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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 # 08.105:  
Notification of addition of consecutive contract months to the current year plus the  
next thirteen years on Natural Gas and Natural Gas Look-Alike Option Contracts.**

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 the expansion of the listing of consecutive contract months to the current year plus the next thirteen years through December 2021 for the following Natural Gas Option Contracts:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Option Contract</u>
ON	Natural Gas Options
LN	Natural Gas Look-Alike Options

The new listing will go into effect at the commencement of trading on NYMEX on Sunday, December 7, 2008 for trade date Monday, December 8, 2008 during regular trading hours. The new contract months for both Natural Gas Option Contracts will be listed for trading on the Exchange trading floor and ClearPort<sup>®</sup> Clearing for the balance of the current calendar year (2009) through 2021. When the current calendar year (2009) expires in November 2009, an entire new calendar year (2022) will be listed. Currently, NYMEX lists these option contracts, correspondingly, on the same venues for the balance of the current year plus the following eight calendar years. The option contract months are expanded in accordance with Exchange Rules 370.03 and 560.06, which grant the Board of Directors power to set trading months.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act") and CFTC Rule 40.6, the Exchange hereby certifies that the listing of these additional months complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact Bob Biolsi at (212) 299-2610 or the undersigned at (202) 715-8517.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "De'Ana H. Dow". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

De'Ana H. Dow  
Managing Director  
Government Relations