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EQUITIES TRADING NOTICE

Introduction of Four Character Root Symbols

At the request of our Listed Issuers, TMX is pleased to introduce the near term availability of root symbols comprised of up to four characters for Toronto Stock Exchange and TSX Venture Exchange listed securities. This will include the full universe of Corporates as well as Exchange Traded Funds.

Over the past year, TMX has consulted with trading participants, access and market data vendors, the Canadian Depository for Securities and other Canadian stock exchanges in order to implement a uniform system and come to a collective agreement with respect to supporting an expanded number of root symbol characters.

In an effort to minimize the impact on all downstream systems, we will maintain a maximum of eight characters as indicated in our specifications.

SYMBOL	ACCEPTED
ABC.PR.A	YES
ABCD.PR.A	NO

We expect to begin supporting four character root symbols in **Q4 2016**. Details specific to the implementation and test schedule will be provided in a subsequent notice.

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