Preface

This small book represents an attempt to make the main features of the Chinese oil industry available in English. It was written by two professionals from the China University of Petroleum in rough English. Coauthor Charles Hall did his best to modify the English so that the meaning was clear to English-speaking readers while preserving a little of the flavor of Chinese ways of communicating.

What China does or does not do about petroleum will have an enormous impact on the future of global petroleum. The Chinese Economy is now the second largest in the world, and its use of oil, increasingly imported, will have major impacts on the rest of the world.

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