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**By Email**

**To: HKEX-IS Licensed Information Vendors and End-Users (Collectively “Clients”)**

### **Changes to Quote Meter Audit Report Submission Requirements**

Please be informed that HKEX-IS will streamline the requirement for the submission of Quote Meter Audit Report (“QMR”) to reduce the operational cost for Clients with Per Quote Access and/or Charge Per Unit Time services (“Usage Based Services”).

#### **One-time QMR Submission**

Effective 2 April 2019, Clients with Usage Based Services are only required to submit an initial QMR within 90 days upon the end of the financial year in which the Services are launched, recurring QMR submissions are no longer required under the streamlining initiative.

For the avoidance of doubt, the annual QMR submission requirement is still applicable for financial years prior to 2019; Clients first launched the Usage Based Services in 2018 are only required to submit an initial QMR within 90 days upon the end of such financial year.

#### **QMR Certified by 3<sup>rd</sup> Party or Internal Auditor/Accountant**

To further streamline the QMR submission process, Clients may submit the QMR either certified by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party auditor or internal accountant/auditor with an authorized signatory (please refer to the Guiding Note for Audit Metering System for details).

#### **Guiding Note for Audit Metering System**

An updated Guiding Note for the scope and requirements for Metering System Audit is now available on HKEX website ([Link](#)). Should there be any queries on Metering System Audit or the above initiative, please contact us via [DataClientAudit@hkex.com.hk](mailto:DataClientAudit@hkex.com.hk).

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