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THE STOCK EXCHANGE OF HONG KONG LIMITED
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通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Shenzhen Connect – Reminder on Investor Eligibility Requirement for Trading of ChiNext Shares

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Reference is made to the circular (Ref. No.: [CT/094/21](#)) dated 13 July 2021 regarding the newly admitted ChiNext shares with stock codes starting with 301XXX.

The Exchange noted that certain China Connect Exchange Participants (“CCEP”) had inadvertently misplaced order instruction for clients that are not Institutional Professional Investors (“IPI”) to trade the newly admitted ChiNext shares.

The Exchange would like to remind CCEPs that trading of ChiNext shares is permitted for IPIs only. With reference to Rules 14B06(16) to (18) of the Rules of the Exchange, a CCEP shall not accept any instruction to buy or sell ChiNext shares for any clients unless it is reasonably satisfied that the client is an IPI.

The Exchange would further remind CCEPs that:

- CCEPs should have appropriate controls (including regular and appropriate post-trade review which covers all clients including the underlying clients of intermediary broker clients) in place to prevent non-compliance with the relevant requirements and necessary measures to rectify breaches;
- CCEPs should have prior arrangements with their clients to facilitate the unwinding of ineligible ChiNext transactions of non-IPIs as soon as possible; and
- As is the case of any violation of any rule of HKEX and/or the Exchange, CCEPs should report the relevant incident to the Exchange as soon as possible.

For more information on the investor eligibility requirement for trading of ChiNext shares and STAR shares¹ and, please refer to the [Stock Connect Frequently Asked Questions](#).

The Exchange takes any breaches of rules seriously and may commence disciplinary actions against participants in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations.

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¹ Same requirement applies to the trading of STAR shares under Rules 14A06(13) to (15).