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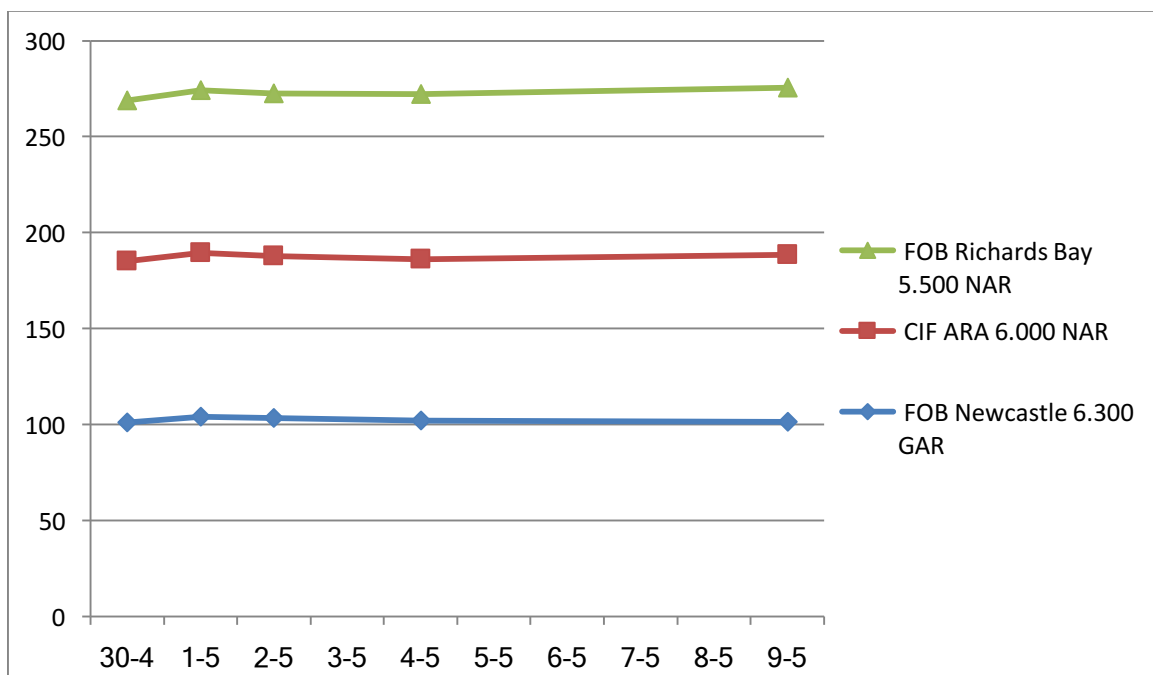
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INTERNATIONAL COAL PRICE ASSESSMENTS

Daily prompt physical thermal coal assessments	Window 7 – 45 day	+/-	Window 90 - day	+/-
FOB Newcastle 6,300 GAR	101.50	-0.45	100.50	-0.05
CIF ARA 6,000 NAR	87.10	+1.75	89.05	+1.45
FOB Richards Bay 5,500 NAR	86.85	+0.75	N/A	N/A
FOB Kalimantan 5,900 GAR	N/A	N/A	76.50	+0.50
FOB Kalimantan 5,000 GAR	N/A	N/A	62.00	+0.75

China Coal Assessment	USD/tons	+/-	NDT/tons	+/-
PCC6 (CFR South China 3,800 NAR)	51.85	+0.35	329.20	+2.61
PCC7 (CFR South China 4,700 NAR)	70.60	+0.60	448.25	+4.33
PCC8 (CFR South China 5,500 NAR)	84.50	+1.70	536.50	+11.41

DAILY PROMPT PHYSICAL THERMAL COAL ASSESSMENTS IN 2018



(Source: Platts Coal Trader International – Date 09/05/2018)

NEWS

Vietnam's Apr coal imports hit 2.25 mil mt, highest in 8 months

Vietnam imported 2.25 million mt of coal in April, up 132.5% year on year, the highest volume since August last year, according to preliminary customs data released Wednesday. Indonesia remained the biggest supplier of coal in the month with 1.29 million mt, up 161.2% year on year. Imports from other major suppliers including Australia and Russia also surged in April. In the first four months, Vietnam imported 5.85 million mt of coal, up 27.9% year on year, mostly from Indonesia, Australia and Russia. The country also exported 156,405 mt of coal in April, up 34.4% year on year, mainly to South Korea and Japan. It shipped out 735,623 mt of coal during January-April, 42.3% higher year on year, mainly to Japan and South Korea.

Demand for south african coal dries up on surging prices

Buyers in the South Asian thermal coal market have displayed less interest this week in procuring South African coal — typically the main source for high-CV thermal coal — as they were unwilling to keep pace with recent surging prices. A 50,000 mt parcel of South African 6,000 kcal/kg NAR coal traded Thursday morning at \$105/mt FOB Richards Bay, June loading, and then twice at \$105.50/mt FOB, same basis. This is the highest reported trade level since S&P Global Platts began collecting the trade data in 2016.

South Asian buyers were looking for alternatives, with Australian, Indonesian and US coals offering cheaper alternatives. “We are looking to buy 55,000 mt of thermal coal but do not see South African coal in the competition,” a Pakistan-based end user said. The buyer would usually prefer South African coal due to the shorter sailing times compared to other origins, but had replaced it with US and Colombian coal for their last several purchases. Colombian sellers had expressed greater interest in the growing Pakistan market, but the inability to berth a fully laden Capesize vessel at Pakistan coal terminals meant any delivered cost from Colombia would be too high. A recent deal had circumvented this barrier, with a Capesize vessel selling to the UAE and then being split into a Panamax shipment for Pakistan. “The Middle East and Pakistan want to buy more and more coal and South Africa can’t supply all this demand, so this could be a sustainable solution to bring more diversified supply to the region,” an Indian trader said.

Coal stocks at India power plants fall 2% on week

Thermal coal stocks at Indian power plants were 15.49 million mt as of Wednesday, down 2% from the previous week, and down 4.8% from 16.26 million mt the previous month, according to data published Friday by the Central Electricity Authority. Stocks were down 28% year on year from 21.58 million mt, and were enough to support 10 days power generation, steady since April 21. The number of plants at critical or supercritical stock levels was 29, flat on the week, although it peaked as high as 32 on May 5, while stocks of imported coal rose to 515,000 mt from 507,000 mt a week earlier.

(Source: Platts)

INTERNATIONAL SPOT DRY BULK FREIGHT ASSESSMENTS

				<i>Unit: USD/ton</i>
Size	From	To	Freight rates	Change
Capesize	Australia	China	10.20	+0.50
(150,000 tons)	Queensland	Japan	11.85	+0.50
	New South Wales	South Korea	12.45	+0.50
Panamax	Richards Bay	India West	12.80	-0.20
(70,000 tons)	Kalimantan	India West	9.75	+0.00
	Richards Bay	India East	13.00	-0.20
	Kalimantan	India East	8.10	+0.35
	Australia	China	12.80	+0.05
	Australia	India	14.25	+0.10

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