

CSI NEWS

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STOCK DATA AND NEW COMMODITIES: The release of all optionable stocks, nearly a dozen stock indices and their respective options, selective mutual funds, and over twenty new commodities has been a monumental task for CSI. In our last Newsletter, we announced that this data would be provided from 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM daily, and we have had some difficulty in attaining that schedule due to hardware and lessening software problems. Effective immediately, the schedule will be broadened to allow the following:

All new commodities, as shown on the addendum to your Commodity Fact Sheet (enclosed) are available on a 24 hour per day basis. Stocks, options, and mutual funds will be available from 7:00 PM to 9:00 AM Eastern Time daily. We will notify all Quicktrieve users through the message subsystem when the stocks will be accessible on a 24 hour basis. When the system is available on a 24 hours basis, we do not expect to deviate significantly from the announced data access times shown in our last Newsletter, except for the stock index options and the commodity options for S&P and New York Stock Exchange Composite Index, which are not expected to be released until approximately 5:30 PM Eastern Time. Customers wishing to access certain commodities at 3:00 PM Eastern Time must notify CSI's Customer Service Department and request that your portfolio be enabled for early access.

PORTFOLIO SET-UP: Most customers have read our Micro User's Instructions (for commodity use) and are aware that CSI offers three choices for specifying their portfolios. The three choices include Perpetual Contracts, Generic Contracts, and Specific Contracts. Customers who use Perpetual or Generic Contracts exclusively avoid a \$6.00 surcharge to their invoice each month. The purpose of this is to reward customers who are planning ahead for their contract needs which can easily be done with Generic Contracts. Users of Generic Contracts need to call CSI less frequently to arrange their portfolios, and we spend less of your time and ours to process your account. When changing your portfolio, please consider the use of Generic and Perpetual Contracts only, and specify your wish to whomever takes your order, so that your account will not incur the \$6.00 surcharge.

CSI MAILING LIST: In our last Newsletter, we announced that our mailing list was for sale. Since we had some inquiries, we would like to further clarify this. CSI will not sell any name or phone number of any customer. We regret this omission in our last Newsletter.

DATAPAC USERS: If you have been calling CSI through Datapac and have been having a problem, it is because Datapac has modified the method by which you enter CSI's identification number. The old method used a system whereby a contiguous set of numbers were used according to your user manual. The new method applies to Tymnet and Telenet; Uninet remained the same.

The new numbers are:

Telenet

1 3110 3050014001

Tymnet

1 3106 000071

The major difference between the above numbers and what was used before is the presence of the two spaces after the first and fifth digits. Telenet has chosen to replace the final zero in the old number with a 1. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

NEW QUICKTRIEVE-COMPATIBLE SOFTWARE SUPPLIER: A new supplier has notified us that he is compatible with our Quicktrieve data feed. For information about his trading system, contact COMPUTER EVALUATIONS, at 333 St. Charles, Suite 1110, New Orleans, LA 70130. (This notification does not constitute an endorsement of that product.)

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