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HKEX INFORMATION SERVICES LIMITED

(A wholly-owned member of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited Group)

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To: Direct Connection Data Vendors of Issuer Information feed Service ("IIS") (collectively

"Clients")

Copy: Indirect Connection IIS Data Vendors

<u>Market Rehearsals for Backbone Network Upgrade and Relocation of Secondary Data</u> Centre ("SDC") for Issuer Information feed Service ("IIS")

To ensure the robustness and stability of our infrastructure for IIS, HKEX plans to upgrade the backbone network and relocate the SDC to a newer equipped data centre. This infrastructure upgrade is transparent to Clients as it will not induce any interface change and will not require any change of network connectivity configuration at client side to access the new SDC.

Although this upgrade is transparent to Clients, to ensure the proper connectivity setup between HKEX and Securities and Derivatives Network ("SDNET") Accredited Vendors as well as HKEX Service Network ("HSN") for all Clients after the upgrade, all direct connection Clients have to participate in the Market Rehearsal.

The schedule of the MRs are set out as follows. Please complete the <u>Online Test Participation Form</u> for the MR1 <u>on or before 5 March 2021 (Friday)</u>. Test details will be provided to registered test contacts no later than 10 March 2021.

Activity	Schedule	Participation
MR1	13 March 2021 (Saturday)	Mandatory
MR2	20 March 2021 (Saturday)	Mandatory to Clients fails to pass the MR1

Subject to the successful completion of the MRs, the backbone network upgrade and relocation of SDC for IIS are planned to be rollout on 17 April 2021. Details and rollout arrangement will be further provided.

Should you have any queries, please contact us at (852) 2211 6558 or send your questions to IVSupport@hkex.com.hk.

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