Tokyo rubber futures jump 3 pct as yen weakens

TOKYO, Jan 18 (Reuters) – Benchmark Tokyo rubber futures <0#JRU:> rose more than 3 percent in early trade on Friday as the yen languished at a 2-1/2 year low against the dollar, boosting share prices, with higher oil prices lending support.

The key Tokyo Commodity Exchange rubber contract for June delivery rose as high as 315 yen per kg, up 3.1 percent.