FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Rodriguez Christopher	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2007  3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NYMEX HOLDINGS INC [ NMX ]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE NORTH END AVENUE			4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director	10% Owne	r (Mon	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER			X Officer (give title below)	Other (spec	, [ 0. 1110	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street)			SVP - Corporate Dev	elopment	X	•	y One Reporting Person y More than One	
NEW YORK NY 10282						Reporting Po		
(City) (State) (Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	11/17/2014	Common Stock	13,000	59	D		
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,000	(3)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on November 17, 2007, subject to additional terms contained in the grant and, if applicable, other contracts.
- 2. The Restricted Stock Units shall vest in four equal annual installments beginning on November 17, 2007, subject to the qualifications in Note (1).
- 3. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NYMEX Holdings, Inc. common stock.

/s/Christopher Rodriguez

08/10/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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