

Market Report week 04/2009

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 03/2009:

	Quality	Price	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI		
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	149,70	137,90	148,80	144,90	150,40		
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	152,00	147,00	152,00	149,00	153,50		
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	146,50	140,80	146,50	141,30	144,00		
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	177,75	175,15	177,50	175,60	176,85		
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	146,05	144,35	146,50	144,95	147,00		
Development of EUR/USD during week 03/2009:									
USD Fix			1,3405	1,3315	1,3217	1,3170	1,3280		

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

Markets mainly moved sideways last week. While the IRCo (International Rubber Consortium), consisting of Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia has the firm intention to intervene and support the raw-material prices if necessary as well as reducing the production and export in 2009, the demand is still dull. Furthermore the Chinese new year celebrations will begin on next Sunday ($25^{th}/26^{th}$ January 2009 – we are leaving the year of the "RAT" and enter the year of the "BUFFOLO"). Chinese buyers are expected to stay away than from the market abt. 7 – 10 days.

On January, 13th Import-Data from China for December 2008 was released:

	December 2008	Change in %	Jan-Dec 2008 in	Veränderung in
	in mt		mt	% J/J
Natural Rubber	110.000	- 25,00	1.680.000	- 2,0

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