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To: 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"); Independent Software Vendors (ISVs)

## Arrangement of Market Data Systems for Severe Weather Trading

With reference to the <u>Consultation Conclusion</u> of Severe Weather Trading ("SWT") of Hong Kong Securities and Derivatives Market dated 18 June 2024, SWT will be implemented on <u>23 September</u> <u>2024 (Monday)</u>, subject to regulatory approval.

Upon the implementation of SWT, trading of securities and stock options traded or listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, including Northbound and Southbound Trading under Stock Connect, and trading of derivatives contracts traded in Hong Kong Futures Exchange will remain available during severe weather ("SW") conditions<sup>1</sup> ("SW Day")<sup>2</sup>.

There will be no system changes in all market data systems<sup>3</sup> in relation to the launch of SWT, and all market data systems will be operating as usual as regular trading day during SW conditions.

To facilitate Clients and ISVs to practice and verify their system and operational flow for SWT, the following sessions will be provided:

 End-to-End ("E2E") Test Session and HKATS Testing Environment: An optional and free-of-charge E2E Test Session and HKATS Testing Environment will be arranged from 16 July 2024 (Tuesday) to 23 August 2024 (Friday), except the public holidays and testing host maintenance days. OMD-C and OMD-D will be operating in E2E Test Session and HKATS Testing Environment respectively and test booking for OMD-C and OMD-D are not required during the aforementioned period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Including Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above or the Black Rainstorm Warning issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, or "Extreme Conditions" announcement by the HKSAR Government

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> With reference to international standards and practices on the operation of the securities and derivatives markets, HKEX will assess specific circumstances in consultation with the HKSAR Government and the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC") to decide whether there is an exceptional situation that warrants the markets to remain closed. HKEX will make relevant announcements as required, to provide the market with advanced notice and updates

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Market Data Systems include (1) HKEX Orion Market Data Platform - Securities Market (OMD-C), (2) HKEX Orion Market Data Platform - Derivatives Market (OMD-D), (3) HKEX Orion Market Data Platform - China Connect (OMD-CC), (4) Mainland Market Data Hub (MMDH) and (5) Issuer Information feed System (IIS)

2. **Optional Practice Session ("PS"):** An optional PS will be held on 24 August 2024 (Saturday). To confirm your participation in the optional PS, please complete the <u>Online Test Participation Form</u> on or before 16 August 2024 (Friday). Test details will be provided to participating clients in due course.

Further information on SWT, including a frequently asked questions section, is now available at the <u>web corner</u>. For the details of the trading arrangement in Hong Kong Securities and Derivatives Market, please refer to the enclosed Exchange Circulars.

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 Circulars (English)