

November 22, 2006

Via E-Mail

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

**Re: Rule Certification. NYMEX Submission 06.139: Notification of
Procedural Changes for the Hours of Trading and the Opening Call
in Open Outcry Trading Sessions for Energy Futures Contracts**

Dear Ms. Eileen Donovan:

The New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX" or the "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of Procedural Changes for the Hours of Trading and the Opening Call in Open Outcry Trading Sessions for Energy Futures Contracts Related to NYMEX Rule 6.02, "Hours for Trading," and Rule 6.03, "Call."

Effective Monday, December 4, 2006, the procedural changes include the following:

- NY Harbor products futures contracts, Heating Oil (HO), Unleaded Gasoline (HU), and Gasoline Blendstock (RB) will open at 10:00 a.m., similar to the existing time for Crude Oil (CL). Previously these contracts opened at 10:05 a.m.
- Additionally, the opening procedure of all energy futures will be to allow initial months to remain open while subsequent months are opened (i.e., December 06 CL will remain open while January 07 CL opens). Also, spread trading between months that have been opened will be permitted.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act") and CFTC Rule 40.6, the Exchange hereby certifies that the attached procedural changes comply with the Act, including regulations under the Act.

Questions regarding these procedural changes should be directed to George Henderson, Vice President, NYMEX Floor Operations, at (212) 299-2071, and Nancy Minett, Vice President, Compliance, at (212) 299-2940

Very truly yours,

Thomas F. LaSala
Chief Regulatory Officer

cc: Nancy Minett
Brian Regan
George Henderson

Rule 6.02, Hours for Trading

The Board shall establish the hours for trading in commodities on the Exchange for each trading session. All such trading shall take place within the prescribed hours.

Rule 6.03, Call

There may be one or more calls each business day for the purchase and sale of each commodity futures and options contract in which trading is being conducted. Whether a call is to be conducted, and the time and duration of each such call may be determined by the Board. The Board may, from time to time, delegate to the President the authority to determine such time and duration.