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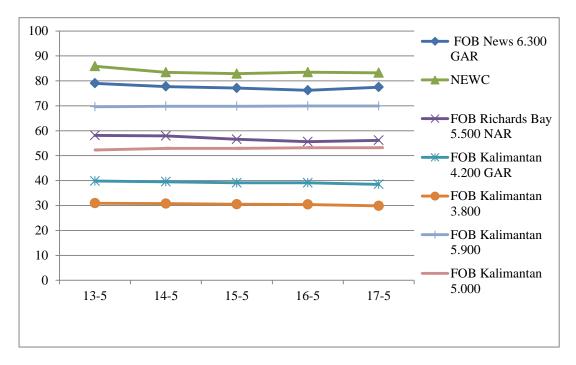
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INTERNATIONAL COAL PRICE ASSESSMENTS

Daily prompt physical thermal coal assessments	Window 7 – 45 day	+/-	Window 90 - day	+/-
FOB Newcastle 6,300 GAR	77.45	+1.25	N/A	N/A
FOB Newcastle 6,000 NAR	80.32	N/A	N/A	N/A
FOB Kalimantan 5,500 GAR	56.15	+0.55	N/A	N/A
FOB Kalimantan 5,900 GAR	N/A	N/A	69.90	+0.00
FOB Kalimantan 5,000 GAR	N/A	N/A	53.15	+0.00

China Coal Assessment	USD/tons	+/-	NDT/tons	+/-
PCC6 (CFR South China 3,800 NAR)	46.50	-0.50	320.24	-1.84
PCC7 (CFR South China 4,700 NAR)	61.00	+0.10	420.10	+2.77
PCC8 (CFR South China 5,500 NAR)	69.75	+0.00	480.36	+2.38

DAILY PROMPT PHYSICAL THERMAL COAL ASSESSMENTS IN 2019



(Source: Platts Coal Trader International – Date 17/5/2019)

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Australia's shock election shows killing coal mining is no sure thing: Russell

While Australia's opposition Labor Party is the obvious loser from the weekend election, the anticoal environmental lobby suffered probably a bigger blow and will need to re-think its strategy to end mining of the polluting fuel. The conservative Liberal Party-led coalition is likely to have pulled off one of the great political escapes by returning to office for a third term, confounding polls and pundits who thought Labor was a near certainty to win the May 18 election. While Prime Minister Scott Morrison may not secure an outright majority in the 151-seat lower house of parliament, results indicated that Labor, led by former unionist Bill Shorten, would have no chance of victory.

One of the battlegrounds between the two major parties in the campaign had been climate change, with Labor promising far stronger action that the Coalition, which counts among its parliamentarians several who are decidedly pro-coal and sceptical of the science of climate change. Morrison, prior to becoming the third Liberal leader in five years last August, once brandished a lump of coal in parliament in a show of support for the mining industry and the use of the fuel in generating electricity.

Australia vies with Indonesia for the title of the world's largest coal exporter, and is dominant in the global market for high-quality coking coal used to make steel. The Liberal victory means the coal mining and coal-using electricity sectors have been spared a Labor government that would have in all likelihood made it harder for them to grow. A returned Liberal government is likely to pursue policies more friendly to the coal industry, while at the same time being cautious on expanding support for renewable energy. "Start Adani," was a two-word tweet from Resources Minister Matt Canavan, about 2 3/4 hours after voting closed on May 18, when it was starting to become clear that the Liberals were about to pull off a stunning victory. That was a reference to the Carmichael mine in Queensland state being proposed by India's Adani Enterprises, which is bitterly opposed by environmentalists who say the world can ill afford the pollution that will result from the burning of its 8 million tonnes a year output. The election showed that in the constituencies near the mine, voters chose the prospect of jobs over climate concerns.

(Source: www.reuters.com)

Supply growth in Australia weighs on Newcastle thermal coal prices

Spot market prices for Newcastle 6,000 kcal/kg NAR thermal coal continued to slide this week on account of increasing supply of this higher-grade of Australian thermal coal hitting the AsiaPacific seaborne market, said market sources Friday. One Taiwan based power company was heard to have awarded a tender for 720,000 mt of 6,200 kcal/kg GAR thermal coal in nine 80,000-mt Panamax cargoes to an Australian coal producer, but price details were not immediately available. Market sources said the tender was well-offered with several Australian coal producers participating, indicating an abundance of available supply. Supply out of Australian ports has been growing as producers optimize the performance of coal supply chains, particularly for Newcastle port, said sources. An on-screen bid was heard in Asia trade for an August shipment of Newcastle 6,000 kcal/kg NAR thermal coal at \$81.25/mt FOB to an offer at \$82.50/mt, down from a trade of \$85.50/mt for August earlier in the week.

Vietnam's Vinacomin to import 2.5 mil mt of coal in H2

Vietnam's biggest coal company, Vinacomin, said Thursday it plans to import up to 2.5 million mt of coal, mainly thermal coal, in the second half of this year to feed rising domestic demand. The company said it will import about 5 million mt of coal this year to mix up with domestic coal and sell to thermal power plants. It imported 1.8 million mt of coal in the first four months and plans to import up to 1.3 million mt in the second quarter. The coal volumes in the second quarter will come mainly from Australia, Russia and South Africa, according to Vinacomin. Vinacomin did not provide any year-on-year breakdown.

State utility Vietnam Electricity, or EVN, the sole buyer of electricity in Vietnam, on May 15 requested coal-fired power plants to prepare sufficient coal to meet rising electricity demand in the country. Vietnam imported 13.34 million mt of coal between January and April, rising 123.2% from a year earlier, mostly from Indonesia, Australia and Russia. The import volumes in the period were worth \$1.27 billion, up 72% from 2018, according to customs data. Vietnam exported 31,574 mt of coal in the first four months, falling 95.7% year on year, largely to Japan. The export value in the first four months was \$4.4 million, down 95.4% year on year.

(Source: *S&P Global Platts*)

INTERNATIONAL SPOT DRY BULK FREIGHT ASSESSMENT

				Unit: USD/ton	
Size	From	To	Freight rates	Change	
Capesize	Australia	China	7.80	+0.20	
(150.000 tons)	Queensland	Japan	8.80	+0.25	
	New South Wales	South Korea	9.65	+0.25	
Panamax	Richards Bay	India West	12.80	+0.00	
(70.000 tons)	Kalimantan	India West	8.85	+0.00	
	Richards Bay	India East	12.95	+0.00	
	Kalimantan	India East	7.50	+0.00	
	Australia	China	11.30	+0.10	
	Australia	India	12.10	+0.05	

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