DJ Robusta Coffee Edges Up, Supply Fears Linger -- Market Talk

1611 GMT London-traded robusta coffee edges higher despite a weaker arabica

price in New York. Volume is split between September and November, with September up 0.17% at \$1,794 a metric ton, and November up 0.27% at \$1,826 a ton. Coffee supply has been dogged by drought in major producer Brazil, hurting the domestic supply there and putting pressure on Vietnam to provide beans for roasters. While the shortfall has been obvious for months, analysts and traders are increasingly concerned that coffee trees will not recover for the next crop, and this has pushed up the price of the September contract 2.34% this week. (katherine.dunn@wsj.com)

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