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**Change to the rule on selection of stocks
(Russell/Nomura Japan Equity Indexes)**

Russell Investment Group and the Financial & Economic Research Center of Nomura Securities have revised the rule regarding the selection of stocks.

Index rule revisions

(1) Before revisions

Selections are made based on data as of the end of the month prior to the month preceding the regular reconfiguration.

(2) After revisions

Selections are made based on data as of 15th (the business day prior to the 15th, in the case where the 15th is a holiday) of the month prior to the month preceding the regular reconfiguration.

(3) Implementation

This revision to the index rules will take effect on the occasion of this year's annual reconstitution (The data as of Monday, 15 October 2007 will be used for the reconstitution).

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