UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Act of 1934

Date of Report: (Date of earliest event reported): June 3, 2004

NYMEX HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 333-30332 13-4098266

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

One North End Avenue, World Financial Center, New York, NY 10282-1101

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 299 - 2000

N/A

(Former Name or Former address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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NYMEX Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") announced, by mutual agreement with J. Robert Collins, Jr., that it will not renew Mr. Collins' contract as president of the Company, the New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX"), as well as other NYMEX subsidiaries, at the contract expiration date of June 30, 2004. A press release issued by the Company on June 3, 2004 is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NYMEX HOLDINGS, INC.

by: /s/ CHRISTOPHER K. BOWEN

Christopher K. Bowen General Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer

Dated: June 8, 2004

NEW YORK, NY, June 3, 2004 — The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc., today announced that, by mutual agreement, the contract of J. Robert Collins, Jr., as president will not be renewed at the end of the month.

Mr. Collins has been president of the Exchange since July 2001. Prior to that, he was a trade representative on the board of the Exchange as the senior vice president of natural gas trading at El Paso Merchant Energy. He also worked as a natural gas and crude oil options market maker for Pioneer Futures on the floor of the Exchange as a commercial banker at the Dallas Federal Reserve Bank. He holds a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University.

Exchange Chairman Mitchell Steinhause said, "Bo has provided valuable insight and leadership and made many contributions to the Exchange in his three years as president, including major advancements in our technology strategy and platform, greater working relationships with our customers, and stronger involvement in government affairs. We wish him the best of luck as he pursues new career opportunities."