



FLAT PRICE

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CRUDE

This afternoon in Dated, we saw things start to go more bid after trade house selling in back-end Nov rolls in the morning. Nov DFL traded from \$0.38/bbl to \$0.43/bbl and Dec DFL traded between \$0.17/bbl and \$0.18/bbl. Nov/Dec DFL traded at \$0.23/bbl. In terms of structures, we saw Cal Nov 25-29 trade at \$0.31/bbl and the 18-22 Nov 1 week roll at \$0.18/bbl. We also saw the 4-8 nov 3 week roll trade at \$0.65/bbl and trade house bidding of 2-6 Dec Cal Dec at \$0.19/bbl. In the physical window, we saw an Italian major offering Ekofisk, however the phys was left unchanged. In paper, we saw Nov DFL offered down to \$0.40/bbl and Dec DFL trade down to \$0.15/bbl. In CFDs, the 25-29 Nov CFD was offered down from \$0.02/bbl to \$0.01/bbl and 11-15 Nov CFD traded up from \$0.40/bbl to \$0.42/bbl. We also saw the 4-8 3 wk roll trade at \$0.58/bbl. Postwindow, Nov DFL traded at \$0.43/bbl and Dec DFL at \$0.12/bbl. We also saw refiner buying of 1-7 Nov Cal Nov at \$0.32/bbl and 1-7 Nov Cal Dec at \$0.97/bbl.

FUEL

In VLSFO, it was a quiet day on fuel with it being a Singapore holiday. The Sing crack was a touch stronger on thin liquidity this afternoon, with Nov trading up to \$14.75/bbl from \$14.65/bbl. The Sing spreads followed a similar trend, with Nov/Dec Sing trading up to \$14.75/mt from \$14.50/mt. It was a rangebound afternoon on the Euro 0.5, with Nov/Dec trading at \$7.00/mt. The crack traded similarly, with the Nov Euro crack trading between \$5.55/bbl and \$5.60/bbl without a clear axe in the market.

In HSFO, it was a contrasting afternoon on HSFO between barges and 380. Barges saw a very volatile end to the month, with the Nov barge crack selling down in the early part of the afternoon to -\$4.80/bbl from -\$3.90/bbl before recovering back to -\$4.15/bbl. Barge spreads found support off the back of the barge crack rally, with Nov/Dec barges trading up to \$25.25/mt from \$23.50/mt. Chinese arbers were selling 380 flat price this afternoon, albeit not in large size, due to the lack of liquidity on 380 this afternoon we saw the crack implied lower down to -\$4.75/bbl from -\$4.15/bbl. The 380 E/W was lower as a result, trading down to -\$3.75/mt from -\$0.50/mt.

IDOW COMMENTAR



After rallying this morning, the Jan'25 Brent futures contract saw continued strength this afternoon, moving from \$72.65/bbl at 12:00 GMT up to \$73.23/bbl at 15:25 GMT, however, price tapered off to \$72.75/bbl by 18:05 GMT (time of writing). Crude oil prices were supported with ongoing uncertainty regarding a potential Israel-Lebanon ceasefire deal. In the news today, the IMF has cut their Middle East GDP growth outlook to 2.1% for this year, slashed by 0.6% from their April forecast. According to the IMF, this comes amid continuing regional conflict and expectations of a delay in OPEC+ oil production cuts. In other news, TotalEnergies missed the analyst estimate of \$4.27 billion profit for Q3'24, reporting an adjusted net income of \$4.1 billion on weaker refining margins and lower LNG production. Finally, Rosneft's Tuapse oil refinery, one of Russia's biggest Black Sea refineries, is due to resume operations in November. The facility was suspended from 1 Oct because of low margins on refined fuels, however, is expected to process about 480,000 metric tons of crude oil next month, as per Reuters. At the time of writing, the Jan/Feb'25 and Jan/Jul'25 Brent futures spreads stand at \$0.37/bbl and \$1.16/bbl, respectively.

NAPHTHA

This afternoon in naphtha, we saw flat price trade at the end of the window at -\$1.00/bbl on a crack equivalent. The prompt crack was initially weaker this morning on thinner liquidity trading at lows of -\$1.60/bbl, before switching to better bid in the afternoon and rallying to trade up to -\$1.00/bbl. Deferred cracks were firm bid in the afternoon with Cal'25 getting lifted up to -\$3.90/bbl before softening in the window to trade at -\$4.07/bbl. Spreads were bid through the window on prompt crack strength, with Nov/Dec initially weakening in the morning down to \$7/mt before firming in the afternoon to be valued at \$8/mt during the window and trade at \$8.50/mt post-window. The Nov/Dec E/W box weakened this afternoon as Nov was better offered trading at \$19/mt during the window whilst Cal'25 E/W was valued at \$17.25/mt in the afternoon. MOPJ had thinner liquidity today due to the Singapore holiday but Nov/Dec was valued at \$6.25/mt during the afternoon.

NGLS

This afternoon in NGLs, we saw LST initially broadly unchanged but weakened on a crude percentage basis, with spreads being unchanged. Nov/Dec and Dec/Jan traded at -0.5c/gal and -1.25c/gal respectively; deferred was slightly weaker with Q1/Q2 trading down to 5.625c/gal. Butane was slightly better bid with Nov/Dec trading to 4c/gal and Dec/Jan trading at 2.25c/gal, with Nov C4/C3 trading to 30.5c/gal. Arbs were relatively weak with Dec trading down to -\$208/mt and in deferred Q1/Q2 roll traded at -\$23/mt. E/W was better bid with Nov trading up to \$56/mt and FEI/CP was implied lower with Dec implied at \$8/mt.

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