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CME Group Announces Record Trading Volume for NYMEX Brent (BZ) and British Pound Futures (GBP/USD)

CHICAGO, June 13, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- CME Group, the world's leading and most diverse derivatives marketplace, today announced it reached trading volume records for both its NYMEX Brent (BZ) crude oil futures and British pound (GBP/USD) futures contracts yesterday, June 12, 2014. Trading volume for NYMEX Brent reached 112,446, compared to August 12, 2013, the last record day, when volume reached 104,839 contracts. Trading volume for British pound futures reached 337,633 contracts, compared to the previous record on May 7, 2010, of 307,280 contracts.



Average daily volume for NYMEX Brent is at a record high of over 75,000 so far in June, and open interest was at its fourth highest level yesterday of 96,094 contracts. Similarly, so far in June, we are seeing the highest average daily volume for British pound futures since May 2010 with 161,000 contracts. Open interest is at its sixth highest level and 41 percent higher than the same day last year with 414,145 contracts.

NYMEX Brent crude oil futures contracts are listed by and subject to the rules of the New York Mercantile Exchange. British pound futures contracts are listed by and subject to the rules of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

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