

## Market Report week 48/2007

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 47/2007:

	Quality	Price	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI		
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	269,50	273,10	271,60	273,90	holiday		
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	240,25	241,25	241,75	243,25	245,75		
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	230,00	231,50	232,50	243,50	236,75		
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	249,15	246,80	249,45	248,35	249,75		
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	231,45	228,40	231,75	232,55	234,90		
Development of EUR/USD during week 47/2007:									
USD Fix			1,4633	1,4785	1,4795	1,4822	1,4805		

(TOCOM RSS 3 - 6. month closing, SICOM RSS 3 & TSR  $20 - 1^{st}$  pos. settlement, MRE SMR CV & SMR 20 - closing quotation)

After the strong decline at the TOCOM in week 45+46 the prices consolidated last week before they started another "bull-run". This trend has continued at the beginning of this week. Good demand from China and the trade as well as the stable oil-prices are the main reasons for this anew increase. The production in the main areas of Asia is still influenced by the seasonal Monsoon, even though there are signs of weather-improvements. The main tyre grade SIR 20 was traded last Monday at USC 104,00 per lb (USC 229,28 per kg) for Jan shipment, whereas it costs today USC 108,00 per lb (USC 238,10 per lb), an increase of almost 4 % within one week.

On 22.11.07 official Import-Statistics from China were released for September 2007:

	October 2007	January – October 2007	Change in %
Natural Rubber	156,798 to	1,346,166 to	+ 2,30 %
Synthetic Rubber	104,641 to	1,162,945 to	+ 4,60 %

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