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By Email
(Enclosure by Email only)

**To: All Direct Connection Securities Market Data Vendors; and
Hang Seng Indexes Company Limited
(Collectively IVs)**

Dear Sirs,

**(1) Market Rehearsals for Migration of MDS3.8 to Tseung Kwan O Data Centre and
(2) Regular AMS/3.8 Rehearsal on 6 October 2012 (“the Rehearsal”)**

Please note that the construction work of the HKEx’s Next Generation Data Centre at Tseung Kwan O (TKODC) to host all the cash, derivative and clearing systems is near completion. The security trading applications including AMS/3.8, MDS/3.8 and related systems (“the systems”) will be the first systems to be relocated to the TKO Data Centre.

To enable a smooth transition of cash market operations to TKODC, two Market Rehearsals (MRs) will be conducted on **22 September and 6 October 2012** as the final verification of the market readiness before the cutover of the systems to the new data centre.

The first MR on 22 September will focus on the normal operation. The second MR on 6 October will cover two modes of system recovery under emergency situations. The first mode of system recovery is "Re-start AMS/3.8 Primary System after system failure during the Order Input Period of the Pre-opening Session". The second mode of system recovery is "Re-start AMS/3.8 Backup System after system failure during the Continuous Trading Session".

All IVs are requested to participate in the MRs to verify their connectivity to the MDS/3.8 host at the TKODC. **The second MR on 6 October 2012 which also covers the Rehearsal is mandatory for IVs.**

We herewith enclose the following documents for your reference:

- ◆ Enclosure 1 - Test Rundowns of the first MR on 22 September 2012 (Saturday)
- ◆ Enclosure 2 - Test Rundowns of the second MR on 6 October 2012 (Saturday)
- ◆ Enclosure 3 - Test Participation Form for the MRs
- ◆ Enclosure 4 - Test Result Confirmation Form for the MRs

Please complete and return the enclosed Test Participation Form by 14 September 2012 (Friday). Upon the completion of the MRs, you are required to submit the duly completed Test Result Confirmation Form as enclosed no later than 6:00 pm on the test date.

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

Yours sincerely,

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Encl.: 1) First Market Rehearsal Test Rundown; 2) Second Market Rehearsal Test Rundown; 3) Test Participation Form; 4) Test Result Confirmation Form