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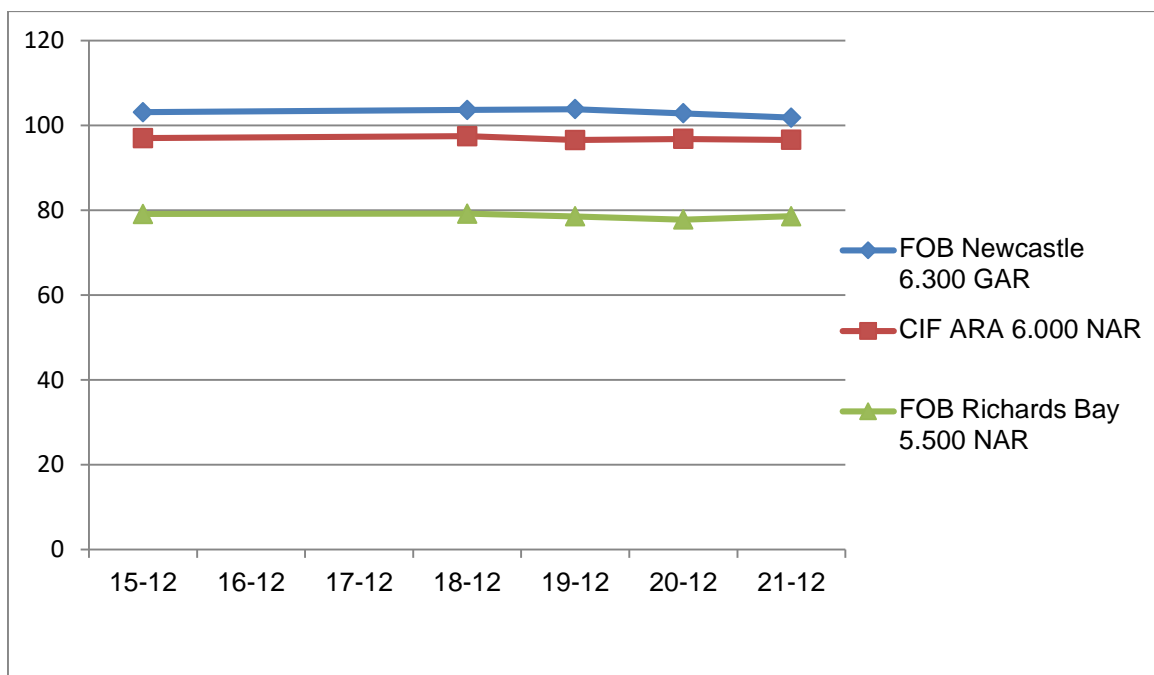
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INTERNATIONAL COAL PRICE ASSESSMENTS

Daily prompt physical thermal coal assessments	Window 7 – 45 day	+/-	Window 90 - day	+/-
FOB Newcastle 6,300 GAR	101.85	-1.00	103.60	-0.50
CIF ARA 6,000 NAR	96.60	-0.20	94.90	-0.60
FOB Richards Bay 5,500 NAR	78.60	+0.80	N/A	N/A
FOB Kalimantan 5,900 GAR	N/A	N/A	82.90	+0.05
FOB Kalimantan 5,000 GAR	N/A	N/A	66.10	+0.00

China Coal Assessment	USD/tons	+/-	NDT/tons	+/-
PCC6 (CFR South China 3,800 NAR)	54.70	+0.00	420.02	+0.61
PCC7 (CFR South China 4,700 NAR)	74.30	+0.10	570.52	+1.60
PCC8 (CFR South China 5,500 NAR)	87.50	+1.20	671.87	+10.18

DAILY PROMPT PHYSICAL THERMAL COAL ASSESSMENTS IN 2017



(Source: Platts Coal Trader International – Date 21/12/2017)

NEWS

China buyers rush for high-ash cargoes in Asia thermal coal market

Firm bids for Capesize cargoes of January-loading high-ash thermal coal were \$1-\$2 higher in Asian trade at \$75-\$76/mt FOB Newcastle as Chinese traders expected import restrictions at ports to be lifted soon, sources said Thursday. Sources said Beijing was expected to gradually lift its unofficial ban on imported cargoes over the coming days in order to remedy an emerging shortage of coal in China. A trader in northern China said an Australian 5,500 kcal/kg NAR cargo was currently being discharged at Fancheng port.

Bid prices from China for January-loading Capesize cargoes of Australian high-ash coal had risen to \$75/mt FOB Newcastle, he said. The trader saw offer prices for January-arrival Australian high-ash cargoes at \$91/mt CFR South China, basis 5,500 kcal/kg NAR, and bids on a China-delivered basis were heard as high as \$89/mt, up \$2-\$3 on the day. A Capesize, Australian 5,500 kcal/kg NAR cargo for loading in January traded Wednesday at about \$86/mt CFR South China, sources said. Newcastle to South China Capesize vessel dry bulk freight was steady at \$12/mt, the trader added. Australian 5,500 kcal/kg NAR coal prices could still rise given a \$25-\$27 gap between this grade and Newcastle 6,000 kcal/kg NAR coal prices which were trading on-screen at around \$105/mt, he said.

Domestic 5,500 kcal/kg NAR coal was offered at Yuan 705/mt FOB Qinhuangdao, although tradeable levels were still around Yuan 700/mt for this grade, another trader in North China said. Shanxi 5,000 kcal/kg NAR coal was trading at Yuan 635/mt FOB Qinhuangdao, he added. According to a South China trader, domestic 5,000 kcal/kg NAR coal with 0.8% sulfur had traded at Yuan 630/mt FOB.

Port issues in India, stable South African prices

Indian buyers were still lagging behind China in terms of price expectations for Indonesian coal, a southern Indian trader said. Offers for Supramax cargoes of 4,200 kcal/kg GAR coal at \$47/mt FOB saw Indian bids at \$46-\$46.50/mt FOB Kalimantan for loading in January. Meanwhile, confusion continued over New Delhi's recently introduced import duty on petcoke, sources said. "The circular has not arrived yet, and some shipments at ports are stuck, and customs are not clearing them," the India-based trader said. South African coal prices have stabilized over the past few days, and offers for 5,500 kcal/kg NAR coal are at a discount of \$9/mt to 6,000 kcal/kg NAR spot prices, he said. US 6,900 kcal/kg NAR thermal coal is offered to India buyers at \$115/mt CFR east coast India, he said.

Coal stocks held by China's six main power generators slip 7% on week

Combined coal stocks held by China's six key coal-fired power generators in the south and east of the country totaled 10.79 million mt on December 21, down 6.6% from 11.55 million mt on December 14, according to data released Thursday by 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 current coal consumption rates, stocks are able to cover 13.89 days of consumption at the generators, down from 16.09 days on December 14. Average coal consumption at the six power generators stood at 777,000 mt/day on December 21, up 9.1% from 712,000 mt/day on December 14. The continuing cold weather in southern and eastern China has further pushed up the coal consumption rate at the power plants, the port operator said, adding coal consumption rates can be expected to remain at a high level over the next few weeks.

(Source: Platts)

INTERNATIONAL SPOT DRY BULK FREIGHT ASSESSMENTS

Size	From	To	Freight rates	Change
Capesize	Australia	China	10.40	-0.45
(150,000 tons)	Queensland	Japan	11.95	-0.45

	New South Wales	South Korea	12.30	-0.45
Panamax	Richards Bay	India West	12.05	+0.00
(70,000 tons)	Kalimantan	India West	8.85	-0.10
	Richards Bay	India East	12.30	+0.00
	Kalimantan	India East	7.50	+0.00
	Australia	China	11.40	-0.20
	Australia	India	12.45	-0.30

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