



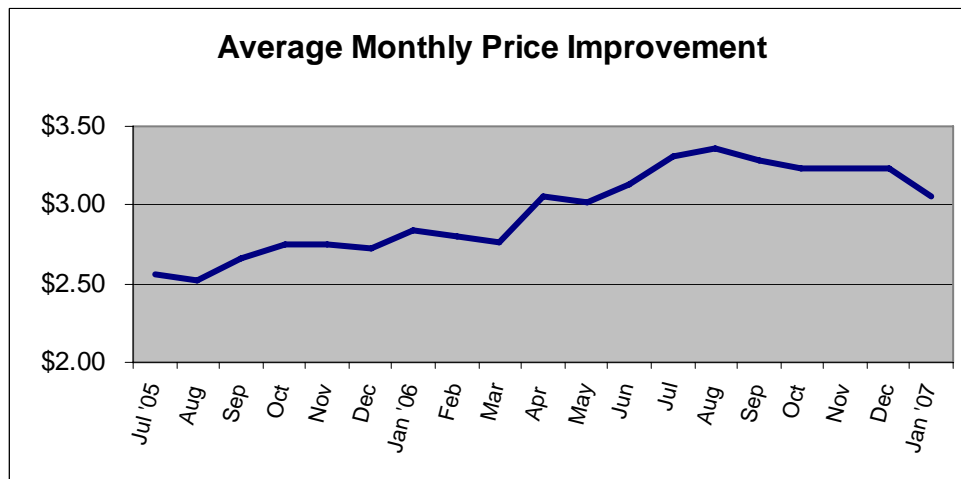
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BOX Reaches \$110M In Savings To Investors, Sees Near-Record Volume Day

Boston, March 2, 2007: In the month of February, price improvement versus the prevailing NBBO for contracts submitted via the Boston Options Exchange's ("BOX") price improvement auction ("PIP") averaged \$3.05 per contract. An average of 65,914 contracts per day received price improvement during the month. This represented savings to investors of \$4 million. With this amount, BOX has reached \$110 million in savings to investors since inception.



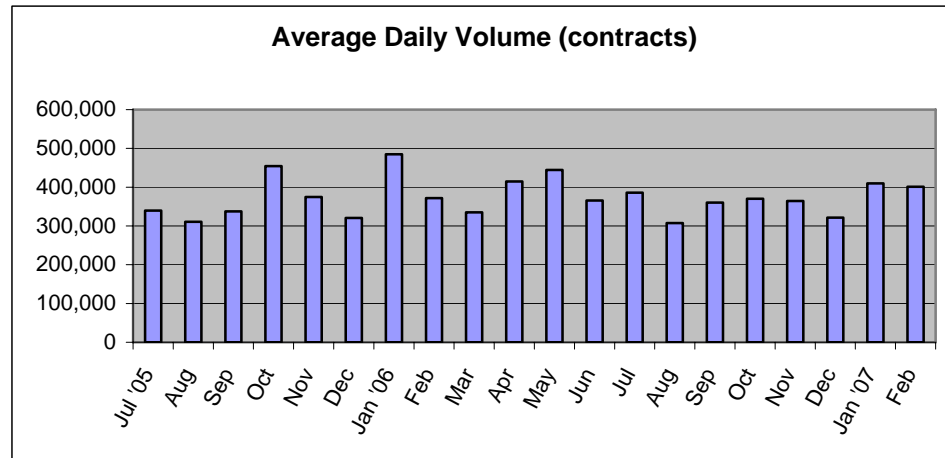
BOX Sees Second Highest Trading Day

On February 27, BOX traded 756,897 contracts, just shy of the 775,858 record high set on January 20, 2006. On average, daily trading volume on BOX in the month of February 2007 was 400,715 contracts, which represented a 5.33% market share on BOX-listed classes, as well as an 8% increase over the same month in the previous year.



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