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VLSFO HSFO Spread Continues to Narrow

The spread between IMO 2020 compliant 0.5% very low sulphur fuel oil (VLSFO) and previously compliant 3.5% high sulphur fuel oil (HSFO) has continued to narrow. Bunker prices at the world's largest bunkering ports (Singapore, Rotterdam, Houston, and Fujairah) show the average VLSFO-HSFO spread ended last week at \$215.50/ton. In comparison, one week prior the spread stood at \$251/ton. Also of note is that at the start of the year, the spread stood at approximately \$358/ton. The spread is now down by 40% from that level.

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