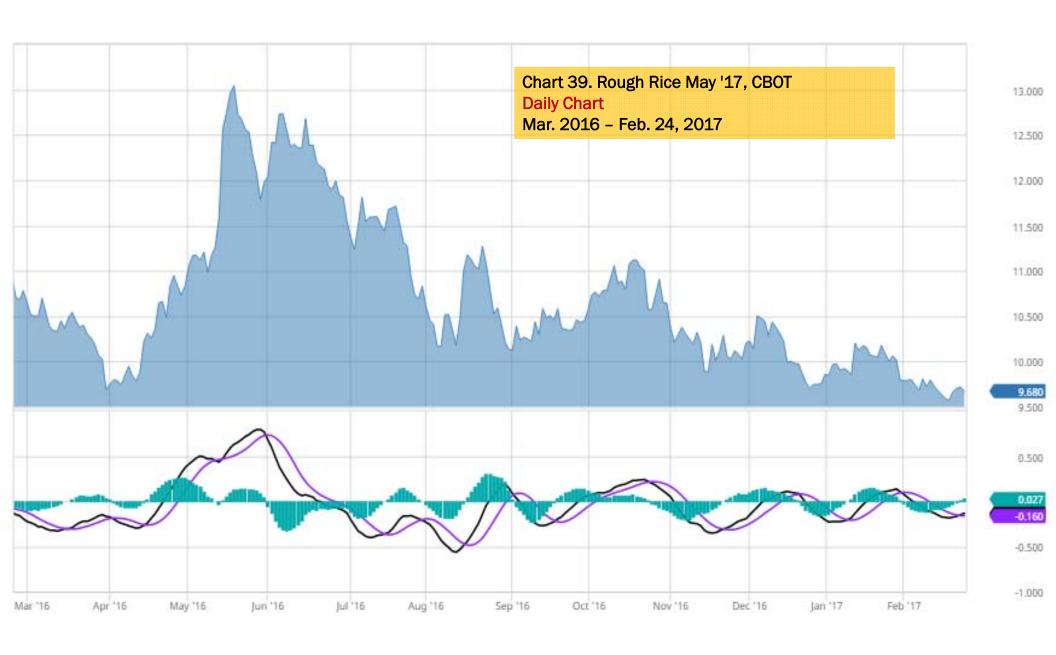
Rice Quarterly and Daily Charts

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Cotton Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

Near Term

Primary Consideration:

- Fed verbal guidance and fiscal and trade policy considerations appear to have created some near term headwinds for cotton market prices
- Corrective price action underway with a bullish price objective into the 84-cent area stills remains in play







Wheat Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

Near Term

Primary consideration:

Corrective price action underway with a bullish price potential to \$4.95 still a possibility





