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To: All Securities Market Data Vendors

Cc: Hang Seng Indexes Company Limited

Dear Sirs,

HKEx Publishes Consultation Paper on Trading Halts Proposal

Please be informed that Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEx) published a consultation paper last Friday 27 July 2012 to seek views on its proposal to implement trading halts that would allow its listed companies to publish announcements with price sensitive information during trading hours.

The news release on the subject is enclosed for your information.

Should you have any queries, please feel free to call our Vendor Support Hotline at (852) 2211 6558.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl.: News Release