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## **Rules for the Stowe Global Coal Index<sup>SM</sup> Amended to Expand Buffers**

New York, NY July 22, 2010 -- After careful review of index turnover over the course of the recent market downturn and recovery, the [Stowe Global Coal Index<sup>SM</sup>](http://www.stowecoalindex.com) (TICKER: COAL) Committee has decided to amend the index rules by increasing the buffers used for average daily turnover from 25% to 40%. This process will reduce index turnover in stressful market conditions. This rule change will go into effect with the next rebalancing, which occurs on September 17, 2010.

A stock must have a minimum average daily turnover of \$1 million to be included in the index. Currently, the stock's turnover must fall below \$750,000 per day to be deleted. Under the rule change, turnover would have to fall below \$600,000 per day for the stock to be deleted.

The Stowe Global Coal Index<sup>SM</sup> is a capitalization-weighted, float-adjusted index of the most prominent coal stocks in the world. To be included in the COAL index, stocks must pass multiple screens, including for capitalization, float, exchange listing, share price and turnover.

Detailed information, including constituent data, rules and price information, on the Stowe Global Coal Index<sup>SM</sup> is available at [www.stowecoalindex.com](http://www.stowecoalindex.com). Data is also available through most vendors of financial data.

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