ICE FUTURES SETS EXCHANGE-WIDE AND ICE WTI CRUDE FUTURES VOLUME AND OPEN INTEREST RECORDS

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ATLANTA, July 14 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- IntercontinentalExchange (NYSE: ICE), the leading electronic energy marketplace, announced that ICE Futures, its regulated futures subsidiary, established new records in trading volume both exchange-wide and in its WTI Crude futures contract yesterday. On July 13, total volume in ICE Futures markets reached 497,656 contracts, surpassing the May 9, 2006 record of 451,308 contracts by 10.3%.

The ICE WTI Crude futures contract set a new volume record July 13 of 178,960 contracts, exceeding the May 9 record of 157,009 contracts by 14.0%. The ICE WTI Crude futures contract also hit a new high this week with 254,407 contracts on July 12, the latest date for which final open interest figures are available. ICE Futures, which is the home of the benchmark Brent Crude futures contract, introduced the fully electronic WTI Crude futures contract for trading in February 2006.

Exchange-wide open interest on July 12 also established a new record, with 1,050,917 contracts, up 62.0% compared to 648,585 contracts at December 31, 2005.

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