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Storm Halts Operations at Pacific Oil Terminal

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The Pacific oil terminal of Kozmino halted operations on Monday due to stormy weather, state-run oil pipeline monopoly Transneft said.

"We have stopped the port today ... The weather forecast indicates that operations could be restarted on Wednesday," Transneft spokesman Igor Dyomin said.

Russia ships some 400,000 barrels per day, or bpd, of crude oil via Kozmino, mainly to China andJapan. It may hike the volumes up to 600,000 bpd next year.

The Hydrometcenter weather forecasting service said a storm has been raging through Russia's Far East, bringing blizzard and heavy rains.

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