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NYMEX HOLDINGS, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

816 PARTNERS LLC

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On September 27, 2005, Mr. Michel D. Marks, the founding member of 816 Partners LLC ("816 Partners") and a stockholder of NYMEX Holdings, Inc. ("NYMEX"), sent the e-mail set forth below to NYMEX shareholders. The e-mail is being filed as "soliciting materials" pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 because NYMEX has announced that it has signed a non-binding letter of intent with General Atlantic LLC ("General Atlantic") pursuant to which General Atlantic would invest \$135 million for a 10% equity stake in NYMEX and consummation of the transaction would be subject to approval by NYMEX shareholders, among other conditions. Because the e-mail may be deemed to relate to a matter on which shareholders may in the future be asked to vote, it is being filed herewith by 816 Partners. 816 Partners does not hereby concede that the e-mail constitutes proxy soliciting material.

EMAIL FROM MR. MICHEL D. MARKS

To shareholders:

In the past 10 days, I have had considerable contact with many of you.

One question that has come up repeatedly is -- why didn't I come out sooner with this proposal?

In a perfect world, I would have.

But I was not about to come to the table prematurely. I wanted to have a well-thought out and well-financed plan that would bring maximum benefit to shareholders and to the whole NYMEX community.

I plan to be at the meeting on Thursday. I look forward to seeing you, and to hearing more about NYMEX's next step.

Let's have the decision made in our best futures exchange tradition: open-outcry.

We all deserve to have the next step in the growth of the exchange conducted in the most open way possible.

Keep those questions and comments coming. And don't forget to visit our website. We will be adding useful information as it becomes available.

Warm regards,

Michel

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