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Chicago Climate Futures Exchange Announces Record Volume

(Chicago – March 18, 2009) Chicago Climate Futures Exchange[®] (CCFE[®]), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Chicago Climate Exchange[®] (CCX[®]), announced record trading volume for March. CCFE has traded 60,676 contracts month-to-date as compared to the previous record of 56,429 contracts in the entire month of February 2009. This record month has been achieved in 13 trading days, with CCFE volumes recording an average of 4,667 contracts per day.

Futures and options on Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (“RGGI”) contract, launched in August 2008, have already traded a record 20,012 futures and options contracts in March of 2009 compared with 14,870 contracts in February of 2009. Additionally, a record 18,852 Nitrogen Financial Instrument[™] – Annual (“NFI[™]-A”) futures and options contracts have traded this month, bringing the year-to-date total NFI-A volume to 44,892 contracts as compared with 28,230 NFI-A contracts for all of 2008.

Also, 1,126 IFEX futures have traded in March, representing a 4,404% increase over the 25 IFEX futures traded in February 2009.

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About CCX/CCFE

CCX is an Exchange whose objectives are to apply financial innovation and incentives to advance social, environmental and economic goals. CCX, which began trading in 2003, is the world’s first and North America’s only legally binding, rules-based greenhouse gas emissions allowance trading system, as well as the world’s only global system for emissions trading based on all six greenhouse gases. Chicago Climate Futures Exchange (CCFE), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Chicago Climate Exchange, is a CFTC designated contract market which offers standardized and cleared futures and options contracts on emission allowances and other environmental products. Clearing services are provided by The Clearing Corporation, the only active independent futures clearinghouse in the world. Market surveillance services are provided by the National Futures Association, the industry wide, self-regulatory organization for the U.S. futures industry. In 2005, CCX launched the European Climate Exchange (ECX), now the leading exchange operating in the European Union Emissions Trading Scheme. Since 2006, both CCX and ECX have been owned by Climate Exchange plc, a publicly traded company listed on the AIM division of the London Stock Exchange (CLE.L).