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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: Certification: New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc.
Submission #05.150 (Listing of Additional Strike Prices for the
Silver, Copper, Heating Oil, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Unleaded Gasoline
and Related Calendar Spread Option Contracts)

Dear CFTC Commissioners:

Pursuant to COMEX Rule 16.03, COMEX Rule 17.04 and NYMEX Rule 300.20, the President of the New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("Exchange") has directed that additional strike prices be added for certain contract months in the Silver, Copper, Heating Oil, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Unleaded Gasoline and related Calendar Spread option contracts as detailed below:

- (A) On August 22, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:
1. at the strike price of 10550 for the December 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;
 2. at the strike price of 8800 for the December 2005 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;
 3. at the strike price of 10500 for the January 2006 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;
- (B) On August 23, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:
4. at the strike price of -1500 for the October 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas Three month Calendar Spread option contract;
 5. at the strike prices of 12550 and 20000 for the November 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;
 6. at the strike price of 158 for the December 2005 contract month of the Copper option contract;

7. at the strike prices of 11950 and 13050 for the December 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

8. at the strike price of 22100 for the January 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

9. at the strike prices of 12300 and 13400 for the January 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

10. at the strike price of 25000 for the February 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

11. at the strike price of 11000 for the February 2006 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

12. at the strike price of 13600 for the February 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

13. at the strike price of 640 for the March 2006 contract month of the Silver option contract;

14. at the strike price of 1000 for the April 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas One month Calendar Spread option contract;

15. at the strike price of 21600 for the April 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

16. at the strike price of 14000 for the April 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

17. at the strike price of 13000 for the May 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

(C) On August 24, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:

18. at the strike price of 11500 for the September 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

19. at the strike price of 16000 for the October 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

20. at the strike price of 12600 for the November 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

21. at the strike price of 13100 for the December 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

22. at the strike price of 22600 for the January 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

23. at the strike price of 22200 for the January 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

24. at the strike prices of 12450, 13550 and 22000 for the February 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

25. at the strike price of 21900 for the March 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

26. at the strike price of 10650 for the March 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

27. at the strike price of 21900 for the April 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

28. at the strike price of 22200 for the May 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

29. at the strike price of 22200 for the June 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

30. at the strike price of 7600 for the September 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

31. at the strike prices of 7800, 8200 and 8400 for the December 2006 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

32. at the strike prices of 8200 and 8700 for the June 2007 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

(D) On August 25, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:

33. at the strike price of 10150 for the September 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

34. at the strike price of 23800 for the November 2005 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

35. at the strike price of 20800 for the November 2005 contract month of the Unleaded Gasoline option contract;

36. at the strike prices of 11750 and 12850 for the December 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

37. at the strike price of 26200 for the December 2005 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

38. at the strike price of 7900 for the December 2005 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

39. at the strike price of 13300 for the January 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

40. at the strike prices of 12300 and 13400 for the February 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

41. at the strike price of 8100 for the March 2006 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

42. at the strike price of 10800 for the May 2006 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

43. at the strike prices of 8200 and 8700 for the June 2006 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

44. at the strike price of 8700 for the December 2006 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

(E) On August 26, 2005, the Exchange added a call and a put:

45. at the strike price of 10200 for the September 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

46. at the strike price of 19500 for the October 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

47. at the strike price of 8150 for the November 2005 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

48. at the strike price of 13600 for the November 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

49. at the strike price of 8950 for the December 2005 contract month of the Crude Oil option contract;

50. at the strike prices of 10650 and 15800 for the December 2005 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

51. at the strike price of 15700 for the January 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

52. at the strike price of 22400 for the January 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

53. at the strike price of 22400 for the February 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

54. at the strike price of 16700 for the February 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

55. at the strike price of 22400 for the March 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

56. at the strike price of 10800 for the March 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

57. at the strike price of 22400 for the April 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

58. at the strike price of 12700 for the April 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

59. at the strike price of 22400 for the September 2006 contract month of the Heating Oil option contract;

60. at the strike price of 8900 for the September 2006 contract month of the Natural Gas option contract;

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Pursuant to the terms of COMEX Rule 16.03, COMEX Rule 17.04 and NYMEX Rule 300.20, the strike prices noted above are in increments that are consistent with the pricing for the underlying futures contract. COMEX Rule 16.03, COMEX Rule 17.04 and NYMEX Rule 300.20 permit such directed strike prices to be effective upon adoption, provided that notice to the CFTC is given within three business days of the strike price listing.

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

Very truly yours,

Brian Regan
Vice President & Counsel

cc: Christopher K. Bowen
George Henderson
Michael Campanelli
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