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CALTEX REFINER MARGIN UPDATE (JANUARY 2017)

Caltex advises its realised lagged¹ Caltex Refiner Margin (CRM²), in respect of CRM sales from production for the month of January 2017.

	January 2017	December 2016	January 2016
Unlagged CRM	US\$12.08/bbl	US\$11.77/bbl	US\$12.76/bbl
Impact of pricing lag positive/(negative)	US\$0.35/bbl	US\$(1.36)/bbl	US\$0.76/bbl
Realised CRM	US\$12.43/bbl	US\$10.41/bbl	US\$13.52/bbl
CRM Sales from production	501 ML	524 ML	494ML

The January unlagged CRM was US\$12.08/bbl. This is above the prior month (December 2016: US\$11.77/bbl) but below the prior year monthly comparative (US\$12.76/bbl).

The unlagged Caltex Singapore Weighted Average Margin was US\$12.82/bbl, above the prior month (December 2016: US\$11.98/bbl) but below the prior year (January 2016: US\$13.47/bbl).

The higher AUD/USD exchange rate in the last week of January drove a favourable US\$0.35/bbl pricing lag (December unfavourable pricing lag: US\$(1.36)/bbl).

Including the pricing lag, the January 2017 realised CRM was US\$12.43/bbl, above December 2016 CRM of US\$10.41/bbl but below the prior year comparative (January 2016: US\$13.52/bbl).

Sales from production in January 2017 of 501 ML were below the prior month (December 2016: 524 ML) but above the prior year comparative (January 2016: 494 ML).

Notes

1. A fall in the Australian dollar crude price, particularly at the latter end of the month, produces a positive lag effect on the CRM (i.e. increases the CRM) and, conversely, in the event of a rise in the Australian dollar crude price, a negative lag effect occurs (i.e. reduces the CRM).
2. CRM represents the difference between the cost of importing a standard Caltex basket of products to eastern Australia and the cost of importing the crude oil required to make that product basket.

The CRM is calculated in the following manner:

Weighted Singapore product prices (for a standard Caltex basket of products)
 Less: Reference crude price (the Caltex reference crude marker is Dated Brent)
 Equals: Singapore Weighted Average Margin (Dated Brent basis)
 Plus: Product quality premium
 Crude discount
 Product freight
 Less: Crude premium
 Crude freight

Yield Loss
Equals: Caltex Refiner Margin

The Caltex Refiner Margin is converted to an Australian dollar basis using the prevailing average monthly exchange rate.

CRM is just one contributor to the replacement cost of sales operating profit (RCOP) EBIT earnings (excluding significant items). Other items contributing to the RCOP EBIT include Transport Fuels volume and margin, Lubricants and Specialties volume and margin, Non-Fuel Income and Other Margin less Operating Expenses.

3. RCOP excludes the unintended impact of the fall or rise in oil and product prices (a key external factor) and presents a clearer picture of the company's underlying business performance. It is calculated by restating the cost of sales using the replacement cost of goods sold rather than the historic cost, including the effect of contract based revenue lags.

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