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'CCASS' stands for Central Clearing and Settlement System, a computerised securities clearing and settlement system developed and operated by Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited (HKSCC).

All instructions and activities in CCASS are subject to the General Rules of CCASS and CCASS Operational Procedures.

SCOPE:

The CCASS Terminal User Guide - For Designated Banks (The Guide) is written for the designated banks of CCASS participants. These designated banks confirm 'good' payments or reject unpaid payments to HKSCC from participants. The objective of the Guide is to provide instructions for the designated banks to operate the system's functions through a CCASS terminal.

The Guide focuses on CCASS terminal operations. Although an overview on CCASS operations is given in section 2, it is not intended to be comprehensive.

CONTENTS:

The Guide covers CCASS functions, technical requirements and terminal operations related to designated banks. It is divided into two main parts. Part I covers systems related information such as reporting, file transfer, technical requirements, data file format etc. Part II contains CCASS terminal operations such as inputting, authorising and deleting money settlement instructions and/or confirmations. Part II is further divided into 2 sections, representing the 2 money settlement methods currently available through CCASS.

Within each section of part II, the structure is arranged as follows:

- when to use
- available functions
- available function time
- batch processing schedule if applicable
- functional description
- sample screens and description of related fields

This Guide will be subject to further amendments to reflect the continuous expansion of CCASS's services and functionality.

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HOTLINES:

HKSCC supports three hotlines to answer designated banks' enquiries on any matters related to CCASS operations, as follows:

Technical enquiries : CCASS Technical Hotline

Tel. no. : 2211 6606
Service hours : 7:15 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
(except public holiday)

General enquiries : CCASS Hotline

Tel. no. : 2979 7111
Service hours : 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
(except public holiday)

China Connect Hotline

Tel. no. : 2979 7123
Service hours : 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
(except public holiday)