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HKFE CLEARING CORPORATION LIMITED (A wholly-owned subsidiary of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited)

通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Risk Management Arrangements in respect of in the National Day and the day following the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival – Reminder
Enquiry: 2211-6901

Reference is made to the circular dated 17 September 2020 (Reference No.: <u>CD/CDCRM/207/2020</u>) regarding the risk management arrangements in respect of the forthcoming holidays for the National Day and the day following the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival. Participants are kindly reminded to take note of the following:

 The margin levels of USD/CNH ("CUS"), CNH/USD ("UCN") and MSCI Asia ex Japan Net Total Return Index ("MXJ") futures contracts will be increased temporarily¹ after the close of business of T session on 29 September 2020 as follows:

| | | Client Margin | | <u>Clearing House</u> <u>Margin</u> |
|-----|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------------|--|
| | | <u>Initial</u> | <u>Maintenance</u> | |
| | | <u>(RMB)</u> | <u>(RMB)</u> | <u>(RMB)</u> |
| CUS | Current Level | 11,956 per lot | 9,564 per lot | 8,990 per lot |
| | Temporarily Increased Level | 13,925 per lot | 11,140 per lot | 10,470 per lot |
| | | | | |
| | | <u>(USD)</u> | <u>(USD)</u> | <u>(USD)</u> |
| UCN | Current Level | 746 per lot | 596 per lot | 561 per lot |
| | Temporarily Increased Level | 927 per lot | 741 per lot | 697 per lot |
| MXJ | Current Level | 3,165 per lot | 2,532 per lot | 2,380 per lot |
| | Temporarily Increased Level | 3,298 per lot | 2,638 per lot | 2,480 per lot |

The margin levels of CUS, UCN and MXJ futures contracts will be restored to the current levels

¹ The spread margin rates will remain unchanged during this period.

after the close of business on 30 September 2020.

The margin levels of Hang Seng Index ("HSI"), Mini-Hang Seng Index ("MHI"), Hang Seng China Enterprises Index ("HHI"), Mini-Hang Seng China Enterprises Index ("MCH") and HSCEI Dividend Point Index ("DHH") futures contracts will remain unchanged. For avoidance of doubt, the current margin levels of HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH and DHH are restated below:

| | | Client Margin | | <u>Clearing House</u> Margin |
|-----|---------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | <u>Initial</u> (HK\$) | <u>Maintenance</u> (HK\$) | <u>(HK\$)</u> |
| HSI | Current Level | 110,257 per lot | 88,205 per lot | 82,900 per lot |
| MHI | Current Level | 22,051 per lot | 17,640 per lot | 16,580 per lot |
| ННІ | Current Level | 44,488 per lot | 35,590 per lot | 33,450 per lot |
| MCH | Current Level | 8,897 per lot | 7,117 per lot | 6,690 per lot |
| DHH | Current Level | 2,048 per lot | 1,638 per lot | 1,540 per lot |

 Mandatory intra-day variation adjustments on Clearing Participants in HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, DHH, MXJ, CUS and UCN markets will be made at around 3:00 p.m. on **30 September** 2020.

A simulated Risk Parameter File (RPF) with temporarily increased margin levels to assist Participants for margin estimation will be provided upon request by email to <u>RMinquiry@hkex.com.hk</u>.

For the purpose of the Capital-Based Position Limit (CBPL) assessment and the necessary additional margin calculation on the trading day prior to the holiday period, the normal margin rates instead of the temporarily increased holiday margin rates will be applied. In this regard, the Clearing House will disseminate the tailor-made risk parameter file carrying the normal margin rates ("Normal Margin RPF") via its website after the close of business on 30 September 2020 to assist participants in monitoring their CBPL.

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The Normal Margin RPF as mentioned above can be downloaded from the HKEX website with the hyperlink stated below:

http://www.hkex.com.hk/-/media/HKEX-Market/Services/Clearing/Listed-Derivatives/Risk-Management/Reports-and-Data-Download/Simulated-RPF-for-Holiday-Margin/holidayrpf_Sep20.zip

Please ensure that your staffs are fully aware of both the temporary increase in the margin levels and the mandatory intra-day variation adjustments and make necessary arrangement with your designated bank. You are also strongly advised to give advanced notice to your clients regarding these arrangements where appropriate and ensure adequate margin deposits from your clients are maintained during the holiday period.

The Clearing House considers it appropriate to remind you the importance of having proper arrangement in place before and after the holiday period as those days are normal settlement days. In case of any key staffs on vacation before and after the holiday period, please ensure that your backup staffs are familiar with the operational and monitoring procedures to adequately monitor your exposure and fulfill the payment obligations to the Clearing House on time. Any failure in meeting the settlement timelines is an event of default under HKCC Rule 509. Please refer to the circular issued on 21 July 2020 (Reference: <u>CD/CDCRM/152/2020</u>) for more details on the payment obligations of the Participant and the consequence of the delay or failure in meeting the obligations.

For and on behalf of HKFE Clearing Corporation Limited

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