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

**RE: NYMEX Submission 05.06: Notification of Holiday Trading
Schedules and Hours for NYMEX-Europe Trading Facility in Dublin,
Ireland**

Dear Ms. Webb:

The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or the "Exchange") is submitting this filing to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") as a self-certification of our upcoming schedule of shortened trading hours for the Exchange's NYMEX-Europe trading facility in Dublin Ireland. Specifically, on Friday, January 14, 2005, and again on Monday, January 17, 2005, trading in the NYMEX Brent Crude Oil futures contract will commence at the usual listed hours of 10:00 AM (Dublin time) but will close 90 minutes earlier than usual at 6:00 PM (Dublin time.) The earlier closing on these two days is in connection with the shortened trading day on Friday on the Exchange's New York trading floors and in connection with the Exchange holiday in New York on Monday in observance of the federal Martin Luther King holiday.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act") and CFTC Rule 40.6, the Exchange hereby certifies that this schedule complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act. This revised trading schedule commences with shortened trading hours for trade date January 14, 2005.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2207.

Very truly yours,

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Vice President & Counsel

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