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## MGEX Reports Impressive Month Over Month Volume Increase

MINNEAPOLIS – MGEX, a Designated Contract Market and Derivatives Clearing Organization, today reported total futures and options trading for its flagship Hard Red Spring Wheat (HRSW) contract in January increased more than 36 percent when compared to December 2011. Total Exchange volume was 93,252 contracts traded.

Futures trading volume for HRSW improved 34 percent over the previous month with 91,154 futures contracts traded. Options trading increased a staggering 1,100 percent over December 2011 and 17 percent when compared to January of last year.

The Exchange in January also announced changes to its HRSW contract including Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) approval for the removal of the U.S origin condition effective with September 2012 contract month. The removal allows spring wheat from around the world to be delivered in satisfaction of open MGEX HRSW futures positions. MGEX also announced it added a deoxynivalenon (vomitoxin) specification to the flagship contract effective with the May 2013 contract month as well as a change in storage rates for spring wheat delivery on the HRSW futures contract.

Information on the changes above and complete volume and open interest numbers are available at [www.mgex.com](http://www.mgex.com).



### About MGEX

MGEX, a Designated Contract Market (DCM) and Derivatives Clearing Organization (DCO), was established in 1881 and is the only market for Hard Red Spring Wheat (HRSW), National Corn Index (NCI), National Soybean Index (NSI), Hard Red Winter Wheat Index (HRWI), Hard Red Spring Wheat Index (HRSI) and Soft Red Winter Wheat Index (SRWI) futures and options. To learn more about MGEX visit [www.mgex.com](http://www.mgex.com).