HSI WEEK ENDED JULY 13, 2018

The Husson Stock Index (HSI) increased 1.42% from the week ended July 6th. The Husson Stock Index on July 6, 2018 was 150.33and increased to 152.47.

The largest percentage change for the week was IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. (IDXX), which rose 5.60% for the week. The stock rose approximately 2% on June 10th when new options began trading for IDXX stock. Put contracts began trading at a strike price of \$190.00 and call contracts at a strike price of \$240.00, both with an expiration date of August 17th.

The Husson Stock Index was developed by Marie Kenney, while a student at Husson University, in consultation with Associate Professor J. Douglas Wellington. The index tracks and analyzes 27 companies that are considered to have an effect on the Maine economy. These companies are either based in Maine or have an influence on the Maine economy through employment, number of consumers, and overall presence in the State. This price-weighted index offers a numerical break down of Maine's economy. The analysis looks into the events of the week and finds the likely reasons the index was up or down. The index and analysis help provide a better understanding of Maine's economy and offer an explanation of significant changes in the stock prices of the companies that comprise the Husson Stock Index. Interesting IDXX Put And Call Options For August 17th. (2018, July 10). Retrieved July 15, 2018, from <u>https://www.nasdaq.com/article/interesting-idxx-put-and-call-options-for-august-17th-cm989178</u>