



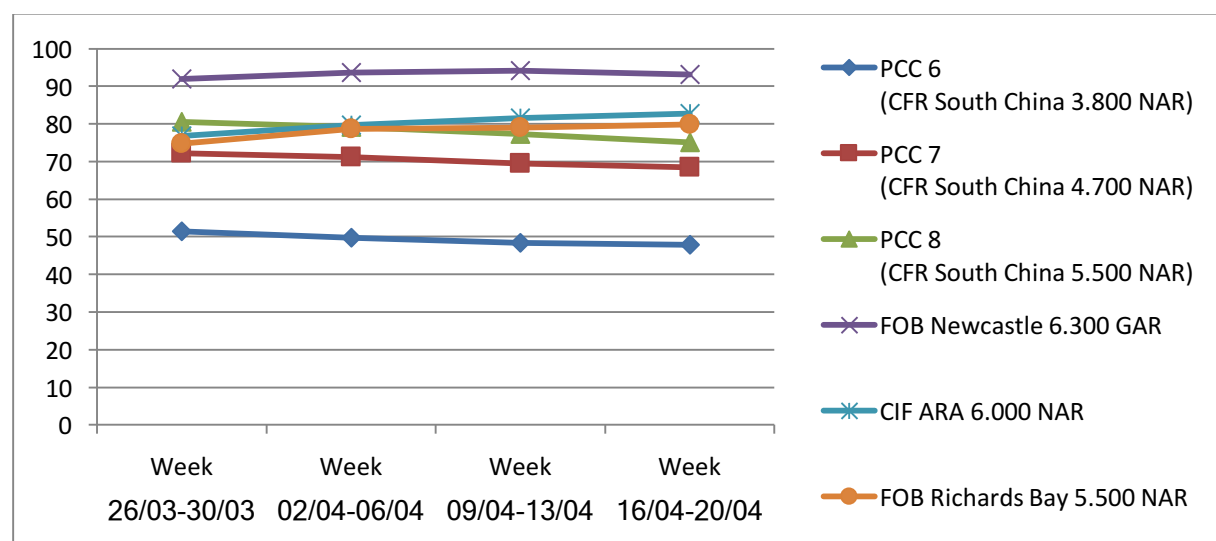
**PETROVIETNAM OIL & GAS GROUP**  
**PETROVIETNAM POWER CORPORATION**  
**WEEKLY NEWS – THIRD WEEK OF APRIL**  
 (From 16/04 – 20/04/2018)

**I. COAL MARKET ANALYSIS**

**1. INTERNATIONAL COAL PRICE ASSESSMENTS**

*Unit: USD/ton*

Price index	Week 26/03-30/03	Week 02/04-06/04	Week 09/04-13/04	Week 16/04-20/04
<b>PCC 6</b> <i>(CFR South China 3,800 NAR)</i>	51.45	49.73	48.40	47.82
<b>PCC 7</b> <i>(CFR South China 4,700 NAR)</i>	72.15	71.18	69.50	68.46
<b>PCC 8</b> <i>(CFR South China 5,500 NAR)</i>	80.58	79.25	77.33	75.16
<b>FOB Newcastle 6,300 GAR</b>	91.88	93.69	94.22	93.16
<b>CIF ARA 6,000 NAR</b>	76.83	79.61	81.49	82.75
<b>FOB Richards Bay 6,000 NAR</b>	74.83	78.66	78.99	79.89
<b>NEWC</b> <i>(FOB Newcastle 6,000 NAR)</i>	90.79	92.18	93.78	93.66



**Chart 1: Average coal price week 3<sup>rd</sup> April (2018)**

*(Source: Platts Coal Trader International)*

## 2. INTERNATIONAL SPOT DRY BULK FREIGHT ASSESSMENTS

Unit: USD/ton

	Week 3 <sup>rd</sup> - April	16/04	17/04	18/04	19/04	20/04
<b>Capesize (150,000 tons)</b>						
1	Australia – China	7.75	7.75	8.35	8.40	8.40
2	Queensland – Japan	9.00	9.00	9.70	9.75	9.75
3	New South Wales – South Korea	9.55	9.55	10.25	10.30	10.30
<b>Panamax (70,000 tons)</b>						
1	Richards Bay - India West	13.40	13.40	13.40	13.40	12.90
2	Kalimantan - India West	8.70	8.60	8.50	8.50	8.50
3	Richards Bay - India East	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.10
4	Kalimantan - India East	7.35	7.25	7.10	7.10	7.10
5	Australia - China	11.50	11.75	11.25	11.20	11.20
6	Australia - India	13.00	13.25	12.90	12.40	12.40

(Source: Platts Coal Trader International)

## II. NEWS

### Taiwan Feb coal imports down 6% on month

Taiwan imported 4.7 million mt of thermal coal in February, down 6% from the previous month and also down 6% a year earlier, according to customs data released Thursday. Of these imports, 92% was bituminous coal while the remaining 8% was sub-bituminous. Australia accounted for 2.26 million mt, down 22% on the month and down 19% from February 2017. Imports of Indonesian coal were down 23% on the month and 27% on the year at 878,348 mt, falling below the 1 million mt level for the first time since S&P Global Platts began collecting the data in 2012. Imports from South Africa rose nearly tenfold month on month, from 74,231 mt in January to 738,095 mt in February. This is the highest monthly volume from South African since November 2013, according to Platts data. Russia sent 581,055 mt of coal in February, down 27% from the previous month and down 20% on the year. Imports from the US, Canada and Colombia combined came in at 249,781 mt, up more than threefold both month on month and year on year.

Origin	Volume (million ton)	% on month	% on year
Australia	2,256,929	-22	-19
Indonesia	878,348	-23	-27
South Africa	738,095	894	347
Russia	581,055	-27	-20
Other	249,781	239	277
Total	4,704,208	-6	-6

### BHP Billiton Jan-Mar thermal coal output down; likely to rebound in Apr-Jun

Sydney—BHP Billiton Thursday said its thermal coal production slumped in the January-March quarter, but output was expected to rebound in the April-June period, allowing the mining giant to meet its fiscal year 2017-2018 (July-June) production guidance. The miner produced 6.12 million mt of thermal coal in the January-March quarter, falling 18% year on year and 16% from the October-December quarter, the company said. The volume of thermal coal produced at its Australian operations in New South Wales declined following unfavorable weather and a

significant build in raw coal inventory late in the quarter, BHP said. “This inventory is expected to support an uplift in volumes in the June 2018 quarter,” it added.

BHP produces thermal coal via the Mt. Arthur mine in the Hunter Valley region of New South Wales. The fiscal year 2017-2018 production guidance for thermal coal is unchanged at 29-30 million mt, BHP said. The miner produced 3.66 million mt of thermal coal at New South Wales, down from 4.66 million mt a year ago, and from 4.38 million mt in the October-December quarter. Its Colombian operations saw production of 2.44 million mt of thermal coal in January-March, compared with 2.76 million mt in Q1 2017, and 2.91 million mt during October-December, BHP said. In Colombia, BHP has a one-third interest in Cerrejon, which operates a mine in the La Guajira province. The Cerrejon production was impacted by unfavorable weather, equipment availability and higher strip ratio areas being mined, BHP said.

#### **Yancoal’s Australian Q1 thermal coal sales more than double on year**

Chinese Yancoal’s Australian thermal coal sales surged year on year in the January-March quarter following the second full quarter of output from the Coal & Allied assets it purchased from Rio Tinto last year. But volumes were down from the October-December period, the company’s quarterly results showed late Friday. Yancoal’s equity share of thermal coal sales from its Australian mines was 6.97 million mt, up by 123% year on year from 3.12 million mt, but down by 14% from the December quarter, the results showed. Yancoal bought the New South Wales-based Hunter Valley Operations and Mount Thorley Warkworth mines from Rio Tinto on September 1 last year for a total consideration of \$2.69 billion. Hunter Valley Operations, which Yancoal has 51% ownership of in a proposed joint venture with Glencore, produced 2.89 million mt in the March quarter, down from 3.44 million mt in the December quarter.

Mount Thorley Warkworth — which on March 7, Yancoal purchased Mitsubishi Development’s 28.898% interest in the Warkworth joint venture to take its own share of coal production from the integrated Mount Thorley Warkworth operations from 64.1% to 82.9% — saw total production of 3.05 million mt in the quarter, up by 12% from 2.73 million mt in the October-December period. Yancoal, which is now Australia’s largest independent coal producer, earlier in the year gave 2018 total coal production guidance of 35 million to 37 million mt.

*(Source: Platts)*