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Updated Implementation Schedule for the Issuer Information feed Service (“IIS”) Technical Upgrade

With reference to our Client Notice issued on 9 June 2023 (Ref: [MDD/23/260](#)) for the Arrangement for the Issuer Information feed Service (“IIS”) Technical Upgrade, please be informed that the tentative implementation schedule of IIS Technical Upgrade will be changed as follows.

Event	Client Action	Original Schedule	New Schedule
Distribution of new CIS	<p>Clients are <u>required</u> to review the new CIS and make necessary arrangements on the network setup and configuration for connecting to new IIS servers with new IP addresses before joining the mandatory market rehearsal.</p> <p>Upon the launch of IIS Technical Upgrade, during normal (non-failover) scenario, the new IIS server in Secondary (DR) site will also be active and disseminating the same set of data as servers in Primary site. Clients are allowed to connect the IIS server in either Primary site or Secondary site under the same dedicated Vendor identity (i.e. Username), but not concurrently.</p>	August 2023	September 2023
Optional IIS Certification Test	<p>IIS Certification Test environment will be available for Clients, who have IIS testing connections, to reserve for conducting internal testing.</p> <p>Submission of Test Service Application Form would be required to reserve the test environment. Testing fee would not be required.</p>	-	December 2023

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Optional Practice Session ("PS")	<u>Optional, but highly recommended</u> to participate in the PS to ensure the readiness before joining the market rehearsal PS schedule and details will be provided in January 2024.	Late September / October 2023	January / February 2024
Mandatory Market Rehearsal ("MR")	All Clients are <u>required</u> to participate in the MR. MR schedule and details will be provided in January 2024.	October 2023	January / February 2024
Mandatory Post Release Test ("PRT") and Production Rollout	All Clients are <u>required</u> to participate in the PRT. PRT and production rollout schedule will be provided in due course.	November / December 2023	February / March 2024

The scope of technical upgrade remains the same. For the technical upgrade details, please refer to the previous client notice (Ref: [MDD/23/260](#)). Enclosed is the updated IIS Transmission Specification (Version 4.1) with clarifications on the handling of connecting to IIS server at Secondary site. All changes are highlighted with "I" on the left margin in the document for your easy reference.

Clients are suggested to review their applications for the aforementioned changes and make the necessary changes before participating in the mandatory MR in order to verify the changes during the MR.

Should you have any queries, please contact us at (852) 2211 6558 or send your questions to IVSupport@hkex.com.hk.

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Enclosure: IIS Transmission Specification version 4.1