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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 March , 2006

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)

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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 March 31, 2006 By /s/ Hiroshi Kawashimo

(Signature)*

Hiroshi Kawashimo General Manager, Finance Division Canon Inc.

^{*}Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature. The following materials are included.

^{1.} Notice of Resolutions of The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders For The 105th Business Term

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March 30, 2006

TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS

Canon Inc.

30-2, Shimomaruko 3-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo Fujio Mitarai Chairman, President & CEO

NOTICE OF RESOLUTIONS

OF

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS FOR THE 105TH BUSINESS TERM

Notice is hereby given that at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders for the 105th Business Term of Canon Inc. (the Company) held today, reports were made and resolutions were passed as mentioned below.

Matters Reported:

- 1. Reports on the Business Report, Consolidated Balance Sheet and Consolidated Statement of Income for the 105th Business Term (from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005), and reports on the Auditing Results of Accounting Auditor and Board of Corporate Auditors regarding the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- 2. Reports on the Balance Sheet and Statement of Income for the 105th Business Term (from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005).

The contents of items 1 and 2 above were reported.

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Matters Resolved upon:

Item No. 1 Approval of the Proposal of Profit Appropriation for the 105th Business Term It was approved and adopted in all respects as proposed and, in order to respond to the continuing support from our shareholders, the dividend of profits due for this term was decided to be 67.50 yen per share, an increase of 27.50 yen compared to the previous term. Since the Company has already paid an interim dividend of 32.50 yen per share, together with the above dividend, the dividend for the entire Business Term will be 100.00 yen per share in total (an increase of 35.00 yen compared to the previous term).

Item No. 2 Partial Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation

It was approved and adopted in all respects as proposed, and to strengthen and enhance the Company s audit system, the number of Corporate Auditors was amended from four (4) or less to five (5) or less.

Item No. 3 Election of Twenty-Six Directors

It was approved and adopted in all respects as proposed. As a result, Messrs. Fujio Mitarai, Toshizo Tanaka, Tsuneji Uchida, Nobuyoshi Tanaka, Junji Ichikawa, Hajime Tsuruoka, Akiyoshi Moroe, Kunio Watanabe, Hironori Yamamoto, Yoroku Adachi, Yasuo Mitsuhashi, Katsuichi Shimizu, Ryoichi Bamba, Tomonori Iwashita, Toshio Homma, Shigeru Imaiida, Masahiro Osawa, Keijiro Yamazaki, Shunichi Uzawa, Masaki Nakaoka, Toshiyuki Komatsu, Shigeyuki Matsumoto and Haruhisa Honda were reappointed as Directors, and Messrs. Tetsuro Tahara, Seijiro Sekine and Shunji Onda were newly appointed as Directors. All of them assumed their offices.

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Item No. 4 Election of Two Corporate Auditors

It was approved and adopted in all respects as proposed. As a result, Messrs. Yoshinobu Shimizu and Minoru Shishikura were newly appointed as Corporate Auditors and assumed their offices. Messrs. Yoshinobu Shimizu and Minoru Shishikura are outside Corporate Auditors defined in Article 18, Paragraph 1 of the Law regarding Exceptional Rules of the Commercial Code concerning Auditing, etc. of Stock Corporations.

Item No. 5 Grant of Retiring Allowance to Directors and Corporate Auditor to be Retired It was approved and adopted in all respects as proposed. Thus, it was decided that retiring allowances should be granted to each of the retired Directors, Messrs. Yukio Yamashita and Yusuke Emura, and the retired Corporate Auditor, Mr. Tetsuo Yoshizawa, within the due amount based upon certain standards stipulated by the Company, and that the determination of the actual amount and the time and method of granting, etc. should be entrusted to the Board of Directors for the retired Directors, and to the consultation of Corporate Auditors for the retired Corporate Auditor.

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n Appointment of Representative Directors and Directors with Specific Titles

As a result of the resolution passed at the meeting of the Board of Directors which was held after the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders for the 105th Business Term, each of the following persons were appointed as Representative Directors and/or Directors with specific titles. All of them assumed their offices.

Chairman, President & Fujio Mitarai

CEO

Executive Vice Tsuneji Uchida

President

Senior Managing Toshizo Tanaka

Director

Senior Managing Nobuyoshi Tanaka

Director

Senior Managing Junji Ichikawa

Director

Senior Managing Hajime Tsuruoka

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PAYMENT OF THE DIVIDEND OF PROFITS

The dividend due for the 105th Business Term shall be paid by either of the following methods.

n If you are receiving the dividend with the Postal Giro Payment Advice Form:

Please receive the dividend in accordance with the instructions stated on the enclosed Postal Giro Payment Advice Form at a nearby post office during the payment period (from March 31, 2006 through May 1, 2006). This Postal Giro Payment Advice Form can also make your dividend be remitted to your bank account, postal giro account and postal account.

n If you have requested to have the dividend transferred to your bank account or postal account:

Please confirm the enclosed Statement of Dividend of Profits and Dividend Transfer Notice.