

CANON INC
Form 6-K
December 28, 2015

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of **December**

2015

CANON INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

30-2, Shimomaruko 3-Chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo 146-8501, Japan

(Address of principal executive offices)

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

[If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):82-.....

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CANON INC.

(Registrant)

Date . **December 24, 2015**

By /s/ . Shinichi Aoyama
(Signature)*

Shinichi Aoyama
Deputy Senior General Manager
Group Management Center
Canon Inc.

*Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

The following materials are included.

1. Notice Regarding Projected Dividend for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2015

(the 115th Business Term)

December 24, 2015

Canon Inc.
 Chairman & CEO: Fujio Mitarai
 Securities code: 7751
 [Tokyo (First section) and other Stock Exchanges]

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Notice Regarding Projected Dividend for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2015

(the 115th Business Term)

At a Board of Directors meeting held on December 24, 2015, Canon Inc. (the Company) passed a resolution regarding the projected year-end dividend per share for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 (the 115th Business Term) as follows.

1. Basic Policy Regarding Profit Distribution and Dividend for the Period

The Company works to provide a stable return and actively return profits to shareholders, mainly in the form of a dividend, taking into consideration medium-term profit forecasts along with planned future investments, cash flow and other factors.

From a stable profit return to shareholders perspective, the Company plans to distribute a year-end dividend for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 (the 115th Business Term) of 75.00 yen per share, which is the same amount as the interim dividend. As a result, the full-year dividend amount for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015, will be the same as for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014.

2. Projected Dividend Details

| | Interim | Dividend per share (yen) | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Year-end | Full Year |
| Previous projection | | Not yet determined | Not yet determined |
| Current projection | | 75.00 yen | 150.00 yen |
| Actual | 75.00 yen | | |
| Previous year s | 65.00 yen | 85.00 yen | 150.00 yen |

dividend payout

(Fiscal year ending

December 31, 2014)