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CME Group Announces Open Interest Records in Henry Hub Natural Gas

-Natural Gas Financial Futures on CME Globex Trade at Record Volumes

NEW YORK, March 19, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- CME Group, the world's leading and most diverse derivatives marketplace, announced it reached two consecutive records in open interest for its benchmark [Henry Hub Natural Gas \(NG\) futures](#) contract.

Open interest for Henry Hub Natural Gas was 1,320,785 yesterday, March 18, and 1,316,945 on Friday, March 15. Friday's open interest was the first to break a new record since April 20, 2012, when it reached 1,308,114.

This comes at the same time that CME Group's financially settled natural gas contracts are trading at record levels on [CME Globex](#), CME group's electronic trading platform.

These contracts are listed by and subject to the rules of NYMEX.

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