

Increasing Flexibility of Earnings Reports and Quarterly Earnings Reports

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I. Purpose

In its "Japan Revitalization Strategy-Revised in 2015", the government asked for an extensive consideration of formats for information disclosure to encourage constructive dialogue between companies and investors for sustainable corporate growth. In response to this request, on April 18, 2016, the Financial System Council's Working Group on Corporate Disclosure proposed to increase flexibility with respect to corporate information disclosure based on the three regulatory frameworks that require disclosure: the Companies Act, the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and the listing rules. The proposal is aimed at coordinating the overall framework to enable disclosure to be made in a more efficient, effective, and timely manner, in a form that is easier to understand.

Tokyo Stock Exchange will increase flexibility for information disclosure by removing the requirement to use its formats for earnings reports (kessan tanshin) and quarterly earnings reports (hereafter collectively "earnings reports").

II. Outline

Items	Contents	Remarks
Increasing flexibility of earnings reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Listed companies will no longer be required to use the specified formats of Summary Information for earnings reports.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Along with this change, listed companies will only be requested to refer to the formats for accompanying documents, or appendices to the Summary Information, when creating earnings reports.

III. Implementation Date (Tentative)

This revision will apply from a listed company's first full-year or quarterly earnings report that is disclosed after the end of March 2017.