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通告 CIRCULAR

事項

Subject: Intra-day Variation Adjustments and Margin Requirements in respect of the Lunar New Year Holidays – **Reminder**

查詢

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Reference is made to the circular (Ref: DCRM/HKCC/010/2013) dated 28 January 2013 regarding the risk management measures to be adopted by the Clearing House in respect of the forth-coming Lunar New Year Holidays. Participants are kindly reminded to take note of the following arrangements:

1. Mandatory intra-day variation adjustments on Clearing Participants in the Hang Seng Index (“HSI”), Mini-Hang Seng Index (“MHI”), H-Shares Index (“HHI”), Mini-H-Shares Index (“MCH”) and HSCEI Dividend Point Index (“DHH”) markets will be made at around 3:00 p.m. on **8 February 2013**.
2. The margin levels of HSI, MHI, HHI and MCH futures contracts will be increased temporarily after the close of business on **7 February 2013** as follows:

		<u>Client Margin</u>		<u>Clearing House Margin</u>
		<u>Initial</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>	
		<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>
HSI	Current Level	73,850 per lot	59,050 per lot	59,050 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	74,250 per lot	59,400 per lot	59,400 per lot
MHI	Current Level	14,770 per lot	11,810 per lot	11,810 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	14,850 per lot	11,880 per lot	11,880 per lot
HHI	Current Level	37,950 per lot	30,350 per lot	30,350 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	39,900 per lot	31,950 per lot	31,950 per lot
MCH	Current Level	7,590 per lot	6,070 per lot	6,070 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	7,980 per lot	6,390 per lot	6,390 per lot

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The margin levels of DHH will remain unchanged. For avoidance of doubt, the current margin levels of DHH are restated below:

		<u>Client Margin</u>		<u>Clearing House</u>
		<u>Initial</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>	<u>Margin</u>
		<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>
DHH	Current Level	1,910 per lot	1,540 per lot	1,540 per lot

The spread margin rates will remain unchanged during this period. The margin levels of HSI, MHI, HHI and MCH futures contracts will be restored to the current levels after the close of business on **8 February 2013**.

To assist Participants in better assessing the potential margin impacts at both clearing house and client levels, the Clearing House has made available a set of simulated Risk Parameter Files (“Simulated RPF”) on the HKEx website for Participants’ margin estimation purpose. This set of Simulated RPF is prepared based on the settlement prices of 31 January 2013 and the temporarily increased margin levels. Participants may make use of these simulated RPF to estimate the respective clearing house and client margin requirements under the temporarily increased margin levels for their portfolios as well as the estimated funding requirements thereof. Participants should note that these simulated RPF are **for reference only** and do not intend to replace any daily RPF which are available at the end of each business day for the calculation of the actual day-end margin requirements.

For the purpose of the Capital-Based Position Limit (CBPL) assessment and the necessary additional margin calculation on the trading day prior to the holiday period, the normal margin rates instead of the temporarily increased holiday margin rates will be applied. In this regard, the Clearing House will disseminate the tailor-made risk parameter file carrying the normal margin rates (“Normal Margin RPF”) via its website after the close of business on **7 February 2013** to assist participants in monitoring their CBPL.

The “Simulated RPF” and the “Normal Margin RPF” as mentioned above can be downloaded from the HKEx website with the hyperlink stated below:

http://www.hkex.com.hk/eng/market/rm/rm_dcrm/riskdata/Documents/HolidayRPF_Jan13.zip

Please ensure your staffs are fully aware of both the mandatory intra-day variation adjustments and the temporary increase in the margin levels and make necessary arrangement with your designated bank. You are also strongly advised to give advanced notice to your clients regarding these arrangements where appropriate and ensure adequate margin deposits from your clients are maintained during the holiday period.

For and on behalf of
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