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HKFE CLEARING CORPORATION LIMITED
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通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Implementation of Severe Weather Trading Starting from 23 September 2024
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Reference is made to the Consultation Conclusions for Severe Weather Trading (“SWT”) of Hong Kong Securities and Derivatives Markets published on 18 June 2024 (“[Consultation Conclusions](#)”) and the circulars dated 15 July 2024 and 2 August 2024 (Ref: [CD/OEC/HKCC/198/2024](#) and [CD/OEC/HKCC/220/2024](#)). HKFE Clearing Corporation Limited (“HKCC”) is pleased to announce that regulatory approval has been received for the implementation of SWT. SWT will come into effect starting from 23 September 2024.

All Clearing Participants (“CPs”) are requested to note the following:

Operational Arrangements for SWT

Clearing and settlement of listed derivatives contracts in HKCC will remain available during severe weather (“SW”) conditions² (“SWT Day”)³. All CPs are required to support the clearing and settlement activities during SW conditions as they normally would do on a regular trading day. A summary of operational arrangements for derivative contracts is provided in Attachment 1.

¹ All calls to and from the Enquiry Hotline may be recorded. HKEX Privacy Policy Statement is available [here](#).

² Including Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above or the Black Rainstorm Warning issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, or “Extreme Conditions” announcement by the HKSAR Government

³ With reference to international standards and practices on the operation of the securities and derivatives markets, HKEX will assess specific circumstances in consultation with the HKSAR Government and the Securities and Futures Commission (“SFC”) to decide whether there is an exceptional situation that warrants the markets to be closed. HKEX will make relevant advance announcements to the market as required.

Final Check on Operational and System Readiness for SWT

To ensure safety, remote working and the use of online services are strongly encouraged on a SWT Day. HKCC would like to remind CPs to run through the checklist of the [Severe Weather Trading - Readiness Declaration Form](#) to ensure their operational and system readiness for SWT.

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This circular has been issued in the English language with a separate Chinese language translation. If there is any conflict in the circulars between the meaning of Chinese words or terms in the Chinese language version and English words in the English language version, the meaning of the English words shall prevail.

Attachment 1

Operational Arrangements for Listed Derivatives Contracts

		“Business as Usual” or BAU - Trading Day without SW conditions	SWT Day <i>(Starting from 23 September 2024)</i>
1	Trading	Arrangements follow regular trading day	Same as BAU
2	Determination of Final Settlement Price (“FSP”) or Official Settlement Price (“OSP”)	FSP or OSP can be determined on Last Trading Day or Expiry Day	Same as BAU ⁴
3	Clearing, settlement & collateral management	Arrangements and schedules follow regular trading day and settlement day	Same as BAU ⁵
4	Risk management arrangement such as daily mark-to-market, margin, Reserve Fund (“RF”) contributions, collateral policy and default management	Arrangements and schedules follow regular trading day	Same as BAU
5	Data dissemination of HKEX Orion Market Data Platform – Derivatives Market (“OMD-D”)	Available for connection with full market data dissemination	Same as BAU
6	Large Open Position (“LOP”) Reporting	To report LOP for open positions that opened or accumulated on previous trading day	Same as BAU
7	Holiday Trading	Available	Same as BAU

⁴ Except for One-Month HIBOR Futures and Three-Month HIBOR Futures. Should the last trading day of the One-Month and Three-Month HIBOR Futures fall on a SWT Day, the final settlement price will be based on the HIBOR rate available on the next trading day without severe weather conditions.

⁵ Except for i. One-Month and Three-Month HIBOR Futures, where the corresponding clearing service will be extended accordingly if the HIBOR rate is not available and ii. Gold and Silver Futures, where final settlement will be postponed to next trading day without severe weather conditions.