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

THE SECRETARIAT

**Re: Rule Certification. New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. Submission #08.87:
Notification of Revised Labor Day Hours for NYMEX Energy Products.**

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 revised hours for trading of NYMEX energy products during the Labor Day holiday. On Sunday, August 31, 2008, all NYMEX energy products trading on the CME Globex[®] electronic trading platform opened for trading at 2:30 p.m. (Eastern), with a 2:00 p.m. (Eastern) pre-opening, for a September 2, 2008, trade date. NYMEX ClearPort[®] Clearing and NYMEX ClearPort[®] Trading also re-opened for trading on this revised schedule on Sunday, August 31, 2008. These changes were made in response to concerns about Hurricane Gustav. This submission is being certified now because of confusion about whether this would qualify as a Notification under Rule 40.6(c). This certification follows conversations with CFTC staff regarding the submission of amended trading hours.

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

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (202) 715-8517.

Sincerely,



De'Ana H. Dow
Senior Vice President and
Chief Legislative Counsel

Attachment:

**CME Group Revised Labor Day Holiday Hours for NYMEX Energy Products
All other CME, CBOT and NYMEX products retain previously announced hours**

PRNewswire-FirstCall
NEW YORK and CHICAGO
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NEW YORK and CHICAGO, Aug. 29 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- In response to concerns about Hurricane Gustav, CME Group, the world's largest and most diverse derivatives exchange, today announced that it has revised its Labor Day holiday trading schedule (all times are Eastern time) for NYMEX energy products. On Sunday, August 31, all NYMEX energy products trading on the CME Globex® electronic trading platform will open for trading at 2:30 p.m. (Eastern), with a 2:00 p.m. (Eastern) pre-opening, for a September 2, 2008, trade date. NYMEX ClearPort® Clearing and NYMEX ClearPort® Trading will also now re-open for trading on this schedule on Sunday, August 31.

"We wanted to provide our customers with the opportunity to respond to the storm's potential impact to energy markets as quickly as possible," said CME Group Chief Operating Officer Bryan Durkin. "The ability to trade both our exchange-listed and over-the-counter energy products during this period will be a significant benefit for global energy market participants."

CME Group (<http://www.cmegroup.com/>) is the world's largest and most diverse derivatives exchange. Building on the heritage of CME, CBOT and NYMEX, CME Group serves the risk management needs of customers around the globe. As an international marketplace, CME Group brings buyers and sellers together on the CME Globex electronic trading platform and on trading floors in Chicago and New York. CME Group offers the widest range of benchmark products available across all major asset classes, including futures and options based on interest rates, equity indexes, foreign exchange, energy, agricultural commodities, metals, and alternative investment products such as weather and real estate. CME Group is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol "CME."

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