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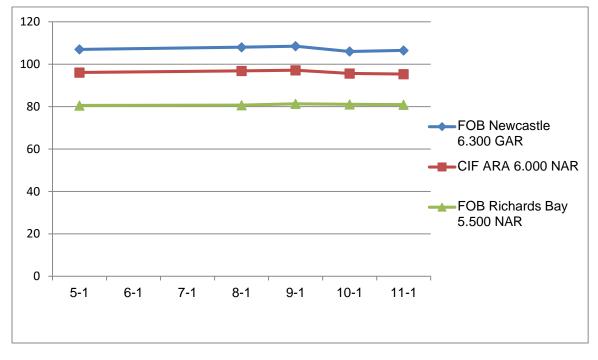
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INTERNATIONAL COAL PRICE ASSESSMENTS

Daily prompt physical thermal coal assessments	Window 7 – 45 day	+/-	Window 90 - day	+/-
FOB Newcastle 6,300 GAR	106.50	+0.50	104.00	-0.70
CIF ARA 6,000 NAR	95.35	-0.30	94.60	-0.40
FOB Richards Bay 5,500 NAR	80.90	-0.15	N/A	N/A
FOB Kalimantan 5,900 GAR	N/A	N/A	85.35	+0.10
FOB Kalimantan 5,000 GAR	N/A	N/A	69.25	+0.25

China Coal Assessment	USD/tons	+/-	NDT/tons	+/-
PCC6 (CFR South China 3,800 NAR)	56.00	+0.10	424.77	+0.33
PCC7 (CFR South China 4,700 NAR)	75.85	+0.10	575.34	+0.18
PCC8 (CFR South China 5,500 NAR)	91.00	+0.50	690.25	+3.10

DAILY PROMPT PHYSICAL THERMAL COAL ASSESSMENTS IN 2018



(Source: Platts Coal Trader International – Date 11/01/2018)

<u>NEWS</u>

No change to China's benchmark power coal price

China's benchmark power coal price remained flat during the past week as increasing supply stabilized the market. The Bohai-Rim Steam-Coal Price Index, a gauge of coal prices in northern China's major ports published weekly, stayed the same with a week ago at 578 yuan (around 90 U.S. dollars) per tonne, according to Qinhuangdao Ocean Shipping Coal Trading Market Co. Ltd. The index was 2 percent lower year on year. The power coal price has been recovering since the end of November, when a seasonal demand rise ended price declines lasting for seven straight weeks. The market at present nears a balance as the government has rolled out policies to ensure supply. China is in the middle of capacity cuts in coal and steel sectors. Last year's annual targets to slash steel capacity by around 50 million tonnes and coal by at least 150 million tonnes were fulfilled in August and October, respectively.

Combined coal stocks held by China's six power generators rise 3.7% on week

Combined coal stocks held by China's six key coal-fired power generators in southern and eastern China total 10.38 million mt for the week ended Thursday, up 3.7% from 10.01 million mt the prior week, according to figures released by port operator Qinhuangdao Port. The six key power generators are: Zhejiang Power, Shanghai Power, Guodian, Datang, Huaneng and Guangdong Power which is better known as Yudean. Based on the current coal consumption rate, the stocks are able to cover 13.61 days of consumption at the six power plants, down from 14.61 days on January 4, the figures showed. Average coal consumption at the six power generators stood at 763,000 mt/day on Thursday, up 11.4% from 685,000 mt/day on a week earlier, figures from the port operator showed. The recent cold snap has boosted coal consumption at the power plants, which resulted in a fall in the number of days the stocks can last, said the port operator, adding that continuing cold weather will continue to sustain high levels of coal consumption rates at the above power plants over the next few weeks.

Vessel queue at Richards Bay coal terminal drops to 17

There were 17 ships delayed outside Richards Bay Coal Terminal in South Africa Thursday, down from 21 the previous week, according to S&P Global Platts trade flow software cFlow. High swells and wind in the area over the past few weeks havebeen preventing the normal operating schedule. According to one shipping source, the weather is expected to clear by next week, which could allow the terminal to handle the queue within several days, although the source added that the weather had been difficult to predict recently.

Fourteen of the ships were originally due to arrive within the last week, with the remaining three scheduled to arrive from December 20-January 2. The Capesize CSK Brilliance was originally scheduled to arrive at the terminal on December 20 and has been sat offshore since. Nine of the vessels are returning from India, Pakistan, or Sri Lanka, two from Mozambique, one each from South Korea, Australia, Singapore, Kenya, Madagascar, and one ship is arriving from another port in South Africa. Seven ships were moored at loading berths. The average deadweight tonnage of the delayed ships was 80,4845 mt. Market sources estimate around 4.5-5 million mt of coal in stockpiles at RBCT. The benchmark 6,000 kcal/kg NAR grade of South African coal traded at \$98/mt FOB Thursday morning, February-loading basis. This was the highest reported deal for this grade since 9 November 2016. Platts 5,500 kcal/kg NAR price was assessed at \$81.05/mt Wednesday, up \$1.55 week on week. Market sources said the high pricing for South African coal was not necessarily caused by vessel delays, instead they pointed to bullish Asian markets and competitive bids for the less-liquid benchmark grade of South African coal.

(Source: Platts)

INTERNATIONAL SPOT DRY BULK FREIGHT ASSESSMENTS

				Unit: USD/ton	
Size	From	То	Freight rates	Change	
Capesize	Australia	China	7.60	-0.70	
(150,000 tons)	Queensland	Japan	8.25	-0.70	
	New South Wales	South Korea	8.50	-0.70	
Panamax	Richards Bay	India West	12.45	+0.00	
(70,000 tons)	Kalimantan	India West	8.55	+0.00	
	Richards Bay	India East	12.65	+0.00	
	Kalimantan	India East	7.25	+0.00	
	Australia	China	12.10	+0.00	
	Australia	India	13.65	+0.00	

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