(Reference Translation)





December 14, 2016 Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. Nikkei, Inc.

Start of Calculation and Publication of New Index "JPX-Nikkei Mid and Small Cap Index"

As announced on October 27, Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. ("TSE") and Nikkei Inc. ("Nikkei") are proceeding with the joint-development of a new index. Details regarding the index have been determined as below, and the index will start to be calculated from the next March.

1. Main Points of Index

(For details on constituent selection, calculation, etc., please refer to the JPX-Nikkei Mid and Small Cap Index Guidebook.)

Name	JPX-Nikkei Mid and Small Cap Index Abbrev.: JPX-Nikkei Mid Small
No. of Constituents	200 issues
Eligible Issues	Common stocks whose main market is the TSE 1st Section, 2nd Section, Mothers, or JASDAQ market
Constituent Selection/Review Method	 Constituent selection and review will be conducted as follows. [Selection Criteria] Constituents are selected according to the following process and criteria. (1) Screening ① Screening by Eligibility Criteria Issues are excluded from selection if they fall under any of the following criteria. Listed for under 3 years (excluding technical listings) Liabilities in excess of assets during any of the past 3 fiscal years Operating deficit in all of the past 3 fiscal years Overall deficit in all of the past 3 fiscal years Designation as Security to be Delisted, etc.

	② Removal of large cap issues
	Issues constituting the top 20% of market capitalization on the base date shall be
	removed from $①$ above.
	Notwithstanding the foregoing, those in the top 18% that are issues eligible as
	constituents of JPX-Nikkei Mid and Small Cap Index on the base date shall be
	removed.
	③ Screening by Market Liquidity Indicator
	The issue under the 10 billion yen of the market capitalization on the base date and
	under 15 billion yen of trading value in the one year since the base date shall be
	removed from 2 above.
	If the number of eligible stocks is fewer than 500 after above procedure, the market
	capitalization and trading value criteria are lowered by one billion respectively until
	the number of eligible stock is over 500.
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	(2) Scoring based on Quantitative Indicators
Constituent	Each ranking score shall be given to the issues in (1) above according to the following
Selection/Review	items and overall score is calculated.
Method	• 3-year average ROE: 70%
	• 3-year cumulative operating profit: 30%
	(3) Scoring based on Qualitative Factors
	Following the scoring in (2), issues will be further scored based on the following 3 items.
	The score is determined so that at most around 10 constituents are different from those
	chosen with only quantitative score above (2).
	Appointment of Independent Outside Directors (at least 2)
	Adoption or Scheduled Adoption of IFRS
	• Disclosure of English Earnings Information via TDnet (Company Announcements
	Distribution Service in English)
	(4) Determination of Constituents
	Following scoring in (3), the constituents of JPX-Nikkei Mid and Small Cap Index on the
Constituent	base date shall continue to be selected if they are ranked in the top 250. If the number of
Selection/Review	selected stocks falls below 200 as a result of the selection procedures indicated above, 200
Method	issues will be selected in descending order of high scores as constituents.

	[Constituent Review]
	Results of the constituent review become effective on the last business day of August each
	year with the last business day of June as the base date for selection.
Calculation Method	Free-float adjusted market capitalization-weighted (with 1.5% cap)
Start of Calculation	March 13, 2017 (Mon.)
	Real-time dissemination (per 1 sec.) of the index via Tokyo Stock Exchange's Market
	Information System
Base Date/Value for	August 31, 2016 (Wed.)/ 10,000 points
Index Calculation	

2. Index Constituents

The constituents when calculation begins (i.e. the selected issues for FY2016) will be as indicated on Annex 1.

3. Use of the Index

A licensing agreement with the TSE and Nikkei is required for usage of the index in the creation and sales of financial products and provision of the index to third parties.

Contact for queries regarding acquisition on index values and licensing agreements: Tokyo Stock Exchange Information Services Department <u>index-license@jpx.co.jp</u>

4. Reference Information

For relevant data, etc., please refer to Annex 2.

[Queries]

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