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By Email

To: Direct Connection Securities Market Data Vendors, End Users, Application Service Providers and HKEX Orion Market Data Platform - China Connect (Securities) (OMD-CC) China Connect Exchange Participants (collectively "Clients");

Copy: Indirect Connection Securities Market Data Vendors and End Users;

Launch of HKEX Backbone Network Upgrade for Securities Market Systems - Network Cutover and Post Release Test Arrangements

With reference to our Client Notices issued on 26 February 2026 (Our Ref: [MDD/26/101](#)), 23 March 2026 (Our Ref: [MDD/26/124](#)) and 23 June 2026 (Our Ref: [MDD/26/322](#)) regarding the upgrade of HKEX backbone network for the Securities Market Systems, following the successful completion of a series of mandatory and optional Market Rehearsals ("MRs"), the upgraded backbone network for the Securities Market Systems will be launched.

Given the scale of the upgrade and the systems involved, the network cutover will be implemented in phases to facilitate a smooth transition. Each phase will be launched into production and operated for a period of time before the remaining components are upgraded.

The tentative Post Release Test ("PRT") and implementation schedule are set as below:

Activity	PRT Schedule	Launch Schedule	Participation (Direct Connection OMD-C and OMD-CC Clients)
PRT1	8 August 2026 (Saturday)	10 August 2026 (Monday)	Mandatory
PRT2	22 August 2026 (Saturday)	24 August 2026 (Monday)	Mandatory
PRT3	5 September 2026 (Saturday)	7 September 2026 (Monday)	Optional

Clients who need to update their registered test contact information previously provided for the MRs are requested to complete the [Online Test Participation Form](#) **on or before 31 July 2026 (Friday)**. Otherwise, the previously provided test contact information will be used for the PRTs.

The test rundown of PRTs will be provided to the registered test contacts one week before the PRT day.

Please refer to the enclosed Exchange Circular (Ref: [CT/107/26](#)) for details of the upgrade of backbone network for OTP-C, OTP-CSC and the Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) channel of Electronic Communication Platform (ECP).

The Exchange would like to thank all Clients for their continued support and cooperation in the HKEX Backbone Network Upgrade and look forward to its smooth implementation.

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: Exchange Circular (English)