



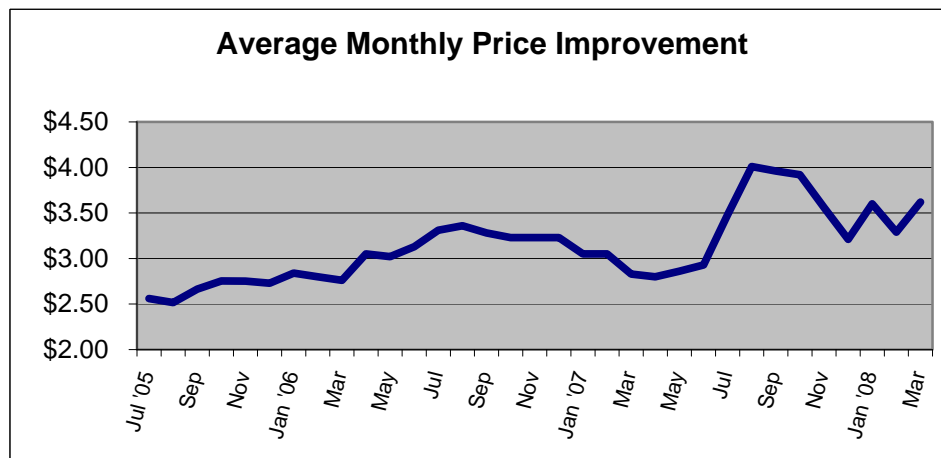
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BOXX Surpasses \$180 Million In Savings To Investors, Volume Grows 49% Year-Over-Year

Boston, April 3, 2008: In the month of March, price improvement versus the prevailing NBBO for contracts submitted via the Boston Options Exchange's ("BOXX") price improvement auction ("PIP") averaged \$3.62 per contract. An average of 80,039 contracts per day received price improvement during the month. This represented savings to investors of \$5.8 million. With this amount, BOXX has reached \$183 million in savings to investors since inception.



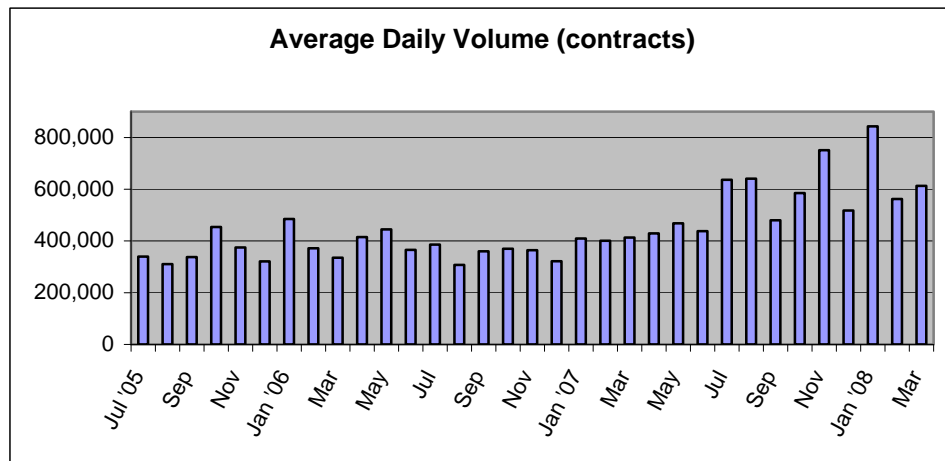
BOXX Initiates Expansion Program

During the month of March, BOXX completed the first phase of a new expansion program by rolling out 109 new classes, to reach a total of 1,216 classes currently traded on the Exchange. In addition, during coming weeks, BOXX will launch the second phase of this program and add approximately 284 additional classes for trading to reach a total of 1,500 classes (subject to regulatory approval).



Average Daily Volume Increases 49% to 613,000 Contracts

Average daily trading volume on BOX in the month of March 2008 was 612,995 contracts, which represented a 49% increase over the same period last year. BOX market share in BOX-traded classes in March was 4.9%.



* Patent application pending for BOX Price Improvement Process auction