



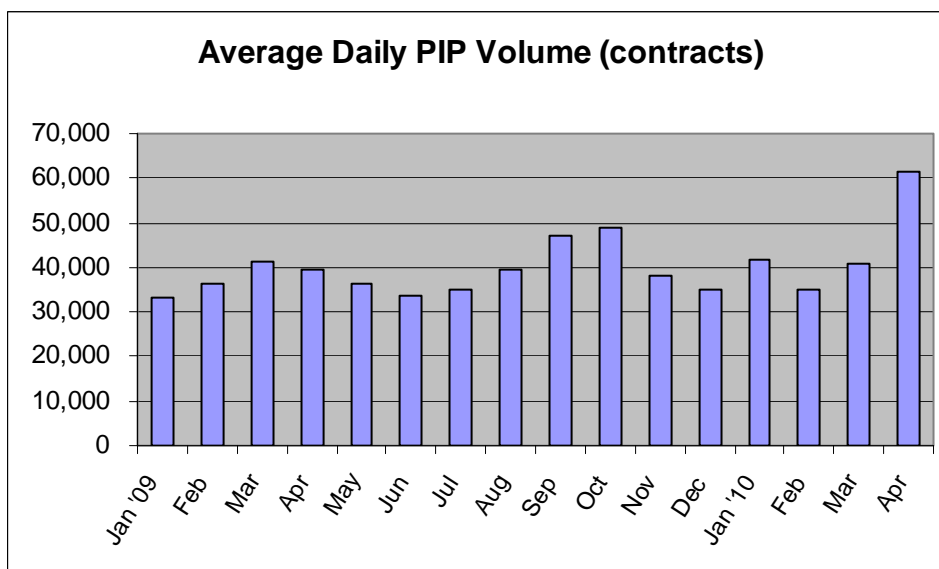
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## PIP Stats, Volume Raise Significantly

Boston, May 5, 2010: For the month of April, price improvement versus the prevailing NBBO for contracts submitted via the Boston Options Exchange's ("BOX") price improvement auction ("PIP"\*) averaged \$2.97 per contract, a 21% increase over March's \$2.45. On the same token, an average of 61,600 contracts per day received price improvement during the month, a 51% increase over March's level. Total savings to investors this month were \$3.8M.



## Average Daily Volume Increases 36%

Average daily trading volume on BOX for the month of April 2010 was 380,269 contracts, which represented a 36% increase over March.

\* Patent application pending for BOX Price Improvement Process auction