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To: Main Board Listed Issuers (Attn: Authorised Representatives)
GEM Listed Issuers (Attn: Authorised Representatives)
Market practitioners

Dear Sirs

Publication of consultation conclusions and Listing Rule amendments

We have published today consultation conclusions on:

- proposed changes to connected transaction rules set out in the consultation paper of 2 October 2009;
- proposals to streamline requirements for issuers' circulars and listing documents set out in the consultation paper of 18 September 2009; and
- proposed new rules for mineral companies set out in the consultation paper of 11 September 2009.

Market feedback indicated general support for the proposals. We have amended the Rules to implement the proposals with minor modifications based on respondents' suggestions. The consultation conclusions are available on the HKEx website:

Subject	Hyperlink
Connected transactions:	http://www.hkex.com.hk/eng/newsconsul/mktconsul/documents/cp200910ctcc.pdf (English) http://www.hkex.com.hk/chi/newsconsul/mktconsul/documents/cp200910ctcc_c.pdf (Chinese)
Circulars and listing documents:	http://www.hkex.com.hk/eng/newsconsul/mktconsul/documents/cp200909crcc.pdf (English) http://www.hkex.com.hk/chi/newsconsul/mktconsul/documents/cp200909crcc_c.pdf (Chinese)
Mineral companies:	http://www.hkex.com.hk/eng/newsconsul/mktconsul/documents/cp200909mcc.pdf (English) http://www.hkex.com.hk/chi/newsconsul/mktconsul/documents/cp200909mcc_c.pdf (Chinese)

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We have also made housekeeping Rule amendments to:

- change the subscription periods for right issues and open offers from calendar days to business days, which relate to the proposals to accelerate rights issues and open offers implemented in February 2010;
- update the Rules to refer to the currently applicable property valuation standards; and
- correct printing errors in the Chinese translation of the Rules.

The Rule amendments will be effective from 3 June 2010. They are available on the HKEx website at “Rules & Regulations - Rules and Guidance on Listing Matters - Amendments to Main Board Listing Rules” and “Rules & Regulations - Rules and Guidance on Listing Matters – Amendments to GEM Listing Rules”. Re-printed pages of the Listing Rules will be distributed shortly.

We have published a series of Frequently Asked Questions relating to the Rule amendments. You may refer to the “Rules & Regulations - Rules and Guidance on Listing Matters – Frequently Asked Questions” section of the HKEx website.

If you have any questions on the above, please do not hesitate to contact our case officers.

Yours faithfully
For and on behalf of
The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

[Signed]

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