

Market Report week 05/2009

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 04/2009:

	Quality	Price	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	152,20	150,00	142,00	141,30	134,80
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	152,50	151,00	147,00	147,50	146,00
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	142,00	141,00	135,60	136,30	131,70
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	178,35	175,25	174,15	173,30	172,65
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	148,05	145,70	144,80	144,20	142,15
Development of EUR/USD during week 04/2009:							
USD Fix			1,3240	1,2950	1,2940	1,2980	1,2805

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

The previous week generated again heavy losses at the TOCOM (abt. -10%) and SICOM (between 5- 8%) prior to the Chinese New Year celebrations. Furthermore crude-oil did not lend any support and quotes currently still around 40 USD/barrel. The market fundamentals are very bearish for the time being. Hence, an improvement cannot be seen in the short-term.

In the northern production areas like China (Hainan), Vietnam and Rayong-area in Thailand Wintering will come soon or has already started.

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