NYMEX HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHAEFFER RICHARD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NYMEX HOLDINGS INC [NYMEX]

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2006

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

ONE NORTH END AVENUE, WORLD FINANCIAL

CENTER

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10282

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Optoin (right to buy)	\$ 59	11/17/2006		A	180,000	<u>(1)</u>	11/17/2014	Common Stock	180,00
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	11/17/2006		A	35,000	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	35,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F • · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SCHAEFFER RICHARD ONE NORTH END AVENUE WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER NEW YORK, NY 10282	X					

Signatures

/s/ Richard
Schaeffer

**Signature of Reporting Person

11/21/2006

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NYMEX common stock.
- (3) The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on November 17, 2007, subject to the qualifications in Note (1).

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