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The Company Secretary [Listed Issuers]

By e-mail

Dear Sirs.

EXPANSION OF CRITERIA FOR CLASSIFICATION INTO THE TECHNOLOGY SECTOR

We refer to the above matter.

Under Practice Note No. 7/2001 (PN 7) on Classification of Applicants or Listed Issuers, the Exchange has prescribed a certain set of criteria that must be fulfilled by an applicant or listed issuer in order to qualify for a classification into the Technology Sector.

One of the said criteria is for the core business of the applicant or listed issuer concerned to be of a type readily recognisable as being involved in technological innovation. In this regard, the Exchange has thus far identified the following as falling within such category:

- computer hardware and software;
- electronics; or
- telecommunications.

Paragraph 5.1(a) of PN 7 further provides that the Exchange may, from time to time, expand the category of core businesses which can be considered for classification into the Technology Sector.

Please be notified that pursuant to the said paragraph, the Exchange has expanded the list of core businesses referred to above to include bio-technology, with immediate effect.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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Chief Legal Officer