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By Email

To: All Derivatives Market Vendors and End Users (Collectively “Clients”)

Dear Sirs,

HKEx Orion Market Data Platform - Derivatives Market (OMD-D) - Planned Bandwidth Increase for 2016

Our letter of 26 September 2015 (Our Ref: MDD/15/2227) regarding the bandwidth increase of HKEx Orion Market Data Platform – Derivatives Market (OMD-D) planned for 2016 refers please.

Please find below the tentative schedule of the Market Rehearsal (MR) and the Post Release Test.

| Activities | Tentative Date |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Market Rehearsal (<i>Mandatory</i>) | 20 February 2016 |
| Post Release Test | 5 March 2016 |
| Production Release | 7 March 2016 |

Direct connection clients should plan for the completion of all upgrades to your line bandwidths and systems as required before the MR where you are required to demonstrate the capability of your systems of handling the maximum message throughput after the bandwidth increase.

We enclose an OMD-D Bandwidth Readiness Checklist (“Checklist”) which lists out the major actions for clients to get prepared for the MR. A simulation tool with a capacity test is also available to support clients’ in-house testing for their system capability of handling the increased message throughput. Clients who would like to have a copy of the simulation tool please complete the Request Form enclosed and return it to us by 30 November 2015.

In addition, a Practice Session (PS) is arranged for 30 January 2016 where clients can test their systems under the increased message throughput. Direct connection clients are highly recommended to take this opportunity to verify your system capability before joining the MR. The details of the PS and the MR will be provided in due course.

We enclose the updated OMD-D Connectivity Guide (version 1.5) to provide you with the new minimum bandwidth requirement and the update on the use of High Performance Option of SDNet/2 for OMD-D. The changes are highlighted with “[]” on the right margin for your easy reference.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at (852) 2211 6558 or send your questions via email to IVSupport@hkex.com.hk.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl.: 1) OMD-D Bandwidth Readiness Checklist;
2) OMD-D Simulator Tool Request Form; and
3) OMD-D Connectivity Guide (version 1.5)