



Press Release

Standard & Poor's Announces 2008 Weights for the S&P GSCI™

Correction – This corrects the Corn CPW listed on p.2 to 25047.14 (from 25074.14).

New York, NY, November 1, 2007 –Standard & Poor's today announced the composition and weights for the 2008 S&P GSCI™. The S&P GSCI is a world production-weighted commodity index which, in 2008, will be composed of 24 liquid, exchange-traded futures contracts. The S&P GSCI includes energy, industrial metals, precious metals, agricultural and livestock products. There are no substantive modifications to and no new contracts will be added to or removed from the S&P GSCI in 2008. The weights of the 2008 S&P GSCI are listed on the next page.

Standard & Poor's also announced that the Investment Support Level (ISL), which is the level of investment in the S&P GSCI and other commodity indices estimated to support adequate liquidity based on trading volumes, will be increased from the current level of US\$ 110 billion to US\$ 150 billion, effective January 2008. The increase in the ISL reflects an increase in the general level of investment in the S&P GSCI and other commodity indices.

Standard & Poor's noted some World Production Quantities (WPQ) reported in the 2004 edition of the United Nations, *Industrial Commodity Statistics Yearbook* were adjusted based on discussions with various data sources. For cattle and hogs, the 2003 edition was used. Data for 2004 was extrapolated from the relationship with data obtained from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

In addition, Standard & Poor's announced that the NYMEX natural gas contract and WTI crude oil contract will remain the only contracts that take into account the volumes of related contracts.

Selected tables updating the 2008 S&P GSCI Methodology can be found at www.spgsci.standardandpoors.com.

2008 S&P GSCI Contract Production Weights

Wheat (CBOT)	17608.84
Wheat (KBOT)	4038.438
Corn	25047.14
Soybeans	6727.534
Coffee	16531.1
Sugar	321233.7
Cocoa	3.47784
Cotton	44904.52
Lean Hogs	60793.40
Live Cattle	80690.59
Feeder Cattle	13826.24
WTI Crude Oil	14822.0
Heating Oil	69165.06
RBOB	66013.97
Brent Crude Oil	5373.649
Gasoil	216.2461
Natural Gas	28870.6
Aluminum	34.922
Copper	15.46
Lead	6.752
Nickel	1.20
Zinc	9.672
Gold	81.5343
Silver	605.7201

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