

Fertilizer Financial Markets Commentary/Curves

NOLA FUTURES & SWAPS

UREA

NOLA UREA ended the week with a bang. Values on both physical and paper were higher to end the week on bullish news of OCI shutting down their nitrogen complex in Weaver, IA due to higher Natural Gas prices. Physical values tracked higher through most of the day, with barges trading up to \$340 on both FEB/MAR timeframe. Later in the day, values on phys came back a touch, trading \$335 for March and April delivery. In futures market, the April contract traded once at \$335 and was seen bid on the follow in the low \$330s.

<u>UAN</u>

NOLA UAN was on fire today. With Natural Gas prices firmer across the Midwest due to lower temperatures, players on UAN saw this an opportunity to start buying up futures. At the COB on Thursday, we saw MAR futures trade \$218. Values were immediately higher this morning, trading \$240 for March and April right off the bat. The strength continued well into the afternoon. APR NOLA UAN futures last traded at \$255, up \$15 from where we began the day, and up \$37 from the last trade on MAR yesterday. Overall, the whole Nitrogen complex was supported today by the news out of Weaver, IA.

DAP

NOLA DAP was no exception to the bullish tone seen in the fertilizer market today. Values on DAP were up over \$10 today. The index came out higher than expected, and after yesterday's profit taking, fresh buyer interest was strong. We ended the day with bids seen in the mid \$520s and MAR MAP trading in the \$560s.

INTERNATIONAL FUTURES

After a relatively quiet start, more positive sentiment returned to the market throughout the day. Physical indices tracked sideways this week, which seemed to add a touch more confidence to the market, given the volatility we saw on paper the last few days. Buying interest built on Egypt urea after offers edged into more enticing territory, and 365 was paid for the April contract late in the day, whilst bids on March were seen back around 370. Buying interest similarly picked up on AG paper, but sellers were less motivated given the tone of the market, and no trades were heard there to finish the week.

DOMESTIC

NOLA UREA					
	BID	ASK	MID	Δ	
FEB	332	338	335	<u> </u>	
MAR	334	341	338	10	
APR	335	340	338	12	
MAY	305	310	308	<u> </u>	
JUN	298	316	307	12	

NOLA UAN					
	BID	ASK	MID	Δ	
FEB	195	205	200	— 0	
MAR	240	245	243	23	
APR	241	246	244	24	
MAY	210	230	220	25	
JUN	200	210	205	10	

NOLA DAP					
	BID	ASK	MID	Δ	
FEB	525	535	530	— 0	
MAR	519	529	524	<u>~</u> 7	
APR	500	520	510	10	

INTERNATIONAL

AG UREA					
	BID	ASK	MID	Δ	
FEB	363	367	365	— 0	
MAR	350	360	355	<u></u> 5	
APR	345	355	350	10	
MAY	330	340	335	— 0	
Q2	320	350	335	— 0	

EGYPT UREA					
BID	ASK	MID	Δ		
377	383	380	— 0		
375	380	378	10		
360	370	365	— 0		
350	360	355	— 0		
340	370	355	— 0		
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	BRAZIL UREA						
	BID	ASK	MID	Δ			
FEB	383	387	385	▼ -3			
MAR	370	380	375	<u> </u>			
APR	365	375	370	— 0			
MAY	350	370	360	— 0			
Q2	340	370	355	— 0			

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