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Via E-Mail

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

**Re: Rule Certification. NYMEX Submission 06.54 – Notification
of an Increase in the Maximum Order Limit Size for NYMEX
miNYTM Futures Contracts.**

Dear Ms. Jean Webb:

The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. (“NYMEX” or the “Exchange”) is self-certifying to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) the attached Notice to Members, which informs NYMEX Members, Member Firms and Clearing Members of an increase in the maximum order limit size for NYMEX miNYTM futures contracts.

Effective Thursday, May 11, 2006, after the roll for trade date Friday, May 12, 2006, the maximum order limit size for the NYMEX miNYTM futures contracts, including Crude Oil (QM), Natural Gas (QG), Heating Oil (QH), and Unleaded Gasoline (QU), is increased to 999 contracts. Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act (“Act”) and CFTC Rule 40.6, the Exchange hereby certifies that this notification filing complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please feel free to contact me at (212) 299-2897.

Very truly yours,

Thomas F. LaSala
Senior Vice President
Compliance and Risk Management

Attachments

cc: Brian Regan
Nancy Minett

Notice No. 06-251
May 10, 2006

TO: ALL NYMEX Division Members

FROM: James Newsome, President

RE: Increase in Maximum Order Limit Size for NYMEX miNY™ Futures Contracts

The Exchange Board of Directors approved an increase in the maximum order limit size for the NYMEX miNY™ futures contracts including Crude Oil (QM), Natural Gas (QG), Heating Oil (QH) and Unleaded Gasoline (QU) to 999 contracts effective Thursday, May 11, 2006 after the roll for trade date Friday, May 12, 2006.

If you should have any inquiries please contact Customer Service at 1-800-438-8616 or via e-mail at custcare@nymex.com.