



Weekly Price Indices	01-May-10	26-Apr-10
globalCOAL RB Weekly Index US\$/t	96.13	91.93
globalCOAL RB Weekly Index R/t	713.44	675.10
globalCoal RB Monthly Index	88.79	82.99
globalCoal DES ARA Weekly Index	88.52	78.65
Weekly Exchange Rates		
Rand to US Dollar	7.42164	7.34368
Rand to Euro	9.79011	9.82795

Transnet South African transport unions, United Transport and Allied Trade Union (Utatu) and the SA Transport and Allied Workers' Union (Satawu) may jointly call a national strike against rail company, Transnet, over wage increases. The unions requested a 15% wage increase at all employee levels, against Transnet's offer of 8%. Zenzo Mahlangu, general secretary of Satawu said that the strike could be cancelled if an agreement was reached before 10 May'10. The strike will affect all freight rail, including Transnet's coal line. RBCT CEO, Raymond Chirwa said that the Terminal is drawing up a contingency plan to sustain operations should the strike against Transnet go ahead. Exports through the RBCT will not be affected by the strike as the terminal has already built up a stockpile reserve of +/-4Mt during previous months.

Richards Bay Coal Terminal (RBCT) has officially completed the R1.2Bn, Phase V expansion project bringing the terminal's capacity up to 91Mtpa on 1 May'10.

While the RBCT is now ready to receive coal and operate the terminal at 91Mtpa, Transnet Freight Rail will not have the resources to meet the RBCT's new capacity.

Coal of Africa (CoAL) expects to complete the construction of its Vele project in the Limpopo province of South Africa by Q3'10. Capital expenditure for the first phase of the project is estimated at around R450M and will bring production up to 1Mtpa of saleable coking coal. CoAL said that it expects AcelorMittal to be the recipient of the bulk of its Phase 1 production, however negotiations for the supply agreement are still in progress.

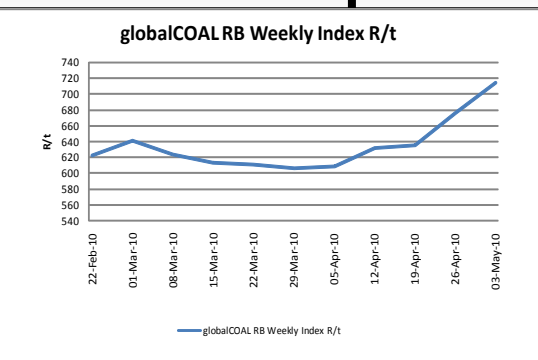
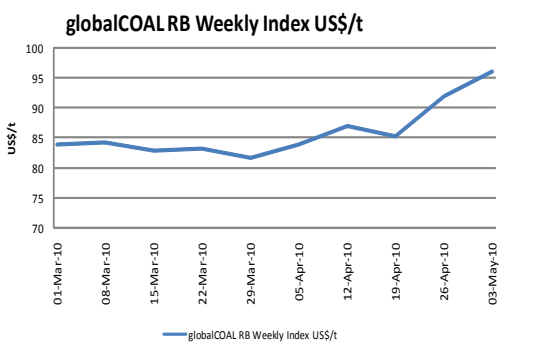
Coal of Africa (CoAL) also reported that it has concluded the R467M acquisition of Nucoal Mining, comprising the Woestalleen processing facility, the Zonnebloem, Kipbank and Hartogshoop coal mines and

the Opgooedehoop and Klipfontein coal projects. CoAL hopes to finalise the integration of the Woestalleen operations by the end of Q2'10. Woestalleen produced 765 332 tonnes of saleable coal during the Q1'10 of which 79% was exported through either Richards Bay Coal Terminal, Richards Bay Dry Bulk Terminal or Matola Terminal.

Eskom As part of the South African power utility's plan to cover its short term R45bn funding shortfall, Eskom may consider the partial privatisation of its assets. Eskom has appointed international mergers and acquisition teams at JP Morgan and Goldman Sachs to help raise funds for its expansion programme. JP Morgan has a mandate to formulate a corporate strategy and advise Eskom suitable funding options at its disposal. The power utility has also enlisted the services of Credit Suisse to act as transaction advisor for the sale of a 30%-49% equity stake in its Kusile power station.

Homeland Energy a subsidiary of India's GMR Group, has yet to publish its audited financial statements for the year ending Dec'09. The Ontario Securities Commission (OSC) has queried Homeland's accountancy treatment of two of its debtors. Homeland said that it has not received the necessary financial information from these two companies to satisfy the OSC's requirements.

South African Government plans to revise the ownership and funding models in place over the past five years to meet the first target of 15% black ownership of mining companies by 2009. Government has expressed dissatisfaction at the level of efficiency of concluded transactions and hopes to create a more effective process within which to meet the next target of 26% by 2014. A revised model may stipulate a minimum value of facilitation that the empowering company must provide to the BEE partner at the initial stage of the transaction in order to assist the BEE partner in achieving its full 26% ownership. Proposed changes to the structure of BEE transactions are to be completed by Jun'10 according to Minister of Mines Susan Shabangu.



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