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**MARKET NOTICE**Johannesburg  
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[www.jse.co.za](http://www.jse.co.za)**Number:** 596A/2016**Relates to:**  
 Equity Market  
 Equity Derivatives  
 Commodity Derivatives  
 Interest Rate and Currency Derivatives**Date:** 28 October 2016**SUBJECT:** APPROVED AMENDMENTS TO THE DERIVATIVES RULES – REGISTERED OFFICERS**Name and Surname:** Shaun Davies**Designation:** Director: Market Regulation

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Members are referred to Market Notice 380/2016 dated 11 July 2016, which contained proposed amendments to the derivatives rules that relate to the process undertaken for the approval by the JSE of the traders and registered officers of members.

The Registrar of Securities Services has, in terms of section 71(3)(c) of the Financial Markets Act, approved the amendments to the derivatives rules with effect from 24 October 2016.

The purpose of the amendments is to harmonise the process for the registration of traders and officers across the markets and in so doing align the derivatives market with the principles already in place in the equities market. In order to achieve this, we have adopted the terminology used in the equities rules and have replaced the appropriate references to 'dealer' with that of 'trader'. The approved amendments will streamline and shorten the JSE registration process and members that are active in more than one market will benefit from a single consistent approach in respect of the registration of their officers and traders across all markets.

The JSE Executive will no longer accept or reject applications for the registration of traders and officers in the derivatives market and nor will such an application require the issuance of a market notice that gives members a period of ten days for the submission of objections or comments in respect of the person to be registered. Instead an internal JSE committee comprised of representatives of the Capital Markets Division, the Market Regulation Division and the Client Data team will collectively consider the application for



registration and assess inter alia the assurance provided by the member that the applicant complies with the fit and proper requirements as expressed in the general requirements of membership in the rules and their having obtained a pass in the relevant qualifications as prescribed in the directives. Applications for the temporary registration of a registered officer and to change the registration of a registered officer from one member to another will no longer be permitted. Registered officers will need to comply with the requirements for registration at the time that the application for their registration is made and in the event that a registered officer moves from one member to another, their former employer will need to terminate their registration and a new application for registration will need to be submitted by their new employer. The reason for this being that the registered officer is employed by or under the control of the member that has registered them and as such, the member must, prior to their employment and the subsequent submission to the JSE of an application to register them as an officer, satisfy themselves that the person in question complies with the fit and proper requirements and qualifications as set out in the derivatives rules and directives respectively.

We attach hereto the following documents:

- Board Notice 169 of 2016 containing the Registrar's approval.
- The approved amendments to the JSE derivatives rules.

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