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通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: UPDATE - AMENDMENT OF RULES IN RELATION TO NORTHBOUND TRADING OF STOCK CONNECT BY CHINA SECURITIES REGULATORY COMMISSION (CSRC), SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE (SSE) AND SHENZHEN STOCK EXCHANGE (SZSE)

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With reference to the Exchange Circular (Ref. No.: [CT/088/22](#)), China Connect Exchange Participants (CCEPs) and Trade-through Exchange Participants (TTEPs) are requested to note that the 1-year transitional period in relation to restricting Mainland investors from Northbound Trading under Stock Connect will end soon.

After the transitional period, i.e. **with effect from 24 July 2023**:

- (1) Any BCAN with “CHN” as the country/ region of issuance (CHN BCAN) shall no longer be used for Northbound Trading. CCEPs and TTEPs shall delete all CHN BCANs for their clients who are Mainland investors. All Northbound buy orders tagged with CHN BCAN will be rejected.
- (2) Mainland investors shall not proactively buy any China Connect Securities through Northbound Trading under Stock Connect (including subscription for right issues (配股)), but excluding obtaining China Connect Securities passively as a result of certain corporate actions (such as distribution of stock dividends).
- (3) China Connect Securities held by Mainland investors could be sold through Northbound Trading under Stock Connect by tagging the reserved values “3 = for individual Mainland investors” or “4 = for institutional Mainland investors”, as the case may be. [The Interface Specifications for HKEX China Connect Central Gateway Platform](#) on HKEX website has been updated. No pre-registration will be required for using the reserved values.

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

- (4) Registration of new CHN BCANs, as well as the change of the country/ region of issuance of existing BCANs to “CHN” will be rejected. [The System File Interface Specification on Northbound Investor ID Model](#) has been updated accordingly.

There is no system change to the Orion Trading Platform – China Stock Connect (OTP-CSC) and the system processing BCAN-CID Mapping File. An End-to-End (E2E) test session will be arranged during the period **from 12 June 2023 to 7 July 2023**, except on the testing host maintenance day, to facilitate CCEPs and TTEPs to verify their own systems and operations in the E2E testing environment on an optional basis to ensure smooth functioning after the transitional period. CCEPs and TTEPs are advised to refer to the [trading calendar](#) of E2E testing environment for details.

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