

# SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

## PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(A) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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**NYMEX HOLDINGS, INC.**

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Nymex Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") is submitting the following material as a courtesy to the nominees for its Board of Directors. The Company believes that these materials will be distributed by such nominees to stockholders prior to the filing and mailing by the Company of its Definitive Proxy Statement. As a matter of policy, the Company's current Board of Directors does not make any recommendation to stockholders regarding the election of nominees.

**Richard Schaeffer (SHAF)**

Dear Members,

I greatly appreciate the opportunity to serve you as the Vice Chairman again. On the surface, everything at the Exchange is going well. However, our near term decisions will guide our future success. The ClearPort platform coupled with the strategic entrance into the European markets exemplifies our commitment to maintain dominance in the Energy and Metals markets.

Under Mitchell's leadership, we will continue to make the strategic decisions necessary to preserve both open outcry and industry leadership in our markets. I ask for your continued input, as your opinions are extremely important to helping us achieve positive results.

I look forward to your comments and suggestions, so please don't hesitate to call me. I can be reached at 212-299-2422 or you can call my cellular at 917-658-2348. We have come a long way, yet still have a long way to go. Thanks again for your continued support.

Regards,

Rich

I, Richard Schaeffer, am the beneficial owner of one (1) share of common stock of NYMEX Holdings, Inc. and one (1) Class A membership in New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc.

A proxy statement containing important information about the election of directors of NYMEX Holdings, Inc. and other matters will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and mailed to the stockholders of NYMEX Holdings prior to NYMEX Holdings' Annual Meeting of Stockholders scheduled for March 15, 2005. You are urged to read the proxy statement when it becomes available. When it is filed with the SEC, the proxy statement, as well as all of NYMEX Holdings' SEC filings, can be obtained free of charge from the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Copies of the proxy statement may also be obtained free of charge from the Office of Corporate Governance of NYMEX Holdings, Inc.

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**Joseph Cicchetti (CICH)**

Hi, from Joseph Cicchetti "CICH".

The NYMEX election is on March 15<sup>th</sup>; the ballots will be going out this week. I'm the incumbent in the Equity category.

Just wanted to touch base, NYMEX is doing well, our floor and clearing business is growing, we have initiated many steps to control spending and our business outlook and strategic plan is on track.

Any and all support to continue with the positive projects on the agenda is greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

I am always available; please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Joseph Cicchetti "CICH"

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I, Joseph Cicchetti am the beneficial owner of one share of common stock of NYMEX Holdings, Inc. and one Class A membership in New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc.

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