index with a weight greater than 4.8% exceeds 24%. If the threshold is breached, the current

stock weights are recapped, with weights of individual securities capped at 10% and the aggregate weight of stocks with individual weights greater than 4.5% capped at 22.5% of

the index's total weight.

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# Dow Jones Select Dividend Indices Consultation on Constituent Weightings – Results (Updated)

**NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 5, 2024**: S&P Dow Jones Indices ("S&P DJI") has conducted a <u>consultation</u> with market participants on potential changes to the Dow Jones Asia/Pacific Select Dividend 50, Dow Jones Emerging Markets Select Dividend, and Dow Jones EPAC Select Dividend indices.

S&P DJI is updating the consultation <u>results</u> issued on December 21, 2023 to correct the implementation timing. The methodology changes will be implemented in conjunction with the March 2024 rebalancing, which takes effect prior to the market open on **Monday, March 18, 2024**.

To improve liquidity and reduce turnover, S&P DJI is changing the Constituent Weightings schemes for these indices. In addition, S&P DJI is also making an increase to the liquidity screen in the Index Universe criteria for the Dow Jones Emerging Markets Select Dividend Index. The table below summarizes the changes.

#### Methodology Changes **Previous** Updated The constituent weights for the index The constituent weights for the index are Constituent are determined annually using the determined annually based on tilted IAD yields. Weightings: Dow Jones EPAC The tilted IAD yields are calculated by following steps: Select Dividend multiplying each constituent's IAD vield by the · Calculate the IAD weight of each square root of its FMC. The IAD yield values Index constituent within its respective country used to calculate the tilted IAD yield weights are by dividing each company's IAD by the capped at 20%. The final constituent weights sum of all the IADs within that country. are subject to the below constraints: Calculate the IAD yield weight of each a) The weights of individual securities are country within the index by dividing the capped at the lower of 10% or five times sum of all the vields within each country the constituent's FMC weight within the by the sum of all the yields in the Index. index, using the FMC as of the last business day of February. Calculate the final constituent weight by multiplying the IAD weight of each b) The aggregate weight of constituents constituent by its respective yield within each GICS sector and each country country weight. of domicile is capped at 30%. The IAD yield values used to calculate c) The aggregate weight of stocks with constituent weights are capped at 20%. weights greater than 4.5% cannot The weights of individual securities are exceed 22.5% of the index's total capped at the lower of 10% or five weight. times the constituent's FMC weight within the index, using the FMC as of The index is also reviewed daily based on each stock's index weight. Daily capping is performed the last business day of February. The when the aggregate weight of stocks in the aggregate weight of constituents within

each GICS sector and each country of

domicile is capped at 30%.

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Onlanges		Indicated yields and tilted yield weights are not recalculated if the capping thresholds are breached throughout the year.
		A freeze period on daily capping is implemented during annual rebalancing. The freeze period begins after the market close on the Wednesday prior to the second Friday of March and ends after the market close on the Monday following the third Friday of March.
		When daily capping is necessary, the changes are announced after the close of the business day on which the daily weight caps are exceeded, with the reference date after the close of that same business day, and the effective date of the changes two business days later.
Constituent Weightings: Dow Jones Emerging Markets Select Dividend Index	Constituent weightings are assigned annually based on IAD yield. No single country can represent more than 25% of the index.	Constituent weightings are assigned annually based on tilted IAD yields. The tilted IAD yields are calculated by multiplying each constituent's IAD yield by the square root of its FMC. The IAD yield values used to calculate the tilted IAD yield weights are capped at 15%. The final constituent weights are subject to the below constraints:
		a) Individual securities are capped at 10%.
		b) Individual country weights are capped at 25%.
		c) The aggregate weight of constituents within each GICS sector is capped at 30%.1
		d) The aggregate weight of stocks with weights greater than 4.5% cannot exceed 22.5% of the index's total weight.
		The index is also reviewed daily based on each stock's index weight. Daily capping is performed when the aggregate weight of stocks in the index with a weight greater than 4.8% exceeds 24%. If the threshold is breached, the current stock weights are recapped to comply to the constraints A and C as stated above.
		Indicated yields and tilted yield weights are not recalculated if the capping thresholds are breached throughout the year.
		A freeze period on daily capping is implemented during annual rebalancing. The freeze period begins after the market close on the Wednesday prior to the second Friday of March

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This constraint was not in original consultation proposal. It has no impact on the current index composition.

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		and ends after the market close on the Monday following the third Friday of March.	
		When daily capping is necessary, the changes are announced after the close of the business day on which the daily weight caps are exceeded, with the reference date after the close of that same business day, and the effective date of the changes two business days later.	
Constituent Weightings: Dow Jones Asia/Pacific Select Dividend 50 Index	Constituent weightings are assigned annually based on IAD yield. The dividend yield values used to calculate constituent weights are capped at 20%.  1. With data reflected on the rebalancing reference date, each stock is weighted by IAD yield.  2. If any stock's weight exceeds 10%, that stock's weight is capped at	Constituent weights are assigned annually based on tilted IAD yields. The tilted IAD yields are calculated by multiplying each constituent's IAD yield by the square root of its FMC. The IAD yield values used to calculate the tilted IAD yield weights are capped at 20%. The final constituent weights are subject to the below constraints:  a) Individual securities are capped at 10%.	
	<ul><li>10%.</li><li>3. All excess weight is proportionally</li></ul>	b) Individual GICS Sector weights are	
	redistributed to all uncapped stocks within the index.  4. After this redistribution, if the weight of any other stock(s) then breaches 10%, the process is repeated iteratively until no stocks breach the 10% weight cap.  5. The aggregate weight stocks with weights greater than 4.5% cannot exceed 22.5% of the index's total weight.  6. If the rule in Step 5 is breached, all stocks are ranked in descending order based on their weights and the stock with the lowest weight that causes the 22.5% limit breach is identified. The weight of this stock is then reduced to 4.5%.  7. The excess weight is then proportionally redistributed to all stocks with weights of less than 4.5%. Any stock that receives excess weight cannot breach the 4.5% cap. This process is repeated iteratively until Step 5 is satisfied or until the weights of all stocks are greater than or equal to 4.5%.  8. If the weights of all stocks are greater than or equal to 4.5% and the rule in Step 5 is still not satisfied, then the stock with the	The index is also reviewed daily based on each stock's index weight. Daily capping is performed when the aggregate weight of stocks in the index with a weight greater than 4.8% exceeds 24%. If the threshold is breached, the current stock weights are recapped to comply to the constraints A and C as stated above. Indicated yields and tilted yield weights are not recalculated if the capping thresholds are breached throughout the year.	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}$  For the detailed annual capping process, refer to the existing methodology  $\underline{\text{here}}$ 

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Liquidity Criteria: Dow Jones Emerging Markets Select Dividend Index	Stocks must pass the following screens:  • Minimum three-month ADVT of US\$  2 million (US\$ 500,000 for current constituents).	Stocks must pass the following screens:  • Minimum three-month ADVT of US\$ 3 million (US\$ 1,500,000 for current constituents).

Please refer to the Dow Jones Dividend Indices Methodology for more information on the indices.

## **IMPLEMENTATION TIMING**

S&P DJI will implement the previously described methodology changes in conjunction with the March 2024 rebalancing, which takes effect prior to the market open on **Monday, March 18, 2024**. The changes will first be visible to clients in pro-forma files beginning on **Friday, March 1, 2024**.

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