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The domestic coal price index is still under suspension. Overall the price is back to upward trend after recent big drop, which is due to the government starts to enhance the "Guarantee Supply" policy. Demand is increasing fast with temperature increasing in China and higher production. On the other hand, supply side is still very tight with higher requirement on pollution control and safety control. And this year the electricity produced from other sources like hydro and wind has not started to play an important role in the electricity supply. Electricity usage is increasing fast as well, especially in the southern provinces. The imported volume is lower than past, thus another wave of increase in coal price could be expected. In addition, due to high average daily consumption and higher price, the inventory of power plants is kept at a low level and they must continue to purchase. As of 31st of May 2021, the daily consumption of major power plants is abt 750 kmt, and the inventory is abt 17 days.

The domestic freight market is decreasing last week but back to up trend again this week. The hire for SMX from N China to S China is abt 30K APS (abt 66 RMB from Qinhuangdao to Guangzhou). The stock level at the major loading ports is abt 25.28 million tons, which is increased thanks to continuous transport of railways. The number of dual licensed vsls remains high.

6/22/2020	6/29/2020	7/6/2020	7/13/2020	7/20/2020	7/27/2020	8/3/2020
36	39	42	44	45	45	46
8/10/2020	8/18/2020	8/24/2020	8/31/2020	9/7/2020	9/14/2020	9/21/2020
47	47	44	44	43	43	42
9/28/2020	10/12/2020	10/19/2020	10/26/2020	11/2/2020	11/9/2020	11/16/2020
44	46	46	45	45	43	44
11/23/2020	11/30/2020	12/7/2020	12/14/2020	12/21/2020	12/28/2020	1/4/2021
44	45	45	44	42	40	39
1/11/2021	1/18/2021	1/25/2021	2/1/2021	2/8/2021	2/22/2021	3/1/2021
37	36	36	37	37	40	43
3/8/2021	3/15/2021	3/22/2021	3/29/2021	4/6/2021	4/12/2021	4/19/2021
46	47	51	53	54	73	88
4/27/2021	5/10/2021	5/17/2021	5/24/2021			
91	102	108	111			

