

CME Group Announces the Launch of New Petroleum Product Swap Futures Contracts

CHICAGO, Feb 25, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- CME Group, the world's largest and most diverse derivatives exchange, today announced 13 new petroleum product swap futures contracts, scheduled to begin trading on March 8 for trade date March 9. These contracts are listed with, and subject to, the rules and regulations of NYMEX. The products will be available through CME ClearPort(R), an open clearing system.

The new swap futures contracts and their commodity codes will be: EIA flat tax on-highway diesel (A5); Argus LLS trade month (A4); Argus LLS vs. WTI (Argus) trade month (E5); Argus WTI trade month (V7); New York 0.7% fuel oil (Platts) (Y4); New York 2.2% fuel oil (Platts) (Y3); New York 3.0% fuel oil (Platts) (H1); Japan naphtha BALMO (E6); freight route TC4 BALMO (V9); Mt. Belvieu propane (OPIS) BALMO (V6); Mt. Belvieu natural gasoline (OPIS) BALMO (V5); Mt. Belvieu ethane (OPIS) BALMO (V4); and Mt. Belvieu butane (OPIS) BALMO (Y5).

For more information, please visit www.nymex.com.

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