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## **MGEX Finishes 2018 as the Second-Best Calendar Year in History**

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – MGEX, a Designated Contract Market (DCM) and Derivatives Clearing Organization (DCO), concludes 2018 with a total of 2,335,284 contracts traded, which is the second highest calendar year volume in history.

Alongside this achievement, December 2018 reached a total volume of 140,453 contracts, and an options volume of 1,997 contracts, which are both higher in comparison to December 2017. Additionally, open interest at market close on the 31<sup>st</sup> was recorded at 68,468 contracts.

Listed below are other prominent records MGEX recorded within the 2018 calendar year:

- Monthly Exchange Volume Top-25 Entries
  - (4) August with 275,743 contracts
  - (6) April with 272,068 contracts
  - (8) June with 264,240 contracts
  - (13) November with 246,638 contracts
  
- Monthly Electronic Volume Top-25 Entries
  - (5) April with 243,130 contracts
  - (6) August with 241,856 contracts
  - (7) June with 236,789 contracts
  - (14) November with 207,169 contracts
  - (25) February with 182,364 contracts
  
- Daily Electronic Volume Top-25 Entry
  - (25) August 2<sup>nd</sup> with 19,433 contracts
  
- Two months beat their respective monthly total volume records
  - April with 272,068 contracts
  - May with 180,836 contracts
  
- One month beat their respective options volume record
  - May with 7,602 contracts

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