

CME GROUP INC.
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

Under

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

CME GROUP INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

20 South Wacker Drive

36-4459170
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

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Chicago, Illinois 60606

(312) 930-1000

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

NYMEX Holdings, Inc. 2006 Omnibus Long-Term Incentive Plan

(Full title of the plan)

Kathleen M. Cronin

Managing Director, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

CME Group Inc.

20 South Wacker Drive

Chicago, Illinois 60606

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(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

CME Group Inc., a Delaware corporation (CME Group or the Registrant), hereby files this Registration Statement on Form S-8 (this Registration Statement) to register an additional 374,138 shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of CME Group (the CME Group Class A Common Stock) authorized for issuance under the NYMEX Holdings, Inc. 2006 Omnibus Long-Term Incentive Plan (the Plan). On August 22, 2008, NYMEX Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation (NYMEX Holdings), was merged (the Merger) with and into CME NY Inc., a Delaware corporation and a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of CME Group (Merger Sub), pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 17, 2008 and amended as of June 30, 2008, July 18, 2008 and August 7, 2008 (the Merger Agreement), by and among CME Group, Merger Sub, NYMEX Holdings and New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc., a Delaware non-stock corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of NYMEX Holdings. As a result of the Merger, Merger Sub continued as the surviving corporation under the name CME NYMEX Holdings Inc. and as a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of CME Group, and the separate existence of NYMEX Holdings ceased. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, CME Group assumed NYMEX Holdings obligations under the Plan.

In connection with the Merger, CME Group filed a Registration Statement on Form S-4 (No. 333-151577), which was declared effective on July 21, 2008 (the Form S-4), registering 13,064,599 shares of CME Group Class A Common Stock, and the preferred share purchase rights associated therewith, which included 523,865 shares of CME Group Class A Common Stock that were reserved for issuance under the Plan (the Form S-4 Plan Shares). The Form S-4 Plan Shares were also registered on a Registration Statement on Form S-8 pursuant to CME Group's Post Effective Amendment No. 1 on Form S-8 to the Form S-4 (No. 333-151577) (the Post-Effective Amendment on Form S-8), filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on August 27, 2008. Pursuant to General Instruction E (Registration of Additional Securities) of Form S-8 (General Instruction E), this Registration Statement is being filed to register the additional 374,138 shares of CME Group Class A Common Stock, and the preferred share purchase rights associated therewith, reserved for issuance under the Plan. After giving effect to this Registration Statement, an aggregate of 898,003 shares of CME Group Class A Common Stock will have been registered for issuance pursuant to the Plan. Pursuant to General Instruction E, the contents of the Post-Effective Amendment on Form S-8 are incorporated herein by reference.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed by CME Group with the SEC are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) CME Group's Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, filed with the SEC on February 28, 2008;
- (b) CME Group's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, for the quarterly periods ended March 31, 2008 and June 30, 2008, filed with the SEC on May 9, 2008 and August 7, 2008, respectively;
- (c) CME Group's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 28, 2008, March 4, 2008, March 13, 2008, March 17, 2008, March 21, 2008, June 3, 2008, June 5, 2008, June 9, 2008, June 18, 2008, June 23, 2008, June 30, 2008, July 23, 2008, July 24, 2008, August 1, 2008, August 8, 2008, August 13, 2008, August 15, 2008, August 20, 2008, August 26, 2008 and August 28, 2008 (other than the portions of those documents furnished or otherwise not deemed to be filed);
- (d) The description of CME Group Class A Common Stock set forth in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed with the SEC on November 29, 2002 (No. 001-31553) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), including any amendment or report filed with the SEC for the purpose of updating that description; and
- (e) The description of CME Group's Rights Agreement and Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock contained in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on December 4, 2001 (File No. 000-33379) under the Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed for purposes of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed (other than the portions of those documents furnished or otherwise not deemed to be filed) by CME Group pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 8. Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Registration Statement:

| Exhibit Number | Description |
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| 5.1 | Opinion of Kathleen M. Cronin, Managing Director, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, regarding the legality of the securities being issued. |
| 23.1 | Consent of Ernst & Young LLP relating to CME Group Inc. s consolidated financial statements. |
| 23.2 | Consent of Kathleen M. Cronin (included in Exhibit 5.1). |
| 24.1 | Power of Attorney (included on signature pages). |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, on the 11th day of September, 2008.

CME GROUP INC.

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Cronin

Name: Kathleen M. Cronin
Title: Managing Director,
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below, constitutes and appoints Terrence A. Duffy, Craig S. Donohue, James E. Parisi and Kathleen M. Cronin, and each of them, his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agents with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite or necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them, or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. This power of attorney may be executed in counterparts.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on September 11, 2008.

| Signature | Title |
|--|--|
| /s/ Terrence A. Duffy Terrence A. Duffy | Executive Chairman of the Board and Director |
| /s/ Charles P. Carey Charles P. Carey | Vice Chairman of the Board and Director |
| /s/ Craig S. Donohue Craig S. Donohue | Chief Executive Officer and Director |
| /s/ James E. Parisi James E. Parisi | Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer |
| /s/ Jill Harley Jill Harley | Managing Director and Chief Accounting Officer |
| /s/ Mark E. Cermak Mark E. Cermak | Director |
| /s/ Dennis H. Chookaszian Dennis H. Chookaszian | Director |
| /s/ James A. Donaldson | |

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James A. Donaldson

Director

/s/ Larry G. Gerdes
Larry G. Gerdes

Director

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| <i>/s/ Daniel R. Glickman</i> Daniel R. Glickman | Director |
| <i>/s/ Gary M. Katler</i> Gary M. Katler | Director |
| <i>/s/ Patrick B. Lynch</i> Patrick B. Lynch | Director |
| <i>/s/ Leo Melamed</i> Leo Melamed | Director |
| <i>/s/ William P. Miller II</i> William P. Miller II | Director |
| <i>/s/ James E. Newsome</i> James E. Newsome | Director |
| <i>/s/ C. C. Odom, II</i> C. C. Odom, II | Director |
| <i>/s/ Alex J. Pollock</i> Alex J. Pollock | Director |
| <i>/s/ John F. Sandner</i> John F. Sandner | Director |
| <i>/s/ Terry L. Savage</i> Terry L. Savage | Director |
| <i>/s/ Robert H. Steele</i> Robert H. Steele | Director |
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