

PETROVIETNAM OIL & GAS GROUP PETROVIETNAM POWER CORPORATION DAILY NEWS

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INTERNATIONAL COAL PRICE ASSESSMENTS

Daily prompt physical thermal coal assessments	Window 7 – 45 day	+/-	Window 90 - day	+/-
FOB Newcastle 6,300 GAR	97.50	-1.25	97.65	-1.00
CIF ARA 6,000 NAR	91.40	-1.40	93.15	-0.85
FOB Richards Bay 5,500 NAR	74.70	+0.00	N/A	N/A
FOB Kalimantan 5,900 GAR	N/A	N/A	83.60	+0.00
FOB Kalimantan 5,000 GAR	N/A	N/A	67.00	+0.10

China Coal Assessment	USD/tons	+/-	NDT/tons	+/-
PCC6 (CFR South China 3,800 NAR)	54.65	-0.20	360.70	-0.96
PCC7 (CFR South China 4,700 NAR)	75.30	+0.00	496.99	+0.48
PCC8 (CFR South China 5,500 NAR)	88.20	+0.00	582.13	+0.57

DAILY PROMPT PHYSICAL THERMAL COAL ASSESSMENTS IN 2017



⁽Source: Platts Coal Trader International – Date 19/10/2017)

NEWS

America's biggest coal miner is earning more in Australia

While Peabody Energy Corp. will mine most of its coal in the U.S. this year, the St. Louis-based company's Australian operations were the star of its third-quarter performance. Peabody is now pulling in more earnings from Australia, according to a statement Wednesday. That's in line with a strategy hammered home by Chief Executive Officer Glenn Kellow, an Aussie himself, since the company emerged from bankruptcy in April: Focus more on maximizing shareholder returns and less on how many tons it can dig from the ground. Peabody plans to sell five times more coal this year from the U.S. than Australia. But all those tons are thermal coal, mostly burned by U.S. power plants, that often fetch just over \$10 a ton. In Australia, about a third of Peabody's production is metallurgical coal, a steelmaking component that generally commands higher prices. What's more, its thermal coal division has enjoyed seaborne prices -- thanks in part to rising Asian imports -- much higher than in recent years.

The result: Peabody's Australian unit brought in 59 percent of the company's \$411 million in thirdquarter earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. Peabody shares rose 3 percent to \$30.95 at 3:06 p.m. in New York, the highest since the company emerged from bankruptcy. Earnings at Peabody's sprawling Wyoming mines -- the source of an expected 125 million tons of sales this year -- fell slightly to \$113 million. Meanwhile, Peabody's Australian thermal coal unit -which will sell around 20 million tons this year -- saw earnings double to \$98 million.

China's coal imports from North Korea down 71.6%

China's fuel imports from North Korea dropped massively in September from a year earlier and imports of iron ore and lead concentrate also declined following the UN's latest sanctions against North Korea, Reuters reported, citing Chinese customs data released on Tuesday. China's coal imports from North Korea fell 71.6 percent year-on-year to 511,619 tons in September, said the General Administration of Customs. The data showed the final shipments allowed through customs before the UN's sanctions became effective on September 5. The UN Security Council sanctions forbid North Korea from exporting coal, iron ore, lead ore and seafood to overseas markets. China has been comprehensively and strictly carrying out the UN sanctions against North Korea to fulfill China's international obligations, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Geng Shuang said at Tuesday's press conference in Beijing. China announced on September 22 that it will ban energy supplies to North Korea and stop importing its textiles in accordance with the UN sanctions.

East Kentucky Power co-op buys more than 50,000 st of spot coal in September

East Kentucky Power Cooperative bought more than 50,000 st of spot coal in September for its 1,371-MW Spurlock and 341-MW Cooper coal-fired power plants, according to a new regulatory filing. The Winchester-based generation and transmission co-op paid as much as \$67.28/st for 4,792 st of 13,270 Btu/lb coal from Southern Appalachian Coal to supply Cooper through the month, according to the Kentucky Public Service Commission filing, filed Friday. Cooper is located near Somerset. EKPC also bought 15,491 st of 12,841 Btu/lb coal for \$66.34/st from Blackhawk Coal Sales, also for Cooper. During September, the co-op bought just over 32,000 st of spot coal, ranging from 11,514 Btu/lb to 12,478 Btu/lb, at an average \$43.84/st for Spurlock, located near Maysville. EKPC bought the coal from several suppliers, including River Trading, Oxford Mining and Alliance Resource Partners' large River View underground mine near Uniontown. EKPC coal buyer West Kidd referred questions about the spot purchases to Nick Comer, a spokesman with the co-op, who declined to comment on the spot buys during a Tuesday interview, saying the information is confidential. The co-op appears to have made some minor headway in September on reducing the

coal stockpile at Spurlock's Gilbert Unit 3 and Spurlock-4. They started the month with a combined stockpile of 405,377 st and ended with 391,029 st still on the ground. Cooper, meanwhile, had a stockpile of 139,773 st at the start of September and 148,498 st at the close of the month.

(Source: Platts)

INTERNATIONAL SPOT DRY BULK FREIGHT ASSESSMENTS

				Unit: USD/to
Size	From	То	Freight rates	Change
Capesize	Australia	China	10.30	-0.30
(150,000 tons)	Queensland	Japan	11.80	-0.30
	New South Wales	South Korea	12.15	-0.30
Panamax	Richards Bay	India West	13.60	+0.05
(70,000 tons)	Kalimantan	India West	10.00	+0.25
	Richards Bay	India East	14.15	+0.05
	Kalimantan	India East	8.90	+0.35
	Australia	China	13.75	+0.35
	Australia	India	15.75	+0.50

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