

CANON INC  
Form 6-K  
June 27, 2013

**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 . **June**

**2013**

**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      **X**

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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.... **June 27, 2013**

By /s/ Shinichi Aoyama  
(Signature)\*

Shinichi Aoyama  
General Manager  
Consolidated Accounting Div.  
Canon Inc.

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

The following materials are included.

1. Notice Regarding Retained Earnings Dividend

June 26, 2013

Canon Inc.

Chairman &amp; CEO: Fujio Mitarai

Securities code: 7751

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Notice Regarding Retained Earnings Dividend

At a Board of Directors meeting held on June 26, 2013, Canon Inc. (the Company) passed a resolution regarding distribution of a retained earnings dividend, record date June 30, 2013, as follows.

## 1. Dividend Details

	Determined	Most recent	Previous period
	amount	dividend forecast	result
		(Announced April 24, 2013)	(First half of fiscal year 2012)
Record date	June 30, 2013	June 30, 2013	June 30, 2012
Dividend per share	65 yen	Undetermined	60 yen
Total dividend amount	74,932 million yen		70,270 million yen
Effective date	August 27, 2013		August 27, 2012
Dividend resource	Retained earnings		Retained earnings

## 2. Reason

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.

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The Company plans to distribute an interim dividend of ¥65 per share for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013 (the 113<sup>th</sup> Business Term), half the amount of the annual dividend paid out in fiscal year 2012 (includes commemorative dividend), to provide a stable return to shareholders. The year-end dividend, however, has yet to be decided.