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VIA E-MAIL

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

**Re: Rule Certification. New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. Submission # 11-165:
Notification of Administrative Amendments for Gulf Coast Sour Crude Oil Futures
Contract**

Dear Mr. Stawick:

The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it is self-certifying administrative, non-substantive, amendments to the validity of documents and inspection rules of the Gulf Coast Sour Crude Oil Futures contract (Chapter 506; Commodity Code MB).

In conformance with the underlying cash market standards, the Exchange is self-certifying the (i) amendment to Rule 506.12 ("Validity of Documents") in order to delete the reference to "Inspection Certificate", and (ii) deletion of Rule 506.13 ("Inspection") as the inspection requirement is not applicable to that market.

These amendments are administrative in nature and have no impact on the value of the contract. The amendments are provided in Appendix A below.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act") and CFTC Rule 40.6, the Exchange hereby certifies that the amendments comply with the Act, including regulations under the Act. The amendment shall be effective on trade date Monday, May 9, 2011.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact Daniel Brusstar at (212) 299-2604, (917) 319-4119 or Daniel.brusstar@cmegroup.com or the undersigned at (212) 299-2207, (347) 463-5347 or Felix.Khalatnikov@cmegroup.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Felix Khalatnikov
Dir & Assoc General Counsel

(UNDERSCORE denotes addition; ~~Strikethrough~~-denotes deletion)

506.12. VALIDITY OF DOCUMENTS

The Exchange makes no representation respecting the authenticity, validity or accuracy of any ~~Inspection Certificate~~, Notice of Intention to Deliver, Notice of Intention to Accept, Check or of any document or instrument delivered pursuant to these Rules.

506.13. ~~INSPECTION~~

~~(A) Inspection of product shall be conducted in accordance with pipeline practices.~~

~~(B) A buyer or seller may appoint an Inspection Company to inspect the quality of product delivered. The buyer or seller who requests inspection shall notify the seller or buyer that such inspection will take place. The buyer or seller who requests inspection will pay the costs of the inspection.~~