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THE STOCK EXCHANGE OF HONG KONG LIMITED
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通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: **Discontinuation of Displaying Certain Types of Free-Text of Stock**

Enquiry: **Participant General Enquiry Hotline[1] (Tel : 2840 3626 E-mail : trd@hkex.com.hk)**

Exchange Participants (EPs) are requested to note that with effect from 1 April 2022 tentatively, certain types of information ("Relevant Information") currently disseminating through HKEX Orion Market Data Platform – Securities Market (OMD-C) under "FreeText" field of stock ("Free-Text") will be discontinued, since more comprehensive information are currently available on HKEX websites (https://www.hkex.com.hk/ or https://www.hkexnews.hk/). The discontinuation should have no functional nor interface impact to EPs' systems. Information Vendors may refer to Market Data Client Notice for corresponding arrangement.

The Relevant Information would be available continuously on the multiple alternative sources on HKEX websites (see the table below). A list of the Relevant Information to be discontinued is summarized in Attachment 1.

Alternative Sources	Destination on HKEX websites
Corporate Action history of individual stock	HKEX/ Stock Quote Lookup (under Entitlement) • https://www.hkex.com.hk/Market-Data/Securities-Prices/Equities/Equities-Quote?sc_lang=en
Board Meeting Notification Table (BMN)	HKEXnews/ Exchange Reports/ Board Meeting Notifications • https://www.hkexnews.hk/reports/bmn/ebmn.htm • https://www.hkgem.com//prices/diaries/diaries2/ebmngem.htm
Dividends & Other Entitlements Table (ENT)	HKEXnews/ Exchange Reports/ Dividends and Other Entitlements • https://www.hkexnews.hk/reports/doe/eent.htm • https://www2.hkexnews.hk/Exchange-Reports/Dividends-and-Other-Entitlements/GEM?sc_lang=en

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

Trading Arrangement Table (TAT)	HKEX/ Our Services/ Trading/ Securities/ Trading News/ Trading Arrangement Table (TAT) • https://www.hkex.com.hk/eng/market/sec_tradinfo/tradarng/etat.htm • https://www.hkgem.com/prices/diaries/diaries1/etatgem.htm
Issuer Announcements and Circulars	HKEXnews • https://www1.hkexnews.hk/listedco/listconews/index/lci.html?lang=en

Effective from the same date of discontinuation, the Alternative Sources (including the BMN, ENT and TAT) will also be available in the form of CSV files in addition to the existing webpage format. This feature is expected to be useful to EPs and market participants that wish to process the information for further usage.

For the avoidance of doubt, the certain information in Free-Text will continue to be provided to market participants is listed in Attachment 2. Market participants are reminded to read the issuer's announcements and circulars in full for complete information.

Information Vendors receives data from OMD-C may or may not be redistributing Free-Text information. EPs are reminded to consult their Information Vendors, if applicable, on any impact of above mentioned changes in OMD-C data.

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