# **Amendments to Main Board Listing Rules**

# **Chapter 8**

### **EQUITY SECURITIES**

#### QUALIFICATIONS FOR LISTING

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### **Basic Conditions**

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The issuer must satisfy either the profit test in rule 8.05(1) or the market capitalisation/revenue/cash flow test in rule 8.05(2) or the market capitalisation/revenue test in rule 8.05(3).

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## The market capitalisation/revenue test

- (3) To meet the market capitalisation/revenue test, a new applicant must satisfy each of the following, unless otherwise-waived by the Exchange under rule 8.05A:
  - (a) a trading record of <u>at least not less than</u> three financial years;
  - (b) management continuity for at least the three preceding financial years;
  - (c) ownership continuity and control for at least the most recent audited financial year;
  - (d) a market capitalisation of at least HK\$4,000,000,000 at the time of listing; and
  - (e) revenue of at least HK\$500,000,000 for the most recent audited financial year; and
  - (f) at least 1,000 shareholders at the time of listing.
- 8.08 There must be an open market in the securities for which listing is sought. This will normally mean that:—

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(2) in the case of <u>for</u> a class of securities new to listing, at the time of listing there must be an adequate spread of holders of the securities to be listed, <u>save except</u> where: (a) the securities to be <u>listed they</u> are options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe <u>for</u> or purchase shares; (b) <u>such securities they</u> are offered to

existing holders of a listed issuer's shares by way of bonus issue; and (c) in the 5 years preceding before the date of the announcement on of the proposed bonus issue, there are no circumstances to indicate that the issuer's shares of the issuer may be concentrated in the hands of a few shareholders. The number will depend on the size and nature of the issue, but in all cases (save for an issuer which chooses to satisfy the alternative financial standard test under rule 8.05(3) see rule 8.05(3)(f)) there must be a minimum of at least 300 shareholders; and