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**HKEX INFORMATION SERVICES (CHINA) LIMITED**
(A wholly-owned subsidiary of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited)

27 February 2024                                                                         **By Email**
Our Ref: MDD/24/146_C

**To:**    **Direct Connection 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 Market Data Vendors and End Users**

**Post Release Tests and Rollout for Upgrade of SDNET/2 WAN Gateways**

With reference to our Client Notices issued on 18 December 2023 (Our Ref: MDD/23/1677_C) and 15 January 2024 (Our Ref: MDD/24/044_C), following the successful completion of the two Practice Sessions on 17 and 24 February 2024, the upgrade of Securities and Derivatives Network ("SDNET/2") WAN Gateways as initiated by HKEX's Accredited Vendors ("Upgrade") will be rolled out in production by two phases. To ensure a smooth rollout, two **optional Post Release Tests (PRTs) will be arranged on 2 March 2024 (Saturday) and 9 March 2024 (Saturday).** Clients who have connectivity to HKEX systems via SDNet/2 are highly recommended to participate in the PRTs to verify their connectivity readiness to HKEX after the Upgrade.

| Activity | Schedule | Testing Focus |
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| **Optional** PRT1 | 2 March 2024 (Saturday)<br><br>13:00 – 15:00 (OMD-C, OMD-CC and IIS)<br><br>15:00 – 17:00 (OMD-D) | The Primary WAN Gateways will be upgraded with new models while the Secondary WAN Gateways remain unchanged.<br><br>The test is to verify Clients' SDNet/2 connections to all market data systems operating in HKEX Primary Site. |
| **Optional** PRT2 | 9 March 2024 (Saturday)<br><br>13:00 – 16:10 (OMD-C, OMD-CC and IIS)<br><br>15:00 – 17:00 (OMD-D) | The Secondary WAN Gateways will be upgraded with new models.<br><br>The test is to verify Client's SDNet/2 connections to all market data systems operating in HKEX Primary Site after the production launch of all WAN Gateways. |

Clients who decide to participate in the underlined optional PRTs are required to enroll in the Online Registration Form **by 29 February 2024 (Thursday)**. Test rundown of the PRT1 is enclosed for your reference. Test rundown of the PRT2 will be provided to enrolled clients separately.

Direct Connection Clients of Mainland Market Data Hub ("MMDH") should be noted that MMDH is not in the scope for this Upgrade and is therefore not necessary to participate in the PRTs.

For arrangements related to Exchange Participants (EPs), China Connect Exchange Participants (CCEPs) and non-EP Relevant Regulated Intermediaries (non-EP RRIs), please refer to the enclosed Exchange Circulars (Ref: OPS/CS/002/24 and MO/DT/041/24) for details.

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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Enclosures:    1) Test rundown of the Post Release Test 1
                       2) Exchange Circulars (English)