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FTSE RUSSELL INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION BENCHMARK (ICB) CHANGES – URGENT ALERT ABOUT SN/SNE DATA RECORD PROVISION ON FRIDAY - 19 MARCH 2021

We want to draw your attention to the below details as you are an affected subscriber. We apologise for the late notice but this impact has only been identified in this week as the deployment plan for this very complex implementation was being firmed up.

While the majority of the ICB changes will be implemented after the market data products are produced on Friday night and be effective for Tuesday, 23 March 2021, there will be some changes that will already need to be done on Friday night and have an earlier effect.

Some of the changes will trigger the production of the SN/SNE data record which is only produced on an adhoc basis when there are structural sector changes, and it has not been provided for a number of years.

This data record provides basic information, specific to each sector of shares traded on the market and the codes used to identify the sectors and other relevant information related to the sectors is included. When these records are produced, a SNE record is made available in the early EE.Zip file and a SN copy is made available in the late E.Zip file.

On the basis that the changes will lead to these records incorporating the ICB changes, and which includes the sector field widths increasing to eight bytes, we have decided to exclude these two records from the non-ICB impacted records. So, they will not come through in the E.Zip and EE.Zip files tonight but will instead be provided in separate files in your folder with the following names

- SNE = RecordType_SNE_20210319.txt
- SN = RecordType_SN_20210319.txt

If you have any questions or concerns, please send an email to: mdproducts@jse.co.za

Market / Service:

• Equity Market End of Day Data Products

Environment:

Production

Additional Information:

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