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Re: Rule Certification. NYMEX Submission 05.225 – Notification of Amendment to COMEX Division Rule 104.89.

Dear Ms. Jean Webb:

The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. (“NYMEX” or the “Exchange”) hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) of an amendment to COMEX Division Rule 104.89, Settlement Price Committee.

Effective Tuesday, January 3, 2006, Staff will be integrated into the Settlement Committee for Gold Options to serve as a voting member with veto authority over the daily settlement prices. The Commission was previously notified of the procedure to add Staff to the COMEX Settlement Committees in NYMEX Submission 04.142 dated October 25, 2004. 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 feel free to contact me at (212) 299-2940.

Very truly yours,

Nancy M. Minett
Vice President
Compliance Department

Attachments

cc: Thomas LaSala
Brian Regan

(Additions are in bold/underlined; deletions are bold/strikethrough.)

COMEX Rule 4.89, Settlement Price Committee

(A) The Settlement Price Committee, which shall be a Regular Committee, shall consist of such members and permittees as the Chairman may appoint with the consent of the Board.

Additionally, one (1) Exchange employee will be a voting member of the Committee in the Silver **and Gold** Options Contracts, and High Grade Copper Futures. The Exchange employee shall have final authority in all instances to veto and override price determinations made by the Committee. The Committee shall be divided into sub-committees for each futures and options contract traded. To the extent possible, each sub-committee shall consist of at least six (6) Members, at least one of whom shall be a Floor Broker, one of whom shall be a Floor Trader, and one of whom shall represent trade interests (either personal, of his employer, or of a substantial customer base).

(B) At the conclusion of the RTH trading session on the Exchange Floor each day, settlement prices shall be determined for every contract listed.

(C) The Settlement Price Committee, or any subcommittee thereof, shall have the authority to request from any member representing that certain market information should be considered in the determination of a settlement price, such documentation as it deems appropriate including, but not limited to, trading cards and order tickets.