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To
all Financial Institutes

via e-mail

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

beginning Monday, July 30, 2007, XONTRO will be capable to correctly process instrument mnemonics beginning with a numeric character (i.e. "1ABC"), too. Again, we kindly apologize for the restricted service levels having been encountered along with the usage of the mnemonics during the past three weeks.

As of October 22, 2007, some modifications with regard to the contract notes data carrier (format MT512/MT599) will be introduced to the production environment. These modifications are caused by the extension of the "contraction time" / "trade time" format to 8 digits, as well as by those changes having been demanded by the "Change in Pricing Scheme for Floor Trading" at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (FWB) by Deutsche Börse AG, to be implemented as of November 1, 2007 (cf. also our XONTRO Newsletter for Financial Institutes No. 30, dated Juli 9, 2007, resp. the corresponding Deutsche Börse AG Floor Trading Circular No. 11/07, dated July 6, 2007). The newest version of the contract notes data carrier description (Version 19.9) may be retrieved by simply clicking onto the footnote (1) below; the .pdf type document will then be downloaded onto your site. Alternatively, the description is also available for inspection or download from our Web Site www.xontro.de. The changes will be available to the public on our test and simulation environment (IMS27) for testing purposes as of September 3, 2007.

In November 2007, a test will be conducted in order to simulate the newly introduced settlement dates December 24 and December 31. During this test, the "business date" will be manipulated within our test system IMS27 as follows:
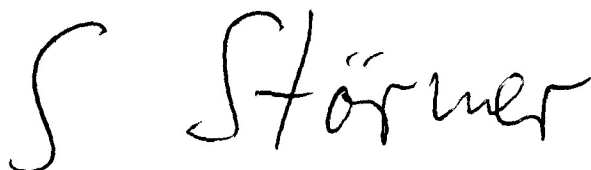
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[1] http://www.xontro.de/fileadmin/media/documents/KI_Dokumentation_SAKI/SWIFT_DT_R199_20070714_20071022-E.pdf

Real calendar dates in November 2007		Business dates in IMS27
Monday	November 12, 2007	December 19, 2007
Tuesday	November 13, 2007	December 20, 2007
Wednesday	November 14, 2007	December 21, 2007
Thursday	November 15, 2007	December 24, 2007
Friday	November 16, 2007	December 27, 2007
Saturday	November 17, 2007	
Sunday	November 18, 2007	
Monday	November 19, 2007	December 28, 2007
Tuesday	November 20, 2007	December 31, 2007
Wednesday	November 21, 2007	January 02, 2008
Thursday	November 22, 2007	January 03, 2008
Friday	November 23, 2007	January 04, 2008

From a XONTRO viewpoint, banks may also participate within the testing pro-
cedures during this period, as long as the bank internal systems are capable to
deal with the modified business dates.

In case of queries we are ready to be contacted via the telephone extension
listed above, or via our collective e-mail address trade@xontro.de .

Yours faithfully

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