ICE FUTURES U.S. SETS EXCHANGE-WIDE AND MINI RUSSELL 2000 INDEX VOLUME RECORDS

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ATLANTA, Sept. 17/PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Exchange-wide volume at ICE Futures U.S.(TM), a leading regulated U.S. futures exchange for global agricultural, equity index and currency markets, exceeded 800,000 contracts for the first time in a single day yesterday. Also on Tuesday, September 16, electronic trading at the exchange set a new record for the third time in the past week, while trading volume in ICE's mini Russell 2000(R) Index futures contract set a new high.

At ICE Futures Europe(TM) yesterday, exchange-wide open interest set a new record of 2,020,659 contracts, surpassing the 2 million milestone for the first time in the exchange's history.

Total exchange-wide volume at ICE Futures U.S. yesterday reached a record 841,938 contracts, a 9% increase over the previous record established on January 18, 2008. Electronic volume of 746,604 Tuesday broke the record established on Monday by 21% and marked the first time electronic volume surpassed the 700,000 level.

Daily volume in the mini Russell 2000 futures contract Tuesday totaled 500,394 contracts, 38% above Monday's record.

Open interest in the mini and full-size Russell 2000 futures has increased from 1,377 contracts at January 1, 2008, to a record 828,426 contracts as of September 16, based on mini equivalents. This Friday, September 19, Russell Index futures and options on futures contracts will be traded exclusively on ICE.

Free real-time market data for the mini Russell 2000 index futures contract is now available via the ICE website at **www.theice.com** . Daily volume in the mini Russell 2000 futures contract is published on ICE's homepage. Over $4.4 trillion in assets and more than 99% of small cap institutional assets are benchmarked to Russell indexes.

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