

CBOT HOLDINGS INC

Form 425

March 15, 2007

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 EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 15, 2007
INTERCONTINENTALEXCHANGE, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

001-32671

58-2555670

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

(Commission
File No.)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

2100 RiverEdge Parkway, Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30328

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (770) 857-4700

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrants under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

IntercontinentalExchange, Inc. (ICE) issued a press release today announcing that ICE made a proposal to the Board of Directors of CBOT Holdings, Inc. (CBOT) to combine the two companies in a stock-for-stock transaction as an alternative to the previously announced merger of CBOT with Chicago Mercantile Exchange Holdings, Inc. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. ICE will host an investor call and presentation on Thursday, March 15, at 8:30 a.m. Eastern time to discuss the proposal. The presentation is available on ICE s website and additional details regarding the call are available in the attached press release. The presentation is also attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

99.1 Press Release dated March 15, 2007.

99.2 Investor Presentation ICE Proposal to Combine with CBOT dated March 15, 2007.

Forward-Looking Statements *Certain statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K may contain forward-looking information regarding IntercontinentalExchange, Inc., CBOT Holdings, Inc., and the combined company after the completion of the possible merger that are intended to be covered by the safe harbor for forward-looking statements provided by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements about the benefits of the merger transaction involving ICE and CBOT, including future strategic and financial benefits, the plans, objectives, expectations and intentions of ICE following the completion of the merger, and other statements that are not historical facts. Such statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of ICE s management and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements.*

The following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in such forward-looking statements regarding the success of the proposed transaction: the failure of CBOT to accept ICE s proposal and enter into definitive agreements to effect the transaction, the risk that the revenue opportunities, cost savings and other anticipated synergies from the merger may not be fully realized or may take longer to realize than expected; superior offers by third parties; the ability to obtain governmental approvals and rulings on or regarding the transaction on the proposed terms and schedule; the failure of ICE or CBOT stockholders to approve the merger; the risk that the businesses will not be integrated successfully; disruption from the merger making it difficult to maintain relationships with customers, employees or suppliers; competition and its effect on pricing, spending and third-party relationships and revenues; social and political conditions such as war, political unrest or terrorism; general economic conditions and normal business uncertainty. Additional risks and factors are identified in ICE s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), including ICE s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006, as filed with the SEC on February 26, 2007.

You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this Current Report on Form 8-K. Except for any obligations to disclosure material information under the Federal securities laws, ICE undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Important Merger Information

In connection with the proposed transaction, and assuming the merger proposal is accepted by CBOT, ICE intends to file relevant materials with the SEC, including a proxy statement/prospectus regarding the proposed transaction. Such documents, however, are not currently available. INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION, IF AND WHEN IT BECOMES

AVAILABLE, BECAUSE IT WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Investors will be able to obtain a free copy of the proxy statement/prospectus, if and when such document becomes available, and related documents filed by ICE or CBOT without charge, at the SEC's website (<http://www.sec.gov>). Copies of the final proxy statement/prospectus, if and when such document becomes available, may be obtained, without charge, from ICE by directing a request to ICE at 2100 RiverEdge Parkway, Suite 500, Atlanta, Georgia, 30328, Attention: Investor Relations; or by emailing a request to ir@theice.com.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. No offering of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. ICE and its directors, executive officers and other employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. You can find information about ICE's executive officers and directors in ICE's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on February 26, 2007 and in ICE's proxy statement for its 2006 annual meeting of stockholders, dated April 3, 2006. Additional information about the interests of potential participants will be included in the prospectus/proxy statement, if and when it becomes available, and the other relevant documents filed with the SEC.

SIGNATURE

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

INTERCONTINENTALEXCHANGE,
INC.

/s/ Johnathan H. Short
Johnathan H. Short
Senior Vice President, General Counsel

Date: March 15, 2007

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