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Revisions to the index rule of the Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes

Addition of exclusion rules between regular reconfigurations only to Russell/Nomura Prime Index

Russell Investment Group and the Quantitative Research Center of Nomura Securities have revised statements of index rules in accordance with the changes of definitions of exchanges.

1. Index rule addition only to Prime Index concerning exclusions between regular reconfigurations

If, on any of the determination dates listed below, a Prime Index constituent stock's adjusted market capitalization stock falls below the minimum size criterion of 0.1% of the total adjusted market capitalization of the Total Market Index, it will be removed from the Prime Index (also from Prime Value Index, Prime Growth Index and Prime related sector indexes in the same manner) on the first business day of the second subsequent month. However, it will not be removed from other Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes.

Determination date	Removal date
End-April	First business day of June
End-July	First business day of September
End-January	First business day of March

2. Implementation

This rule will take effect starting from 1 June 2009 (date of determination is last business day of April, final inclusion on last business day of May).

Note: Please refer to the Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes rulebook to be released on 24 April, 2009.

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