INTERCONTINENTALEXCHANGE REPORTS SOLID APRIL VOLUME GROWTH; OTC COMMISSIONS NEARLY DOUBLE TO $1.3 MILLION

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ATLANTA, May 2 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- IntercontinentalExchange (NYSE: ICE), a leading operator of global derivatives exchanges and over-the-counter (OTC) markets, today reported solid growth in volume and commissions for the month of April. Average daily volume (ADV) in futures during April rose 14%, and OTC commissions increased 96% over April 2007.

- Total ADV for all ICE Futures contracts reached 863,325 in April 2008 compared to 755,474 in April 2007.
- ADV at ICE Futures Europe(TM) reached 568,965 contracts in April 2008, an increase of 15% over April 2007; a total monthly volume record was achieved in the ICE Brent Crude futures contract.
- ADV at ICE Futures U.S.(TM) increased to 279,122 contracts in April 2008, up 14% from April 2007; volume records were achieved in the Russell 2000 mini futures contract.
- ADV at ICE Futures Canada(TM) in April 2008 was 15,238 contracts, a 4% increase year-to-year.
- Average daily commissions for ICE's global OTC business nearly doubled to $1,268,742, a 96% increase over April 2007, and the fourth consecutive month that OTC commissions exceeded $1 million.

European Futures Volume and RPC

ICE Futures Europe reported April volume of 12,517,220 contracts, representing a 26% increase from 9,937,609 contracts in April 2007. ADV was 568,965 contracts, up 15% from 496,880 the prior April.

The three-month rolling average rate per contract (RPC) for the period ended April 2008 was $1.24. RPC is calculated by dividing transaction revenues by contract volume, and can vary based on pricing, customer and product mix. RPC averaged $1.25 for the first quarter of 2008 and $1.27 for the three months ended February 2008.

On April 30, 2008, open interest for ICE Futures Europe was 1,749,081 contracts, compared to 1,641,399 contracts at December 31, 2007.

North American Futures Volume and RPC

Total futures and options volume at ICE Futures U.S. increased 26% to 6,140,692 contracts in April 2008, compared to volume of 4,885,552 contracts in April 2007. April 2008 ADV rose 14%, to 279,122 contracts, compared with 243,882 contracts in April 2007.

The three-month rolling average RPC for the period ended April 2008 was $2.16 for agricultural futures and options. RPC averaged $2.14 and $2.16 for the first quarter of 2008 and the rolling three-month period ended February 2008, respectively.

On April 30, 2008, open interest for ICE Futures U.S. was 3,455,320 contracts, compared to 3,389,923 contracts at December 31, 2007.

ICE Futures Canada recorded April 2008 contract volume of 335,242 contracts, up 13.9% over April 2007. ADV was 15,238 contracts, an increase of 3.6% over the prior April.

On April 30, 2008, open interest for ICE Futures Canada was 144,128 compared to 168,928 contracts on December 31, 2007.

Global OTC Markets

In April 2008, ICE's average daily commissions were $1,268,742, an increase of 96% compared to $647,787 in April 2007. Average daily commissions reflect daily trading activity in ICE's global OTC energy markets.

Additional April 2008 Information:

-- On April 2, ICE and globalCOAL announced a cooperation agreement to develop and launch two new coal futures contracts at ICE Futures Europe. The contracts, expected to launch in the second half of the year, consist of financially settled NEWC coal futures and physically settled ARA coal futures.
-- On April 23, ICE and the European Climate Exchange announced the introduction of options contracts on Certified Emission Reductions beginning on May 16, 2008.
-- Trading days in April 2008:
  -- ICE Futures Europe: 22
  -- ICE Futures U.S. Agricultural: 22
  -- ICE Futures U.S. Currency and Index: 22
  -- ICE Futures Canada: 22
  -- ICE OTC: 22
-- ICE Futures Europe product records achieved for the month:
  -- The ICE Brent Crude futures contract set an all-time total monthly volume record of 5,703,333.
  -- Total and ADV records of 141,747 and 6,442, respectively, were achieved for the ICE ECX CFI emissions futures contract.
-- ICE Futures U.S. product records achieved for the month:
  -- A daily volume record of 4,688 was set on April 30 in the Russell 2000 mini contract, surpassing by 62% the previous record of 2,899.
  -- Monthly volume in the Russell 2000 mini reached a record 36,839 contracts, more than doubling the previous record of 16,624 contracts in October 2007.

ICE Futures: April 2008 Average Daily Volume by Product

Product Line	ADV April 2008	ADV April 2007	ADV %Change
ICE Brent Crude futures	259,242	214,855	20.7
ICE WTI Crude futures	197,424	193,244	2.2
ICE Gas Oil futures	96,871	80,572	20.2
Other contracts (1)	15,428	8,209	87.9
Total ICE Futures Europe	568,965	496,880	14.5
Sugar No. 11 futures	131,339	101,160	29.8
Other agricultural commodity contracts (2)	134,508	134,804	-0.2
Currency futures (3)	5,016	4,933	1.7
Index futures (4)	7,804	2,266	244.3
Other contracts (5)	455	718	-36.6
Total ICE Futures U.S.	279,122	243,882	14.4
Total ICE Futures Canada (6)	15,238	14,712	3.6
TOTAL FUTURES CONTRACTS (7)	863,325	755,474	14.3

(1)"Other contracts" include ICE Middle East Sour Crude futures; ICE Heating Oil futures; ICE Unleaded Gasoline Blendstock (RBOB) futures; ICE UK Natural Gas futures; ICE-ECX CFI futures; ICE-ECX CFI CER futures; ICE UK Electricity futures; ICE Coal futures; ICE Brent options; ICE WTI options, ICE Gas Oil options and ICE-ECX CFI options. The ICE-ECX CFI futures and options contracts are the result of a cooperative relationship between ICE Futures Europe and the Chicago Climate Exchange, Inc. and its subsidiary, the European Climate Exchange. ICE Futures Europe shares in the revenue derived from the ECX CFI futures and options contracts.

(2) "Other agricultural commodity contracts" include futures and/or options for Cocoa, Coffee "C", Cotton No. 2, Orange Juice, Sugar No. 14 and Sugar No. 11 options.

(3) "Currency futures" include futures for foreign exchange products.

(4) "Index futures" include futures for the US Dollar Index, Russell 2000, Russell 2000 mini, Russell 1000, Russell 1000 mini, the Continuous Commodity Index, the Euro Index, and the NYSE Composite.

(5) "Other contracts" include options on foreign exchange futures and options on index futures.

(6) "ICE Futures Canada" includes futures and options for Canola, Feed Wheat and Western Barley.

(7) ICE Futures U.S. was acquired by ICE on January 12, 2007, and ICE Futures Canada was acquired by ICE on August 27, 2007.

ICE Futures: Rolling Three-Month Average Rate per Contract

Product Line	Three Months Ending April 2008	Three Months Ending March 2008	Three Months Ending February 2008
ICE Futures Europe	$1.24	$1.25	$1.27
ICE Futures U.S.	$2.16	$2.14	$2.16

Monthly RPC and OTC commissions are estimated using best available current information. Final audited figures are reported in ICE's quarterly and annual filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Historical futures volume and OTC commission data can be found at: **http://ir.theice.com/supplemental.cfm**

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