

Part B Consultation Questions – Volatility Control Mechanism

Please indicate your preference by checking the appropriate boxes and provide reasons to support your views. Where there is insufficient space, please attach additional pages as necessary.

1. Do you support the introduction of an instrument-level VCM based on a dynamic price limit model in Hong Kong?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

Standardization, Consistency, Transparency, Best Practices which are in line with Global Exchanges which allows for best execution. The HKeX needs to evolve in order to support the growth of new products in the market place.

It is important to have any form of circuit breakers which currently do not exist

• It may also make sense that in addition to dynamic controls, absolute limits are applied

2. Do you agree that the proposed VCM model should only be applied to the HSI and HSCEI constituent stocks in the securities market?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

we should apply to ALL stocks after the VCM model is fully implemented

3. Do you agree that the proposed VCM model should only be applied to the HSI, HHI, MHI & MCH (spot month and the next calendar month) index futures in the derivatives market?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

No VCM Model should be applied to all securities.

4. Do you agree that the market should have a 15-minute uninterrupted trading period before the end of the last continuous trading?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

Safety Measures like the VCM should apply at all stages of trading

5. Do you agree with the proposed reference price for the securities market, namely the price of last trade 5 minutes ago? If not, what would you prefer?

Yes

No, I would prefer: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

This is a fair amount of time.

6. Do you agree with our proposed reference price for the derivatives market, namely the price of last trade 5 minutes ago? If not, what would you prefer?

Yes

No, I would prefer: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

All markets should be protected by appropriate circuit breakers, regardless of the security

7. Do you agree with the proposed triggering level for the securities market, namely 10% from the reference price across the proposed instruments covered by the VCM? If not, what level would you prefer?

Yes

No, level that I would prefer: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

10% is very wide for dynamic measures, suggest 5%....

8. Do you agree with the proposed triggering level for the derivatives market, namely 5% from the reference price across the proposed instruments covered by the VCM? If not, what level would you prefer?

Yes

No, level that I would prefer: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

9. Do you agree that a maximum of two VCM triggers per trading session per instrument should be imposed to minimise market interruption?

Yes

No, I would prefer: 1 VCM trigger per trading session should be enough

Please give reasons for your view.

We are not trying to limit market movement but potential error trades going through the market, it's unlikely after the first VCM we have another in the same stock unless it's warranted at which point it should be free to trader and a market to be made on the stock for it to clear.

10. Do you support trading within a price limit during the cooling-off period? If not, do you prefer another approach?

Yes

No, another approach that I prefer: Would rather have the circuit breaker kick and stock be halted until further review was done on reason for move.

Please give reasons for your view.

11. After the cooling-off period, do you support resuming the same dynamic price limit monitoring mechanism (i.e. $\pm 10\%$ ($\pm 5\%$) from the last trade 5 minutes ago in the securities (derivatives) market)? If not, do you prefer another approach?

Yes

No, I would prefer: using the previous limit up/down price as the reference price would be easy and simply to understand by market

Please give reasons for your view.

12. Do you have any other suggestions on enhancing the resumption procedures?

Auction

13. Do you agree that the duration of the cooling-off period should be 5 minutes for both the securities and derivatives markets? If not, what would you prefer and why?

Yes

No, I would prefer: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

5 minutes is more than enough, markets trade in micro-seconds these days.

14. Do you agree with the additional market data dissemination for the proposed VCM model? If not, what would you propose and why?

Yes

No, I would propose: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

15. If a VCM is triggered for a given instrument, should trading of related instruments (e.g. futures contract of different contract months) on the same underlying continue as normal?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

16. If a VCM is triggered for a given instrument, should trading of derivatives (e.g. single stock options or warrants) of that instrument continue as normal?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

17. Do you have any other comments on the VCM proposal?

Long Over Due.

Part C Consultation Questions – Closing Auction Session

18. Do you support the introduction of the new CAS model in the Hong Kong securities market?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

HK is the only developed market and one of the few EM markets which does not have a CAS. It allows for a fair and transparent market place.

19. Do you agree that the new CAS model should only be applied to the major index constituent stocks (i.e. Hang Seng Composite LargeCap Index and Hang Seng Composite MidCap Index constituents as well as other Stock Connect Securities for Southbound trading)?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

it should apply to All stocks after the CAS model fully implemented

20. Do you agree that the new CAS model should be applied to ETF? If yes, which type of ETF should be applied?

Yes

(i) Apply to all ETFs

(ii) Only apply to ETFs with Hong Kong stocks as underlying

No

Please give reasons for your view.

Would stop the gaming of the system for stocks suspended yet part of a basket ETF

21. Do you agree that at a later stage, the new CAS model should be expanded to other equity securities and funds as proposed? If so, when should the CAS be rolled out to these securities and funds?

- Yes, roll out time should be: after the CAS fully implemented without any issues
- No

Please give reasons for your view.

Should have a six month review process that everything is working as indicated.

22. Do you agree that that the new CAS model should exclude structured products, equity warrants and debt securities?

- Yes
- No

Please give reasons for your view.

23. Do you support introducing a price limit during the CAS?

- Yes
- No

Please give reasons for your view.

At it's initial stages we should have a mechanism to protect investors and once again reviewed over a six month period.

24. Do you support a price limit of 5% during the Order Input Period for all CAS Securities?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

Anything less than that would not allow for liquidity to clear, this is based on several studies across our industry.

25. Do you agree that a further price limit within the best bid and best ask should be applied during the No-Cancellation Period and Random Closing Period?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

26. Do you agree that at-auction limit orders should be allowed throughout the CAS?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

They are the basis of price discovery.

27. Do you think short selling orders with a tick rule should be allowed during the CAS?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

28. If short selling order is to be allowed, should it be at or higher than the reference price?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

To discourage market manipulation and increase transparency.

29. Do you agree that order amendment and cancellation should be disallowed during the No-Cancellation Period and Random Closing Period?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

Stops gaming of the system.

30. Do you agree that random closing be adopted in the CAS to prevent gaming?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

31. If random closing is to be adopted, should it be over a period of up to 2 minutes or would you prefer a different duration?

Up to 2 minutes

A different duration: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

This should be more than enough time..

32. In the absence of a final IEP, do you agree that the reference price should be used as the closing price and for trade matching?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

33. What would be the preferred duration of the CAS?

(i) Same as the proposed model, i.e. 7-minute Order Input Period to end the CAS at 16:12

(ii) 5-minute Order Input Period to end the CAS at 16:10

(iii) Others, please specify:

Approach (i)

Approach (ii)

Approach (iii), please specify: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

34. Do you agree that some features of the new CAS model may also be beneficial for the POS and/or the Trading Halts? If so, which feature(s)?

Yes, the feature(s): _____

No

Please give reasons for your view.

I am happy with the pre-market opening mechanism.

35. Do you agree that any enhancements for POS and/or the Trading Halts should be implemented later rather than during the introduction of the new CAS?

Yes

No

Please give reasons for your view.

This will create efficient market price discovery and should take priority

36. Do you foresee any issues with your day end processing such as margin calls in the cash market due to the extended trading time for 12 minutes? If yes, how may the issue be resolved?

Yes, suggested solution: _____

No

Please give reasons for your view.

37. To maintain the 45 minutes break before the start of AHFT, do you agree that the start time of AHFT to be changed from 17:00 to 17:15? If not, what time do you prefer?

Yes

No, time that you prefer: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

Part D Consultation Questions – Implementation Approach and Timeline

38. Which implementation approach for the securities market would you prefer:

- (i) the development and testing of the VCM, CAS and Trading Halts functionalities are to be implemented together on the AMS/3.8 platform and be rolled out one by one; or
- (ii) (1) the development, testing and rollout of VCM and CAS are to be implemented together on the AMS/3.8 platform, and (2) Trading Halts proposal is to be introduced as part of the Exchange’s next-generation trading system, the Orion Trading Platform-Cash; or
- (iii) Others, please specify.

Approach (i)

Approach (ii)

Approach (iii), please specify: _____

Please give reasons for your view.

They key here is time, CAS should take prioroty in implementation.

39. What should be the implementation priority among the three initiatives (i.e. VCM, CAS and Trading Halts) in the securities market?

Please give reasons for your view.

CAS, VCM, Trading Halts.

40. How long do you need to prepare for the rollout starting from the issuance of the specification for each initiatives:

- (i) VCM:
 - a). under 3 months;
 - b). 4-6 months;

c). 7-12 months

d). >12 months

Please give reasons for your view.

(ii) CAS:

a). under 3 months;

b). 4-6 months;

c). 7-12 months

d). >12 months

Please give reasons for your view.

Long Over Due.

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