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TDCC to Launch an e-Voting Platform

Further to our previous newsflash, the Taiwan Depository Clearing Corporation (TDCC) plans to launch the e-voting platform on 1 March 2009. The platform will operate under the following guidelines:

- Shareholders can exercise their voting rights via the on-line platform. Whether foreign investors will also be able to vote via the platform will be further clarified.
- Shareholders, custodians, securities trusts, trust companies, and issuing company can securely access the platform with electronic authentication devices.
- The voting records will be kept for at least 1 year. If the issuing company is involved with a legal claim related to voting, the voting records will be kept until termination of the case.
- The issuing company is required to enter into a contract with TDCC in order to authorize the TDCC to handle voting related matters, and register with and pay a fee to TDCC for each meeting. The institutions such as custodians, securities trusts, and trust companies, which act on behalf or represent shareholders in voting, are required to apply with TDCC in order to vote through the platform.
- The exercise of votes via the platform is equivalent to physical participation of the meeting by the shareholders. However, for items such as any ex-temporary motions or amendments to original agendas which are usually raised at the physical meeting, shareholders' votes on these items through the platform will be counted as abstentions.
- Shareholders who wish to physically attend the shareholders' meeting despite already casting its votes via the platform, should cancel the electronic vote via the platform no later than 1 day before the meeting.
- Institutions such as custodians, securities trusts, trust companies, can check the details of votes cast by itself since voting start day, up to 30 days after the meeting day. The record of participation and voting will be available for download within 30 days from the meeting day.

CSD Risk Impact

TDCC (Taiwan)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: Positive

Impacted Risk Type: Asset Servicing Risk

Current Rating = N/R

Flash Impact = Positive

The implementation of the e-voting platform should provide an efficient lower risk process for shareholders to vote. Therefore, the impact is positive for Asset Servicing risk.

Market Information Impact

Taiwan

This information affects the data contained in the Proxy Voting/Corporate Governance sections of the Securities Market Information Service.

Infrastructure Risk Ratings Impact

Taiwan

Market Rating: A+

Market Flash Impact: Positive

Impacted Risk Type: Asset Servicing Risk

Current Rating = A+

Flash Impact = Positive

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