



New York  
Mercantile Exchange

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Ms. Kathy Gallegos  
SGS North America Inc., Mineral Services Division  
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Dear Ms. Gallegos:

I am pleased to inform you that the New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("Exchange") has complied with regulatory requirements by filing with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission notification of an approved to Supplement No. 3, "Approved Assayers for Gold" of the Gold Futures Contract, Supplement No. 4, "Approved Assayers for Silver" of the Silver Futures Contract and Supplement No. 4, "Approved Assayers for Copper" of the Grade 1 Copper Futures Contract. The approved amendments add SGS Lakefield Research Limited, Lakefield, Ontario, Canada as an Approved Assayer for the Exchange's Gold, Silver and Copper Futures Contracts.

Enclosed is the Notice to Members that informed the Exchange Membership of the approval of SGS Lakefield Research Limited as an Approved Assayer for the Exchange's Gold, Silver and Copper Futures Contracts, effective, Thursday, December 1, 2005.

Should you have any questions please contact Albert J. Getz at 212-299-2608.

Very Truly Yours,

Robert A. Levin  
Senior Vice President

cc: Albert J. Getz