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Bank of Japan

Amendment to "Principal Terms and Conditions for Purchases of ETFs and J-REITs"

At the Monetary Policy Meeting held today, the Policy Board of the Bank of Japan decided to make an amendment to "Principal Terms and Conditions for Purchases of ETFs and J-REITs" (see Attachment).

The amendment was made in accordance with the decision at the Monetary Policy Meeting held on October 31, 2014, and the forthcoming enforcement of Article 9 of the 2013 Amendment Act of Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, etc. (Act No. 45, 2013).

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- Paragraph 3. shall be amended as follows.

3. ETFs and J-REITs to Be Purchased

ETFs and J-REITs that are listed on a financial instruments exchange (as defined in Article 2, Paragraph 16 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Act No. 25, 1948, hereinafter the same), and that shall satisfy the criteria below and for which there are no particular obstacles for eligibility.

- (1) ETFs shall be managed so that they track the Tokyo Stock Price Index (TOPIX) ~~or~~ the Nikkei 225 Stock Average, or the JPX-Nikkei Index 400 (JPX-Nikkei 400).

- (2) (No change)

- The following paragraph 8. (1) e. shall be added after paragraph 8. (1) d.

e. In case the Bank accepts an issuer's request for acquisition of its J-REIT on condition that the Bank does not suffer a loss and there is no inconvenience to the Bank's smooth purchases of J-REITs.

(Supplementary Provision)

These amendments shall become effective on a date designated by the Governor, which shall be no later than December 31, 2014. However, the amendment regarding paragraph 8. shall become effective as soon as preparatory work is completed, and the Governor shall determine the effective date.