Treatment on the year-end dividend paid by Olympus

Olympus Corp. (7733), a constituent company of the Nikkei Stock Average (Nikkei 225), decided to postpone the general meeting of shareholders and established May 31 as the new record date of year-end dividend payment, instead of March 31, as formerly announced.

Although the Nikkei 225 Total Return Index (Nikkei 225 TR, including Net version) and the Nikkei Stock Average Estimated Dividend Point Index (Nikkei 225 EDP) had reflected the estimation of the year-end dividend of 10 yen per share on March 30 (initial ex-dividend date), Nikkei Inc. will cancel this ex-dividend in the index calculation once.

Accordingly, on May 18, Nikkei will treat the year-end dividend of the record date of March 31 as 0 (Zero) yen, and this adjustment will be reflected in the calculation of the indices on May 19. The ex-dividend belonging to the record date of May 31 will be reflected on May 28 (new ex-dividend date), based on the estimated dividend at the time. This estimated dividend will be fixed at the annual regular shareholders meeting scheduled in late July and will be reflected to the indices (Nikkei Stock Average Dividend Point Index in addition to Nikkei 225 TR and Nikkei 225 EDP) on the next business day.

The same will be applied to the total return index of the Nikkei 225 Global Exposure 50 Index (including Net version) since Olympus is a constituent of this index.

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