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## To Shareholders of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ("HKEx")

Dear Sir or Madam

#### 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF HKEx

Please note that according to the circular to shareholders of HKEx dated 18 March 2010, all resolutions to be dealt with at the forthcoming annual general meeting of HKEx to be held at 4:30 pm on Thursday, 22 April 2010 at the Exchange Auditorium in the Exchange Exhibition Hall of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("AGM") will be decided by poll. We, the registrar of HKEx, write to inform all shareholders about matters of poll voting.

The poll voting slip will be distributed to shareholders or their proxies or authorised representatives upon registration of attendance. Before filling in the poll voting slip, you are advised to check and ensure that the name and the shareholding shown on the poll voting slip are correct. Should there be any discrepancies, please notify the staff at the venue immediately.

A sample poll voting slip to be used at the AGM is enclosed for your information. Shareholders are advised to read through the enclosed poll voting slip, in particular, the completion guidelines and validation rules thereon, before attending the AGM.

<u>Please note that if you are a non-registered shareholder (ie, your shares in HKEx are held through an intermediary (for example, a bank, a custodian or a securities broker) or registered in the name of your nominee), you have to give instruction to your intermediary/nominee to vote on your behalf. If you wish to attend and vote at the AGM, you should seek an authorisation from your intermediary/nominee directly.</u>

Yours faithfully

Hong Kong Registrars Limited Registrar of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited

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#### SAMPLE POLL VOTING SLIP

The following is the sample poll voting slip to be used at the Annual General Meeting:

# (ATTENTION: THIS SAMPLE VOTING SLIP IS FOR REFERENCE ONLY. PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS SAMPLE.)

	HONG KONG EXCHANGES AND CLEARING LIMI		V
	Annual General Meeting ("AGM") held on 22 Ap POLL VOTING SLIP	ril 2010	
	FOLL VOTING SEIF		
Name	of shareholder:		
	of proxy / corporate representative:		
Numbe	er of shares held by shareholder / Number of shares can be voted by pr	-	
		NUMBER OF VOTES (note 1)	
	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
1	To receive the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2009 together with the Reports of the Directors and Auditor thereon		
2	To declare a final dividend of HK\$2.09 per share		
3(a)	To elect Mr John Estmond STRICKLAND as Director		
3(b)	To elect Mr WONG Sai Hung, Oscar as Director		
4	To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as auditor of HKEx and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration		
5	To grant a general mandate to the Directors to repurchase shares of HKEx, not exceeding 10% of the issued share capital of HKEx as at the date of this Resolution		
6(a)	To approve the remuneration of HK\$500,000 and HK\$350,000 per annum be payable to the Chairman and each of the other non-executive Directors respectively		
6(b)	To approve, in addition to the remuneration of HK\$50,000 per annum, an attendance fee of HK\$2,500 per meeting be payable to the chairman and every member (excluding executive Director) of certain Board committees		
7	To approve the amendments to the Articles of Association		
USU	AL SIGNATURE (note 2)		

# COMPLETION GUIDELINES AND VALIDATION RULES

## Notes:

- 1. (a) A shareholder present in person or by proxy has one vote for every share he/she holds.
  - (b) A shareholder who is entitled to more than one vote does not have to use all his/her votes, or to cast all his/her votes in the same way.
  - (c) If a shareholder only indicates his/her intention to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" a resolution by marking a tick (✓) without writing the number of votes being cast in the relevant box, he/she will be deemed to have used all the votes he/she is entitled to cast.

## Example of valid votes

	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
3(a)	To elect [candidate] as Director	✓	

OR

	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
3(a)	To elect [candidate] as Director		$\checkmark$

(d) If a shareholder wishes to use less than all his/her votes, or to cast some of his/her votes "FOR" and some of his/her votes "AGAINST" a particular resolution, he/she must write the number of votes in the relevant box(es).

## **Example of valid votes**

Suppose the shareholder has a registered shareholding of 8,000 shares in the company:

	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
3(a)	To elect [candidate] as Director	6,800	
3(b)	To elect [candidate] as Director		1,000

OR

	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
3(a)	To elect [candidate] as Director	6,000	2,000

(e) If the total number of votes "FOR" **and** "AGAINST" the same resolution exceeds the total number of votes which a shareholder may cast on that one resolution, his/her votes on that resolution will be **void** and will **not** be counted.

## **Example of void votes**

Suppose the shareholder has a registered shareholding of 8,000 shares in the company:

	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
3(a)	To elect [candidate] as Director	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
3(b)	To elect [candidate] as Director	8,000	8,000
4	To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as	4,000	5,000
	auditor of HKEx and		

- (f) If the number of votes "FOR" <u>or</u> "AGAINST" one resolution exceeds the total number of votes which a shareholder may cast on that one resolution, he/she will be deemed to have used all the votes he/she is entitled to cast.
- (g) If a shareholder does <u>not</u> initial against any alteration he/she makes on the number of votes he/she may cast on a resolution, his/her votes on that resolution will be <u>void</u> and will <u>not</u> be counted.
- 2. (a) If there is **no signature** on a poll voting slip, the votes on all resolutions on that poll voting slip will be **void** and will **not** be counted.
  - (b) In the case of joint registered holders of any shares, any one of such persons may vote at the meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such shares as if he/she were solely entitled thereto; but if more than one of such joint holders are present at the meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register of members in respect of such shares shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.
- 3. HKEx reserves the right to treat a poll voting slip which has been incorrectly completed in some manner which (at its absolute discretion) is not material as being valid.
- 4. There will be 2 vacancies to be filled at the AGM following the retirement of Messrs John E Strickland and Oscar S H Wong. In the case if there are more than 2 candidates standing for election, then in order to determine who shall be elected, the resolutions themselves will contain a method of determining support for a candidate. Each resolution for the appointment of Director to be proposed at the AGM will provide as follows:

"THAT subject to the number of net votes cast in relation to this resolution (net votes being votes cast in favour minus votes cast against this resolution) being among the 2 highest number of net votes cast on each of the resolutions for the appointment of a person as a director of the Company at the annual general meeting to be held on 22 April 2010 or on the date of its adjournment (where applicable) (the "2010 AGM"), [name of candidate] be and is hereby appointed as a director of the Company with effect from the conclusion of the 2010 AGM for a term of approximately 3 years expiring at the conclusion of the Company's annual general meeting to be held in 2013, provided that if any 2 or more of such resolutions record the same number of net votes (the "Tied Resolutions"), the ranking of the Tied Resolutions from highest to lowest number of net votes shall be determined by the drawing of lots by the chairman of the meeting."