ICE ANNOUNCES FIRST TRADE OF GERMAN NATURAL GAS FUTURES CONTRACTS

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London (17 November 2010) – IntercontinentalExchange (NYSE: ICE), a leading operator of global regulated futures exchanges, clearing houses and over-the-counter (OTC) markets, today announced the first trade of German natural gas futures contracts on ICE Futures Europe, Europe's leading energy exchange. "We have seen an exceptional level of interest in outrights and spreads on the first day of trading and we are very pleased that they have already traded." said Jason Pegley Head of Utility Markets at ICE Futures Europe. "Our intention is to develop liquidity in Europe's principal gas hubs and help established trading links between them, so the fact that the TTF/NCG spread has traded, is an important market development," he added. ICE Futures Europe reported that over 400,000 MWhs in spreads and outrights traded on the first day. Barclays Capital confirmed that they were a counterparty to the first trade of the day. The German natural gas futures contracts are for physical delivery at