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ELECTION OF LANGUAGES AND MEANS OF RECEIVING CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

HKEx is implementing new arrangements to ascertain Shareholders' preference in receiving future Corporate Communications (i) in printed form (in English and/or Chinese) or (ii) through the HKEx website.

INTRODUCTION

Printed Corporate Communications (in English and/or Chinese) are currently sent to Shareholders unless prior confirmations in writing on accessing the Corporate Communications posted on the HKEx website by electronic means have been received from Shareholders.

Pursuant to the Companies (Amendment) Ordinance 2010, Listing Rules and revised Articles of Association approved by Shareholders at the annual general meeting held in April 2011, HKEx is permitted to supply the Corporate Communications to Shareholders by electronic means or by posting them on the HKEx website if Shareholders agree or are deemed to agree to this form of communication, provided that certain conditions are satisfied.

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NEW ARRANGEMENTS

1. HKEx will send a letter setting out the detailed arrangements ("Information Letter") together with a reply form ("Reply Form") to Shareholders to solicit their choice of either: (i) receiving the Corporate Communications in printed form, in English or in Chinese or in both languages ("Printed Version"); or (ii) accessing the Corporate Communications through the HKEx website ("Electronic Version") instead of receiving the Printed Version. The Information Letter and the Reply Form will not be sent to those Shareholders who are currently receiving the Electronic Version.

If a Shareholder's duly completed and signed Reply Form is not received by HKEx on or before 8 August 2011, such Shareholder will be deemed to have elected the Electronic Version instead of the Printed Version.

2. For those Shareholders who have elected (or are deemed to have elected) the Electronic Version, HKEx will, on the same day when the Printed Version is mailed, notify the relevant Shareholders of the publication of such Corporate Communication on the HKEx website (i) by email to the address provided in the Reply Form, or (ii) if no e-mail address is provided, by a letter of notification to be mailed to such Shareholder's address as appearing in HKEx's register of members.

The notification will provide the information on where to access the relevant Corporate Communication posted on the HKEx website. If, for any reason, a Shareholder who has elected (or is deemed to have elected) the Electronic Version has difficulty in accessing the Corporate Communication electronically, or wish to receive printed copies, HKEx will, upon request, send the Printed Version to the Shareholder free of charge.

- 3. For those Shareholders who have elected the Printed Version, HKEx will send the Corporate Communication in the selected language(s) to them. Shareholders may request for the Corporate Communication in the language other than the one that they have opted for free of charge.
- 4. For future Shareholders, they will, for the first time, receive a printed copy of the Corporate Communication in both English and Chinese together with the Information Letter and the Reply Form for them to confirm the future channel of communication with HKEx.
- 5. Shareholders can at any time by giving at least a 7-day notice in writing to HKEx or the Share Registrar or by email to <u>hkex.ecom@computershare.com.hk</u> to change their choice of communication channel or language(s).
- 6. All Corporate Communications in both English and Chinese are available on the HKEx website and the HKExnews website at <u>www.hkexnews.hk</u>.
- 7. HKEx is providing a hotline service (Tel: (852) 2862 8688) during business hours (9:00 am to 6:00 pm, Monday to Friday, excluding Hong Kong public holidays) to enable Shareholders to enquire about the above arrangements.
- 8. Investors who are interested in receiving information about HKEx may register at the Investment Service Centre on the HKEx website, and upon successful registration, will receive alerts when HKEx published the Corporate Communications on the HKEx website.

DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, the following expressions have the meanings set out below unless the context requires otherwise:

"Articles of Association"	the articles of association of HKEx as from time to time altered in accordance with the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32);
"Companies (Amendment) Ordinance 2010"	an Ordinance (no.12 of 2010) to amend the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32);
"Corporate Communication(s)"	any document(s) issued or to be issued by HKEx for the information or action of the Shareholders as defined in Rule 1.01 of the Listing Rules;

"HKEx"	Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;
"HKEx website"	www.hkex.com.hk;
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;
"Shareholder(s)"	registered holder(s) of share(s) in the issued share capital of HKEx; and
"Share Registrar"	Hong Kong Registrars Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

By Order of the Board Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited Joseph Mau Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 8 July 2011

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of HKEx comprises 12 Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr Ronald Joseph ARCULLI (Chairman), Mrs CHA May-Lung, Laura, Mr CHAN Tze Ching, Ignatius, Dr CHENG Mo Chi, Moses, Mr John Barrie HARRISON, Mr HUI Chiu Chung, Stephen, Dr KWOK Chi Piu, Bill, Mr LEE Kwan Ho, Vincent Marshall, Mr LEE Tze Hau, Michael, Mr John Estmond STRICKLAND, Mr John Mackay McCulloch WILLIAMSON and Mr WONG Sai Hung, Oscar, and one Executive Director, Mr LI Xiaojia, Charles, who is also the Chief Executive of HKEx.