



FLAT PRICE

After this morning's strength, Mar'25 Brent futures declined from just under \$79.90/bbl at 1120 GMT down to this afternoon's low of \$78.87/bbl at 1500 GMT, recovering to \$79.45/bbl at 1750 GMT (time of writing). Crude oil prices saw bearish sentiment amid waning geopolitical risk, with the Israel-Hezbollah ceasefire likely to be extended beyond next week, as per Bloomberg. In the news today, US President Donald Trump said he would add new tariffs to his sanctions threat against Russia if the country does not make a deal to end the war in Ukraine, Reuters reports. Trump added that tariffs could also be applied to "other participating countries", currently threatening a 10% tariff on China. In other news, Motiva's 630kb/d Port Arthur refinery on the Texas Gulf Coast has shut multiple units due to winter storms. Meanwhile, the ports of Houston and Galveston remain shut as Freeport opens, as per Bloomberg. Finally, CNOOC said today that its net oil and gas production was about 720mb of oil equivalent for 2024, setting a record high for the sixth consecutive year. The company aims to maintain stable capital expenditure for 2025 while reaching a net production target of 760mb to 780mb. At the time of writing, the Mar/Apr'25 and Mar/Sep'25 Brent futures spreads stand at \$0.88/bbl and \$4.17/bbl, respectively.

CRUDE

This afternoon in Dated, we saw the Bal-Jan/Feb DFL roll hit at \$0.60/bbl and offered over, implying Jan and prompt Feb rolls lower. Spreads were choppy and DFLs stayed rangebound, with the Feb DFL trading between \$0.96/bbl and \$1.03/bbl. In structures, we saw the 3-7 Mar vs Cal Mar rolloffered down to \$0.36bbl and the 23rd Jan vs 31st Jan traded at \$0.17/bbl. We also saw the 27-31 1-week roll trade down to \$0.17/bbl and the 3-7 Feb vs Cal Feb down to \$0.33/bbl and offered over. Prewindow, Balmo was offered at \$0.60/bbl on screen as spreads started to soften. In the physical window, we saw a British major offering Forties down, with the physical diff pricing down to around \$0.49/bbl. In paper, we saw the 1H vs 2H Dated roll offered, with back-end Feb CFDs going bid. The 17-21 Feb CFD traded up to \$0.75/bbl and the 24-28 Feb CFD up to \$0.53/bbl. Post-window, we saw the 10-14 Feb 2-week roll trade at \$0.51/bbl up to \$0.53/bbl and the 27-31 Jan 1-week roll at \$0.18/bbl. The 10-14 Feb 1-week roll saw buy-side interest at \$0.28/bbl and the 3-7 Feb vs Cal Feb traded down to \$0.30/bbl.

FUEL

In HSFO this afternoon, Chinese arbers were both buyers and sellers of 380 flat price, but this did not move the front crack. Front 380 structure was weaker with Feb/Mar trading from \$7.50/mt to \$7.25/mt. As the afternoon progressed, we saw outright selling in the Feb barge crack from -\$6.00/bbl down to -\$6.20/bbl pre-window. This brought sell-side pressure in barge structure down the curve with Feb/Mar trading from \$3.5/mt to \$2.75/mt. Therefore, the weakness in barges gave strength to the 380 E/W in Feb, as it was trading from \$18.75/mt to \$19.25/mt at close. Feb barge crack was sold into the window, and finished the day at \$6.35/bbl, and further weakened to -\$6.50/bbl post-window.

In VLSFO this afternoon, Chinese arbers were sellers of Apr Sing 0.5 flat price, this weakened the Feb Sing crack. We then saw outright selling in Feb Sing crack, which further pushed it from \$10.75/bbl to \$10.50/bbl. As a result, front Sing spreads were better offered, with Feb/Mar trading from \$7.25/mt to \$7/mt. As the afternoon progressed, we saw buy-side interest in deferred Sing cracks; this supported the front crack going into the window at \$10.60/bbl. There was some buyside interest in 0.5 E/W in Q3'25, and therefore Feb Sing crack ended the day at \$10.65/bbl. In Euro, front structure down the curve was offered with Feb/Mar trading from \$8/mt to \$7.50/mt, as a result, Feb Euro crack saw sell-side pressure from \$4.60/bbl to \$4.40/bbl before ending the day at \$4.45/bbl due to MOC hedging.

IDOW COMMENTAR

DISTILLATES

This afternoon in distillates, the Sing gasoil continued to see selling, the Feb/Mar and Mar/Jun down to \$0.85/bbl and \$2.00/bbl, respectively. The prompt E/W rallied as ICE gasoil continued come off, getting lifted to -\$17.00/mt as the deferred remained rangebound. The prompt regrade continued to trade rangebound as the Q2'25 was lifted on screen to -\$1.30/bbl in the window.

ICE gasoil spreads continued to come off, the Feb/Jun to \$23.75/mt as the cracks similarly softened, the Feb to \$18.63/bbl. NWE jet diffs were rangebound for the afternoon, the Feb trading between \$38.50/mt and \$39.00/mt as the Cal'26 traded at \$51.00/mt. Heating oil spreads came off, as did the HOGOs, the Q1'25 trading at 13c/gal.

GASOLINE

This afternoon in gasoline, we saw Feb EBOB flat price valued at \$722.75/mt at the end of the window equivalent to \$8.45/bbl on a crack basis as matching was offered. Feb EBOB cracks came off throughout the afternoon trading from \$8.88/bbl to \$8.40/bbl post-window and Q2'25 cracks saw buying at \$14.65/bbl levels. Front spreads were bid as Feb/Mar strengthened to -\$4/mt from -\$4.50/mt with Mar/Apr valued at -\$32/mt. Feb weakened down to 2.55c/gal from 3.95c/gal as Mar RBBRs sold off from \$9.60/bbl to \$8.60/bbl post-window and Q2'25 arbs were offered down from 15c/gal to 14.75c/gal. Feb E/W saw buying at -\$2.70/bbl up from -\$2.85/bbl as Feb 92 cracks came off less than European cracks, trading from \$5.85/bbl to \$5.70/bbl. Eastern spreads softened form this morning as Feb/Mar traded down to -\$0.35/bbl and Mar/Apr weakened to \$0.06/bbl.

NAPHTHA

This afternoon in naphtha, we saw flat price trade at the end of the window at -\$5.15/bbl on a crack equivalent. The front crack traded rangebound around -\$5.3/bbl through the afternoon but turned better bid in the window getting lifted up to -\$5.15/bbl. Spreads were balanced but better bid into the afternoon, with Feb/Mar firming from lows of \$4.75/mt to trade at \$5.25/mt during the window while the rest of the curve was more balanced. E/W turned better bid in the window, with Feb recovering from morning lows of \$18/mt to trade at \$19.25/mt during the window while Q2'25 was offered and traded at \$18/mt. In the east, there was flat price buying in the window and spreads followed NWE turning better bid with Mar/Apr trading at \$6.75/mt.

NGLS

This afternoon in NGLs, LST weakened on a crude percentage basis with spreads supported in prompt and slightly weaker in deferred. In prompt structure, we saw Feb/Mar and Mar/Apr trade at 3.875c/gal and 4.75c/gal, respectively; whilst in deferred we saw Q2/Q3'25 and Q2/Q4'25 trade down to 1.875c/gal and 0.375c/gal, respectively. Arbs at open continued to weaken with Feb and Mar trading down to -\$154/mt and -\$163/mt; post-EU window, we saw arbs gain some strength with Feb trading back up to -\$151/mt. FEI/CP weakened with Feb and Mar trading down to -\$6/mt and -\$12/mt, respectively; whilst E/W also weakened with Feb trading down from \$57/mt pre-open to implied lower at \$54/mt. Butane was weaker with structure also weakening, with C4/C3 implied lower at 20.75c/gal. In prompt structure, we saw Feb/Mar trade down to 6.75c/gal; whilst in deferred, Sep/Oct traded down to -0.75c/gal.

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