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# EXTENSION OF TESTING PERIOD FOR FIELD WIDTH CHANGES TO INDICES AND EQUITIES DATA RECORDS ANNOUNCED

The JSE notified customers on 4 March 2016 (Reference Number: 31/2016) about the implementation date for the fields width changes that were planned to become effective on Monday, 20 June 2016.

In responding to customer requests and concerns for more testing time and additional test data, the JSE has decided to extend the testing period. The JSE is very considerate of the high effort and complexity to make and test the necessary changes, and that customers will be at risk if they cannot do enough comprehensive testing before the implementation date.

On this basis, the previously communicated <u>implementation date of 20 June 2016</u> <u>is thus postponed to a later date</u> which will be communicated as soon as it has been decided. The JSE is appreciative of the development and testing work already done by customers still valid as the changes are necessary and will still be implemented.

In anticipation of the extended testing period, and in the interest of making the transition as painless as possible for customers, the JSE invites customers to send through suggestions as to how the JSE can further make the development, testing and implementation easier.

But note, if sending suggestions, that the JSE is unfortunately not able to, due to technical challenges, run the new and current data record production code in parallel for a period before the implementation date.

Please send suggestions to <a href="mailto:mdprojects@jse.co.za">mdprojects@jse.co.za</a> by no later than end of day **Friday, 6 May 2016.** 

The JSE apologizes for the impact to your operations as well as the inconvenience caused by the testing extension but this decision has been taken with customer's best interests in mind.

## Market / Service:

JSE End of Day Indices Data Service JSE End of Day Equities Data Service

## **Environment(s):**

Production

#### **Additional Information:**

If you have any queries about this announcement, please contact Client Services Centre on +27 11 520 7777 or <a href="mailto:customersupport@jse.co.za">customersupport@jse.co.za</a>

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