Guiding Note on Use of Hang Seng Family of Indexes

(for Licensed Information Vendors and End-Users)

<u>PURPOSE</u>

Pursuant to clause 10.6 of the Market Data Vendor Licence Agreement and 10.5 of the Market Data End-User Licence Agreement, HKEX Information Services Limited ("HKEX-IS") shall notify the licensed information vendors ("IVs") and end-users ("EUs") on the requirement on the use of the Third Party Content. This guiding note is to clarify the issues related to Hang Seng indexes which is being carried through the information systems of HKEX.

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