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Office of the Secretariat  
Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
Three Lafayette Centre  
1155 21<sup>st</sup> Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20581

**Re: Rule Certification. NYMEX Submission 04.136 – Amended Notification of Amendments to NYMEX Division Rules 9.26, 9.27 and 9.34.**

Dear Ms. Jean Webb:

The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. (“NYMEX” or the “Exchange”) hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) of amendments to NYMEX Division Rules 9.26, All Month/Any One Month Position Accountability; 9.27, Expiration and Current Delivery Month Position Limits; and 9.34, Reportable Levels.

Effective October 18, 2004, these amendments include the addition of position limits, accountability levels and reportable levels for the Henry Hub Natural Gas Penultimate Swap Futures Contract. Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act (“Act”) and CFTC Rule 40.6, the Exchange hereby certifies that the new amendments comply with the Act, including regulations under the Act.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at 212-299-2940.

Very truly yours,

Nancy M. Minett  
Vice President  
Compliance Department

**Attachments**

cc: Thomas LaSala  
Brian Regan

**Amendments to NYMEX Rules 9.26, 9.27 and 9.34**  
(Strikethroughs indicate deletions; Bold and underlined indicates additions.)

**9.26 All Month/Any One Month Position Accountability**

(Sections (A) through (D) remain unchanged.)

**I. Futures Contracts Listed for Open Outcry Trading**

	<b>Net Futures or Futures- Equivalent Position Accountability Levels</b>
Light Sweet Crude Oil (also includes WTI Calendar Swap, Crude Oil Average Price Options and Crude Oil Look-Alike Options)	20,000 contracts
NYMEX Brent Crude Oil	20,000 contracts
New York Harbor Unleaded Gasoline (also includes Unleaded Gasoline Average Price Options and Unleaded Gasoline Look-Alike Options)	7,000 contracts
New York Heating Oil (also includes NY Harbor Calendar Swap, Heating Oil Average Price Options and Heating Oil Look-Alike Options)	7,000 contracts
Natural Gas (also includes Henry Hub Swap, <b><u>Henry Hub Natural Gas Penultimate Swap</u></b> and Natural Gas Look-Alike Options)	12,000 contracts
Liquefied Propane Gas	1,500 contracts
Palladium	625 contracts
Platinum	1,500 contracts
Central Appalachian Coal	5,000 contracts

The Position Accountability levels for the PJM Calendar Month LMP Swap, PJM Calendar Week LMP Swap and the PJM Calendar Day Ahead LMP Swap shall be 5,000 contracts in the aggregate.

(Sections II through IV. Cash-Settled Crude Oil and Crude Products and Cash-Settled Electricity Power Products remain unchanged.)

**IV. Futures Contracts Listed for Trading Only on NYMEX ClearPort<sup>sm</sup> Trading and also Listed for Clearing of Off-Exchange Transactions Through NYMEX ClearPort<sup>sm</sup> Clearing**

**Net Futures  
or Futures-  
Equivalent  
Position  
Accountability  
Levels**

**Cash-Settled Natural Gas Products**

Henry Hub Swap

Note: For purposes of this rule, positions in this contract are aggregated with positions in the Natural Gas futures contract as indicated in Subsection I. above.

**Henry Hub Natural Gas Penultimate Swap**

**Note: For purposes of this rule, positions in this contract are aggregated with positions in the Natural Gas futures contract as indicated in Subsection I. above.**

(Remainder of Rule 9.26 is unchanged.)

## 9.27 Expiration and Current Delivery Month Position Limits or Position Accountability

(Sections (A) and (B) remain unchanged.)

### Futures Contracts

#### I. Futures Contracts Listed for Open Outcry Trading

	Net Futures or Futures-Equivalent Expiration Position Limits
Light, Sweet Crude Oil (also includes WTI Calendar Swap, Crude Oil Average Price Options, and WTI Crude Oil Look-Alike Options)	1,000 contracts
New York Harbor Unleaded Gasoline (also includes NY Harbor Calendar Swap, Unleaded Gasoline Average Price Options, and New York Harbor Unleaded Gasoline Look-Alike Options)	1,000 contracts
New York Heating Oil (also includes NY Harbor Calendar Swap, Heating Oil Average Price Options, and New York Harbor Heating Oil Look-Alike Options)	1,000 contracts
Natural Gas (also includes Henry Hub Swap, <u>Henry Hub Natural Gas Penultimate Swap</u> and Natural Gas Look-Alike Option Contracts)	1,000 contracts
Liquefied Propane Gas	250 contracts
Central Appalachian Coal	200 contracts

(Sections II and III remain unchanged.)

#### IV. Futures Contracts Listed for Trading Only on NYMEX ClearPort<sup>sm</sup> Trading and Listed for Clearing of Off-Exchange Transactions Through NYMEX ClearPort<sup>sm</sup> Clearing

Net Futures or  
Futures-Equivalent  
Expiration Position  
Limits

(Cash-Settled Crude Oil and Crude Oil Products and Electricity Power Products remain unchanged.)

#### Cash-Settled Natural Gas Products

Henry Hub Swap

Note: For purposes of this rule, positions in this contract are aggregated with positions in the Natural Gas futures contract.

#### Henry Hub Natural Gas Penultimate Swap

Note: For purposes of this rule, positions in this contract are aggregated with positions in the Natural Gas futures contract.

(The remainder of Rule 9.27 remains unchanged.)

### 9.34 Reporting Levels

Section (A), including Commodity, and Futures Contracts listed for Trading Only on NYMEX ClearPort(sm) Trading and also Listed for Clearing of Off-Exchange Transactions Through NYMEX ClearPort(sm) Clearing, remain the same.

(A) The quantities fixed for the purposes of filing a report under Rule 9.33 are:

(Commodity Section remains unchanged.)

#### **Futures Contracts listed for Trading Only on NYMEX ClearPort(sm) Trading and also Listed for Clearing of Off-Exchange Transactions Through NYMEX ClearPort(sm) Clearing**

Henry Hub Swap	175 contracts
<b><u>Henry Hub Natural Gas Penultimate Swap</u></b>	<b><u>100 contracts</u></b>
WTI Calendar Swap	350 contracts
Louisiana Light Sweet Crude Oil	350 contracts
West Texas Sour Crude Oil	25 contracts

(The remainder of Rule 9.34 remains unchanged.)