

July 7, 2006

BY EMAIL AND FACSIMILE

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

Re: Self-Certification. NYMEX Submission 06.83: Notification of Listing 72 Consecutive Contract Months in the Brent Financial Contract and Delay of Launch on the CME Globex Platform until July 23, 2006.

Dear CFTC Commissioners:

The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or the "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it will list 72 consecutive contract months in the Brent Financial futures contract (Symbol BB) and will delay its launch date on CME Globex trading platform until Sunday evening, July 23, 2006 for trade date July 24. Previously, the Exchange had notified the Commission that the Brent Financial futures contract would be launched on Sunday evening, July 9, 2006 for trade date July 10. This contract will be available during the normal trading hours on the CME Globex electronic trading platform.

This contract will continue to be available for clearing on the NYMEX ClearPort™ Clearing platform. The expanded listing schedule will become effective on Sunday evening, July 23, 2006 for trade date July 24. Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act") and CFTC Rule 40.6, the Exchange hereby certifies that the change in trading venue and listing of additional months complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact Daniel Brusstar, Director, Research, at (212) 299-2604; or contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2390.

Very truly yours,

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