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UPDATE ON MARKET CONSULTATION ON THE TREATMENT OF GREECE IN THE STOXX INDICES

ZURICH (Aug. 6, 2015) - - STOXX Limited, a leading provider of innovative, tradable and global index concepts, today publishes an update on the market consultation regarding the treatment of Greece in the STOXX Indices, which took place from Jul. 15 - 22, 2015.

Following the re-opening of the Athens Stock Exchange on Aug. 3, 2015, STOXX no longer considers the current situation exceptional according to section 8.7 of the calculation guide. The regular index rules hence apply again to Greek securities in the STOXX indices.

In addition, STOXX has concluded its market consultation on the treatment of stocks in the STOXX indices in the case of an extended closure of a market. The results and potential ensuing changes to the rulebooks will be discussed with the STOXX Advisory Board at its next regular meeting in the fall of 2015, and published accordingly. Client feedback clearly indicated that special provisions for market closures need to be introduced going forward. Securities may remain in the indices as long as feasible but may have to be removed prior to settlement events such as the settlement of derivatives contracts. In case such a removal is necessary, a strong preference to exclude index components using other sufficiently liquid price sources (e.g. ADRs, OTC markets) has been expressed. In case such sources would not exist or would not be deemed sufficiently liquid, a price of zero could be used. STOXX and the STOXX Advisory Board will consider these recommendations carefully when determining potential changes to the rulebooks.

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