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HONG KONG SECURITIES CLEARING COMPANY LIMITED
(A wholly-owned subsidiary of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited)

通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Readiness Test for the Upgrade of SDNET Network Switches in HKEX Data Center

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Upgrade of SDNET Network Switches in HKEX Data Center

To ensure the maintainability and reliability of the Securities and Derivatives Network (“SDNET”), Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (“HKEX”) plans to upgrade the Network Switches in HKEX Primary Data Center, whose main function is for connecting SDNET2 Accredited Vendors. The upgrade of Network Switches are technical in nature and confined to the connectivity within HKEX premises. Therefore, CCASS Participants (“CPs”) and Designated Banks (“DBs”) are reminded that neither functional nor end-user connectivity changes will be made alongside the upgrade.

Readiness Test

To ensure a smooth roll out, HKEX will conduct Readiness Test (“RT”) on Saturday, 22 August 2020. **CPs and DBs with connectivity to HKEX via SDNET/2 are highly recommended to participate in the RT** to verify their connectivity readiness to HKEX via the upgraded SDNET Network Switches. Subject to the result of RT, cutover to new Network Switches will be conducted in two batches in late September and early October 2020 respectively. Post Release Test will be arranged on the Saturday prior to cutover.

To facilitate the RT, CCASS online service will be suspended on Saturday, 22 August 2020. CCASS Production Reports for Saturday, 22 August 2020 will be available on the following Monday, 24 August 2020. Participants should inform its relevant IT support or BOS vendors about this arrangement for necessary preparation.

Details of the RT are as follows:

| Date | Time | Objectives |
|------------------------------|--|---|
| 22 August 2020 (Saturday) | RT 2:00pm to 4:00pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify the network connection to HKEX by logging onto CCASS via the upgraded SDNET Network Switches, carry out enquiries and download reports (NO insertion of new transactions required) |
| | Failover Test 4:00pm to 5:00pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify the network connection during the Network Switches Failover tests (performed by HKEX IT). During the network failover, CPs/DBs' connections should normally have no interruption. In case CPs/DBs experience disconnection, CPs/DBs should be able to re-login afterwards. |
| | Production Readiness Test 6:00pm to 7:00pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify the network connection by logging into CCASS after fallback to existing SDNET Network Switches and ready for BAU operations the next business day. |

For better communication on the related activities, CPs and DBs who plan to join the optional RT are required to provide their designated contact details through “**Event**” under [Client Connect](#) **on or before 14 August 2020**.

After completing of the RT, participating CPs and DBs are required to complete and return to HKEX via clearingps@hkex.com.hk the attached “**Confirmation of Readiness Test for the Upgrade of SDNET Network Switches on 22 August 2020**” **on or before 7:30pm on 22 August 2020**.

CPs and DBs are highly recommended to coordinate with their IT teams and/or vendors for necessary system review and preparation for the RT. Moreover, CPs should secure sufficient operation staff and support from their IT teams and/or vendors at all times during the RT. For any enquiries, please contact the CCASS Hotline at 2979-7111 or email at clearingps@hkex.com.hk.

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**Confirmation of Completion of Readiness Test for the Upgrade of
SDNET Network Switches on 22 August 2020**

The CCASS Participants and Designated Banks of Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited are required to complete and return this Confirmation to the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEX) **before 19:30 on 22 August 2020 (Saturday)** by email to clearingps@hkex.com.hk from the designated participating user. Inquiries regarding this form may be directed to CCASS hotline on 2979-7111.

CCASS Participant / Designated Bank Information

Name of the CCASS Participant / Designated Bank

Designated participating user of CCASS
Participant / Designated Bank

Phone No.

Email Address

A. Completion of the Readiness Test (check appropriate box below)

1. Did you experience any connectivity problem during Readiness Test session (2:00pm to 4:00pm)?

- No**, test scenario is completed successfully.
 Yes, please provide details:

2. Did you experience disconnection during the Network Switches Failover Test session (4:00pm to 5:00pm)?

- No**, test scenario is completed successfully.
 Yes, please provide details:

Date : _____

Thank you for completing the Confirmation Form

By returning this form, we consent to the processing of personal data in accordance with the Privacy Policy Statement included in this form.

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Purpose

From time to time we may collect your personal data including but not limited to your name, mailing address, telephone number, email address, date of birth and login name for the following purposes:

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2. to perform or discharge the functions of HKEX and any company of which HKEX is the recognised exchange controller (as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571)) ("Regulatory Functions");
3. to provide you with our products and services and administer your account in relation to such products and services;
4. to conduct research and statistical analysis;
5. to process your application for employment or engagement within HKEX to assess your suitability as a candidate for such position and to conduct reference checks with your previous employers; and
6. other purposes directly relating to any of the above.

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If you do not wish to receive any promotional and direct marketing materials from us or do not wish to receive particular types of promotional and direct marketing materials or do not wish to receive such materials through any particular means of communication, please contact us through one of the communication channels set out in the "Contact Us" section below. To ensure that your request can be processed quickly please provide your full name, email address, log in name and details of the product and/or service you have subscribed.

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We may also collect your identity card number and process this as required under applicable law or regulation, as required by any regulator having authority over us and, subject to the PDPO, for the purpose of identifying you where it is reasonable for your identity card number to be used for this purpose.

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1. transferred to other members of the Group and made available to appropriate persons in the Group, in Hong Kong or elsewhere and in this regard you consent to the transfer of your data outside of Hong Kong;
2. supplied to any agent, contractor or third party who provides administrative, telecommunications, computer, payment, debt collection, data processing or other services to HKEX and/or any of other member of the Group in Hong Kong or elsewhere; and
3. other parties as notified to you at the time of collection.

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Corporate reorganisation

As we continue to develop our business, we may reorganise our group structure, undergo a change of control or business combination. In these circumstances it may be the case that your personal data is transferred to a third party who will continue to operate our business or a similar service under either this Privacy Policy Statement or a different privacy policy statement which will be notified to you. Such a third party may be located, and use of your personal data may be made, outside of Hong Kong in connection with such acquisition or reorganisation.

Access and correction of personal data

Under the PDPO, you have the right to ascertain whether we hold your personal data, to obtain a copy of the data, and to correct any data that is inaccurate. You may also request us to inform you of the type of personal data held by us. All data access requests shall be made using the form prescribed by the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data ("Privacy Commissioner") which may be found on the official website of the Office of the Privacy Commissioner or via this link

<https://www.pcpd.org.hk/english/publications/files/Dforme.pdf>

Requests for access and correction of personal data or for information regarding policies and practices and kinds of data held by us should be addressed in writing and sent by post to us (see the "Contact Us" section below).

A reasonable fee may be charged to offset our administrative and actual costs incurred in complying with your data access requests.

Termination or cancellation

Should your account or relationship with us be cancelled or terminated at any time, we shall cease processing your personal data as soon as reasonably practicable following such cancellation or termination, provided that we may keep copies of your data as is reasonably required for archival purposes, for use in relation to any actual or potential dispute, for the purpose of compliance with applicable laws and regulations and for the purpose of enforcing any agreement we have with you, for protecting our rights, property or safety, or the rights, property or safety of our employees, and for performing or discharging our functions, obligations and responsibilities.

General

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