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1. Introduction

This operation manual summarizes the screen-based procedures for performing various tasks related to the creation/redemption (including cash redemption) of ETFs by designated participants (AP), asset management companies (AM), and trust banks (TB) using CredNex, a service provided by Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. (TSE).

Please note that the screen images displayed in this manual may differ from the actual screens.

2. User Guide

(1) Recommended Environment

CredNex is a system built on Amazon Web Services (AWS) and is recommended for use in the environment shown in the table below.

Item	Contents	Remarks
OS	Windows 11 or later	-
Browser	Microsoft Edge	_
	Google Chrome	
Display	Resolution of 1,280 × 1,024 or	Functions will operate normally
	higher	even at resolutions lower than that
	(Magnification 100%)	listed to the left, but there may be
		issues such as misaligned display
		items or button labels.
Internet connection	Necessary	-

For connections using Web API, please refer to the API specifications specified separately.

(2) Hours of Use

The URL and hours of use for CredNex are as follows.

Production environment

URL https://crednex.jpx.co.jp

Hours of use Business days from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Test environment

URL https://stg.crednex.jpx.co.jp

Hours of use Business days from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

3. Screen Layout

After logging in, the CredNex screen is composed of the "Menu Area," "Title Area," and "Main Area."

In the "Menu Area," you can check your user name at the top and navigate to various menus or log out. Note that the contents of the menu items vary depending on user attributes. (For details on the menu items displayed for each user attribute, please refer to the table below: "Table: Menu Area User Correspondence Table.")

In the "Title Area," you can check the screen title on the left side and perform button operations necessary for the entire page (some screens may not have buttons).

In the "Main Area," you can perform the main operations for the current page, such as entering applications or viewing/retrieving information.



Image: Screen sample

Table: Menu Are User Correspondence Table

Menu item	Function overview	AP	AM	ТВ
Application	You can apply for creation/redemption.	0	_	_
Application list	In the application list, you can view and retrieve	0	0	0
	application information, and obtain and approve			
	statements.			
	Furthermore, in the application details screen			
	accessed from the application list, you can			
	approve or reject applications, request			
	cancellation of applications and approve or			
	reject such requests, and return statements.			
Statements	You can register statements.	_	0	_
Blackout Dates	You can register and obtain blackout dates.	0	0	0
Issue Master File	You can register and obtain Issue Master Files.	0		0

^{*}The operations available on each screen vary depending on user attributes.

4. Login

Access the URL of the environment you wish to use (production or test environment), enter your user ID and password on the login screen that appears, and click the "Sign-in" button.



If the user ID or password you entered is incorrect, the message "ID or password is incorrect" will be displayed.

If you enter the wrong password a certain number of times, you will be temporarily locked out for security reasons. When you are locked out, the message "Your account is locked" will be displayed.

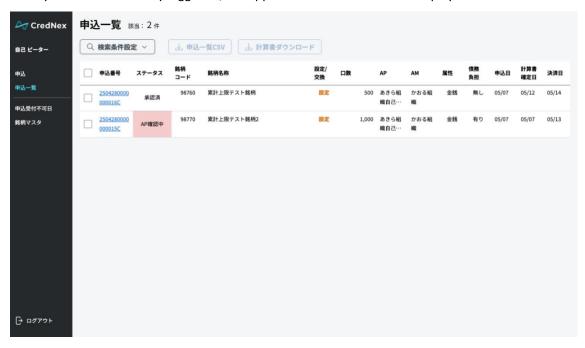
* If you fail to log in five times in a row, you will initially be locked out for one second. If you continue to fail to log in, the lockout time will increase according to the number of failed attempts (doubling each time: one second, two seconds, four seconds, eight seconds, etc.), with



approximately 15 minutes being the longest period you will be unable to log in.

If you forget your password, please contact the CredNex administrator (listed in "13. Contact").

Once you have successfully logged in, the application list screen will be displayed.



Please note that if you change users, you will need to return to the login screen from the logout menu area and log in again.

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5. Blackout Dates

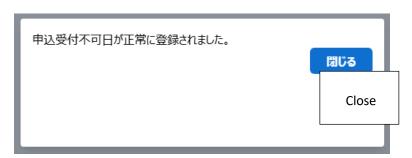
(1) Registration and Modification of List of Blackout Dates (AM)

In advance, create an upload file for blackout dates in accordance with the "Specifications for Batch Registration File for Blackout Dates" specified separately.

Click "Blackout Dates" (1.) in the menu area to display the screen for blackout dates. On the screen for blackout dates, click the "Register" button (2.) and select the CSV file created in advance.



Once registration is complete, the following screen will appear and the information will be reflected immediately.



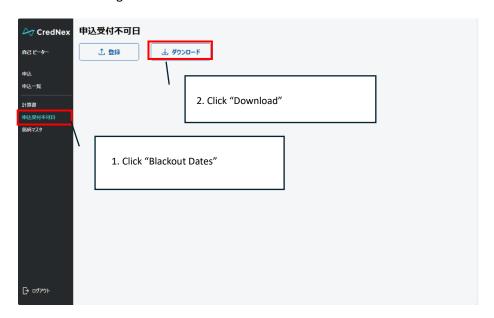
You can register and delete blackout dates for multiple ETF issues in a single file. You can also register multiple files on the same day. However, the days registered as blackout dates must be business days.

Please note that if you upload a file containing multiple records and there are records with errors in the validation check, none of the records in the file, including valid ones, will be imported into

CredNex. You will need to re-upload the file with all records free of errors. Additionally, if there are valid records with duplicate issue codes or blackout dates, they will be overwritten.

(2) Obtaining a List of Blackout Dates (All Users)

Click "Blackout Dates" (1.) in the menu area to display the screen for blackout dates. On the screen, click the "Download" button (2.) to download a file containing blackout dates for all CredNex-eligible ETF issues. Please note that all issues for dates on and after the current day will be downloaded in a single file.



6. Issue Master File

CredNex registers the basic information of ETFs that have been applied for in advance as "Issue Master File" information. The operations that can be performed in the Issue Master file vary depending on user attributes.

(1) Registration and Modification of Issue Master File (AM)

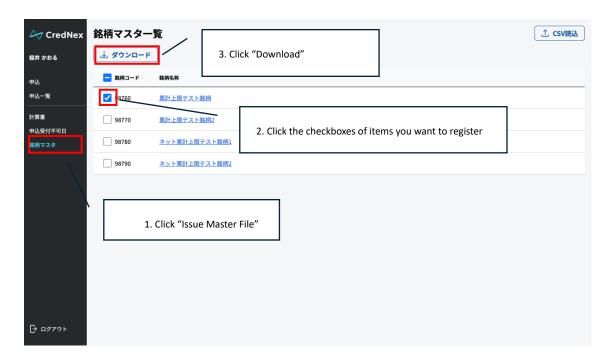
When registering ETFs with CredNex, AM submits an application in the format specified by Tokyo Stock Exchange. Tokyo Stock Exchange registers the information submitted by AM on CredNex. However, the initial setting for "automatic approval conditions" is "automatic approval disabled," so AM must make changes to enable automatic approval.

AM can modify certain items in the "Basic Information" section and the "automatic approval conditions" of registered ETF securities on CredNex.

Click "Issue Master File" (1.) in the menu area to display the Issue Master File list.

Click the checkbox (2.) at the far left of the issue you wish to register or modify. If one or more securities are selected, the "Download" button (3.) will become active.

Clicking the "Download" button (3.) will download the ETF Issue Master File CSV file for the selected securities. If multiple ETF securities are selected, they will be downloaded as a single file.



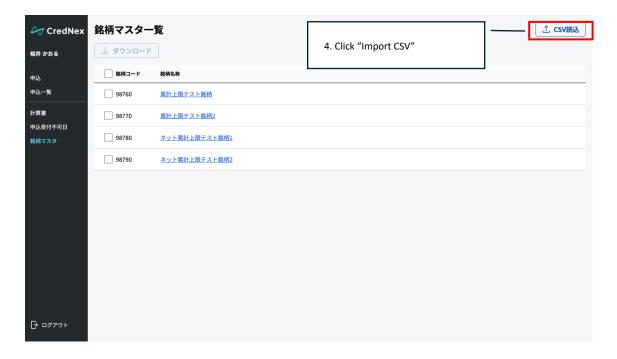
Open the downloaded Issue Master File CSV file and create an upload file for the Issue Master File in accordance with the separately specified "Issue Master File Registration File Design Specifications".

Note that due to the file specifications, all data in the downloaded file has a single quotation mark (') at the beginning, but you do not need to insert single quotation marks when creating the upload file. (Leaving the single quotation marks as they are is acceptable.)

Q. Is there an easy way to edit CSV files?

A. The Issue Master File CSV file is designed to be opened and edited in Excel. Since the column headers are provided, you can easily edit the file in Excel. Once you have finished editing, save the file in CSV format, and it will be saved as a file that can be uploaded.

On the Issue Master File list screen, click the "Import CSV" button (4.) and select the Issue Master File CSV file you created earlier. You can register or change multiple securities in a single file.

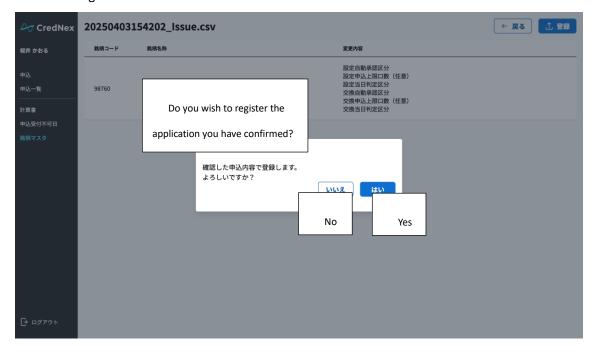


When the import is complete, a screen will appear showing the changes made to the CSV file, such as that below. If any items have been changed from the information registered in CredNex, the "Changes" column will show such items.

If there are no problems with the changes, click the "Register" button (5.) to register the changes.



A registration confirmation screen will appear. Click "Yes" to register, or "No" to return to the CSV file change confirmation screen.



A confirmation screen will appear. Click "OK" to return to the Issue Master File list screen, and the registered information will be reflected immediately.



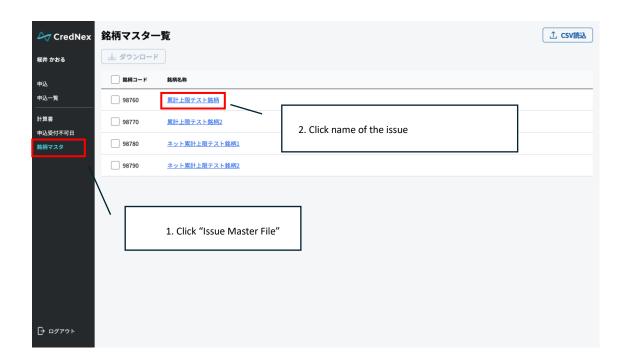
You can check the registered information from the Issue Master File details screen. For specific instructions, please refer to "(2) Referencing the Issue Master File"

(2) Referencing the Issue Master File (AP, AM, TB)

AP, AM, and TB can reference the contents of the ETF Issue Master File with permission on CredNex (users other than an AM cannot reference "automatic approval conditions").

Click "Issue Master File" (1.) in the menu area to display the Issue Master File list.

Click the name of the target issue (2.) to navigate to the Issue Master File details screen for the target issue.



The Issue Master File details screen displays issue master information that has been registered in advance by an AM. For definitions of each item, refer to the separately specified "Issue Master Output File Specification".



AM only: You can view the information by clicking the "Basic Information" and "Automatic Approval Conditions" tabs (4.) in the Issue Master File details screen.



Click the "Back" button (5.) at the right end of the title area to return to the Issue Master File list screen.



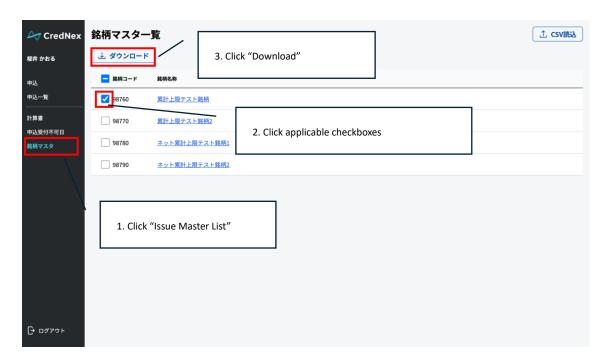
(3) Acquisition of Issue Master File (AP, AM, TB)

An AP, AM, and TB can retrieve the contents of the ETF Issue Master File list with permission on CredNex (users other than an AM cannot retrieve "Automatic Approval Conditions" information).

Click "Issue Master File" in the menu area to display the Issue Master File list.

Click the checkbox (2.) at the left end of the target issue. When one or more issues are selected, the "Download" button (3.) becomes active.

Click the "Download" button (3.) to download the CSV file containing the Issue Master File for the selected ETF issues. Even if you select multiple ETF issues, they will be downloaded as a single file.



7. PCF

PCF-related functions will not be available when the system first goes live in September 2025 (planned).

8. Application Procedures

(1) Registration of Application (AP)

Click "Application" (1.) in the menu area to display the application input screen. On the application input screen, enter the "issue code" of the CredNex-eligible ETF for which you wish to apply for creation/redemption (2.) (only half-width alphanumeric characters can be entered for the issue code). At this point, the system will display a list of candidate issue codes and issue names based on a prefix match search.



When you select "Creation/Redemption Category" (3.), the contents of "Clearing" (4.) are automatically displayed based on the Issue Master registered in advance by AM, and "Clearing" or "Non-Clearing" can be selected only if the Issue Master is registered as having clearing type "selectable". If the clearing type is selectable, the default input is "clearing". At the same time, an input field will appear at the bottom of the screen. Enter the necessary items ("Number of Shares" (only half-width numbers can be entered) and "Application Date" (The default is the date of entry. To change the date, click the calendar icon and select the desired date. Blackout dates, such as non-business days, cannot be selected.)) (5.).

Please note that "Statement Fixing Date," "Trust Termination Date," and "Settlement Date" are automatically displayed based on the Issue Master File registered in advance by an AM and cannot be changed. In addition, the "JASDEC Participant Code" (displayed only when "Clearing" is not

specified) is automatically entered based on the information applied for in advance by an AP and cannot be changed at the time of application registration.

Click the "Confirm Content" button (6.). The "Confirm Content" button cannot be clicked if all required fields have not been filled in or if the input content has failed a validation check. For details on validation checks, please refer to the separate document "List of Validation Checks."

Please note that even if you select a date in the application date field of the application form,

depending on the issue, there may be cases in which applications for the following business day or

later will not be accepted.



Q. Can I select whether or not to use clearing when entering my application?

A. For issues that have been set in the issue master as selectable the clearing type, the clearing type can be selected at the time of application.

However, for the issues that have been set in the Issue Master as "Clearing" only or "Non-Clearing" only, the clearing type is automatically set based on the Issue Master.

On the application confirmation screen, check the information you entered and click the "Register Application" button(7.) if there are no problems. If you want to correct the information you entered, click the "Back" button to return to the application entry screen.



The final confirmation screen will appear. Click "OK" to complete the registration process and proceed to the application list screen. Click "Cancel" to return to the application details confirmation screen.



(2) Application Confirmation and Approval (AP)

When the applicant completes the application registration, a notification email is sent to users with AP application approval authority. (For details on the timing of email notifications and email

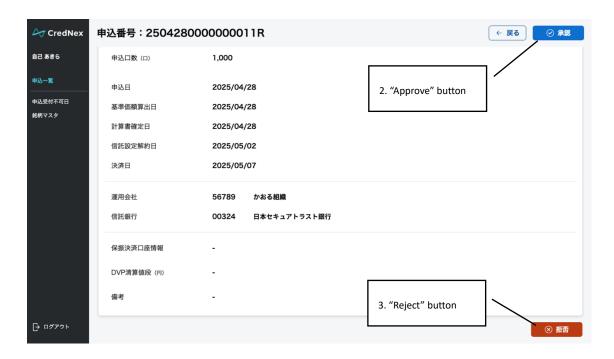
content, please refer to the separate documents "Status Definitions" and "Notification Email Samples.")

Click the link (1.) to the application details screen listed in the notification email to display the application details screen for that application. Please note that you must be logged in to CredNex to access the application details screen. If you are logged out, the login screen will be displayed, and after logging in, the application list screen will be displayed.

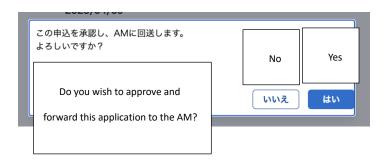


On the application details screen, confirm the application details and click the "Approve" button (2.) to approve or the "Reject" button (3.) to reject.

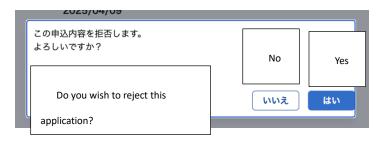
Please note that you cannot click the "Approve" or "Reject" buttons for applications with a status other than "Application in Process."



When you click the "Approve" button (2.), the following final confirmation screen will be displayed. Click "Yes" to complete AP approval and forward the application to an AM. Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



When you click "Reject" (3.), the following final confirmation screen will appear. Clicking "Yes" will cancel the application (the status will change to "Canceled"). Clicking "No" will return you to the application details screen.



(3) Application Confirmation and Approval (AM)

Once approval by the AP application approver is complete, a notification email will be sent to users with AM IDs. However, if automatic approval is enabled in the Issue Master File, notification emails will only be sent for applications that violate the automatic approval conditions.

(Applications that do not violate the automatic approval conditions will be automatically approved and transition to the "Approved" status.) For details on the timing of email notifications and email content, please refer to the separate documents "Status Definitions" and "Notification Email Samples."

Clicking the link (1.) to the application details screen in the notification email will display the application details screen for that application. (The notification email example below is for when automatic approval is disabled.)

Please note that <u>you must be logged in to CredNex to access the application details screen</u>. If you are logged out, the login screen will be displayed, and after logging in, the application list screen will be displayed.

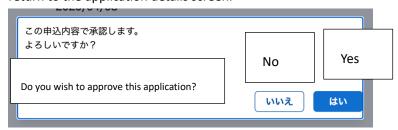


On the application details screen, confirm the application details and click the "Approve" button (2.) to approve or the "Reject" button (3.) to reject.

Please note that you cannot click the "Approve" or "Reject" buttons for applications with a status other than "AM confirmation in progress."



When you click the "Approve" button (2.), the following final confirmation screen will appear. Click "Yes" to approve the application, and the status will change to "Approved." Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



When you click "Reject" (3.), the following final confirmation screen will be displayed. Clicking "Yes" will cancel the application (the status will change to "Canceled"). Clicking "No" will return you to the application details screen.



(4) Cancellation of Application (AP)

If you wish to cancel a registered application, you can perform the cancellation request operation if the status of the application is "Application in Process" or "Approved."

If you perform a cancellation request for an application with the "Application in Process" status, the status will immediately change to "Cancelled" without requiring approval from the AP or AM.

If you submit a cancellation request for an application with the status "Approved," a request for approval of the cancellation will be sent to both AP and AM. The application will only transition to the "Cancelled" status if both AP and AM approve the cancellation. If either AP or AM rejects the request, the application will return to the "Accepted" status.

Please note that <u>registering or canceling application information without the intention of completing the creation/redemption, or doing so arbitrarily, is prohibited under the Terms of Use.</u>

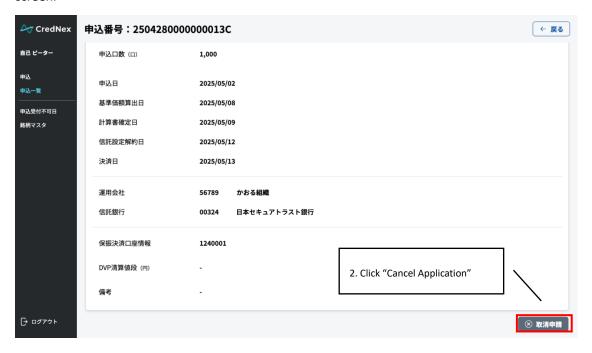
<u>Please refrain from engaging in such acts.</u>

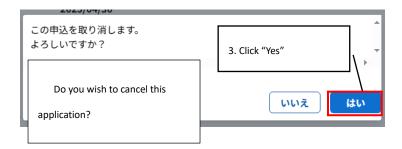
1. Cancellation of Applications Marked "Application in Process" (AP)

Search for the application you wish to cancel in the application list screen, click on the "Application Number" (1.), and display the application details screen. (For details on how to search in the application list screen, please refer to "9. Operations Related to Viewing and Obtaining Application Information.")



On the application details screen, click the "Cancel Application" button (2.) at the bottom of the screen to display the final confirmation screen. Click "Yes" (3.) to complete the cancellation, and the application will be changed to status "Canceled". Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



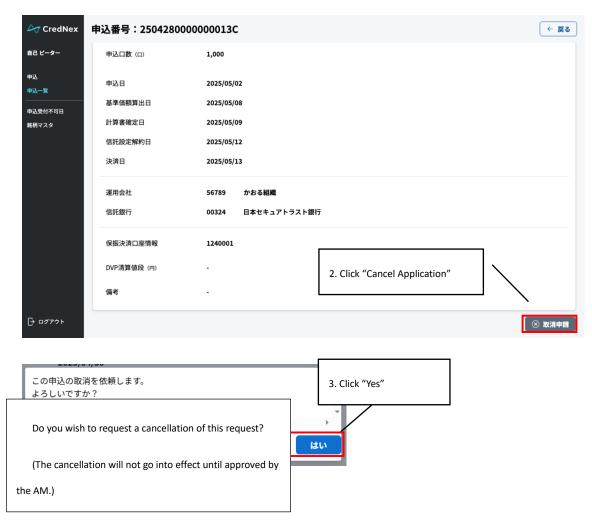


2. Cancellation of "Accepted" Applications (AP)

Search for the application you wish to cancel in the application list screen, click on the "Application Number" (1.), and display the application details screen. (For details on how to search in the application list screen, please refer to "9. Operations Related to Viewing and Obtaining Application Information.")



On the application details screen, click the "Cancel Application" button (2.) at the bottom of the screen to display the final confirmation screen. Click "Yes" (3.) to send the cancellation confirmation request to AP. Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



(5) Confirmation and Approval of Cancellation Request (AP)

If the applicant submits a cancellation request for an application with the status "Accepted", a notification email will be sent to a user with AP application approval authority. (For details on the notification email, please refer to "Appendix 3_Notification Email Sample.") Clicking the link (1.) to the application details screen listed in the notification email will display the application details screen for the relevant application. Note that you must be logged in to CredNex to access the application details screen. If you are logged out, the login screen will appear, and after logging in, the application list screen will be displayed.



On the application details screen, confirm the application details and click the "Approve Cancellation" button (2.) to approve the cancellation, or click the "Reject Cancellation" button (3.) to reject the cancellation.

Please note that you cannot click the "Approve Cancellation" or "Reject Cancellation" buttons for applications with a status other than "Cancel Request in Process AP."



When you click "Cancel Approval" (2.), the following final confirmation screen will appear. Click "Yes" to complete the AP cancellation approval, and the cancellation request will be forwarded to the AM. Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



When you click "Reject Cancellation" (3.), the following final confirmation screen will be displayed. Click "Yes" to return the application to "Accepted" status. Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



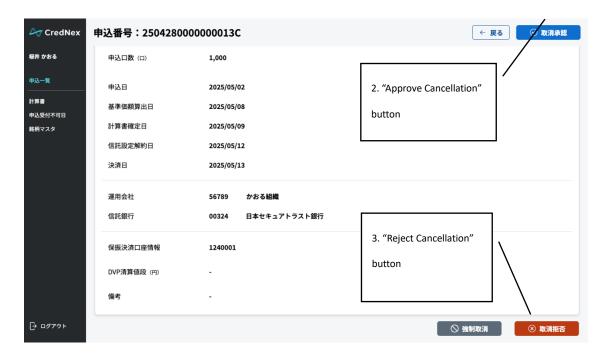
(6) Confirmation and Approval of Cancellation Request (AM)

When a cancellation request is submitted for an application with the status "Accepted", a notification email is sent to users with an AM ID. Clicking the link (1.) in the notification email will display the application details screen for the relevant application. Note that <u>you must be logged in to CredNex to access the application details screen</u>. If you are logged out, the login screen will appear, and after logging in, the application list screen will be displayed.

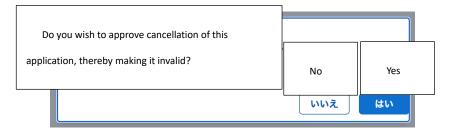


On the application details screen, confirm the application details and click the "Approve Cancellation" button (2.) to approve the cancellation, or click the "Reject Cancellation" button (3.) to reject the cancellation.

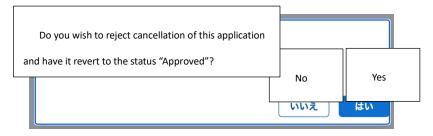
Please note that you cannot click the "Approve Cancellation" or "Reject Cancellation" buttons for applications with a status other than "Cancel Request in Process AM."



When you click "Approve Cancellation" (2.), the following final confirmation screen will appear. Click "Yes" to approve the cancellation request, and the application will be changed to the status "Cancelled". Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



When you click "Reject Cancellation" (3.), the following final confirmation screen will be displayed. Click "Yes" to return the application to status "Accepted". Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



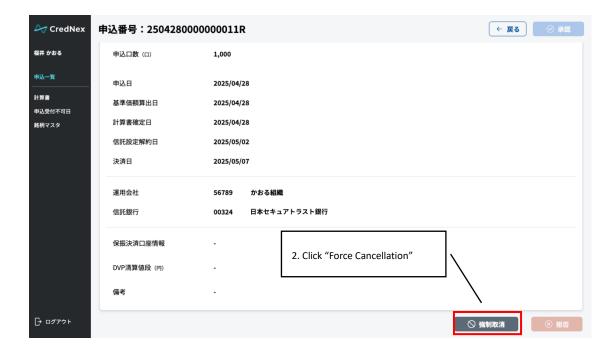
(7) Forced Cancellation (AM)

AM may cancel any application with a status other than "Cancelled" (including applications with statuses such as "Accepted" or "Statement Fixed") without obtaining the consent of the applicant or the applicant's authorized representative, provided that there are truly unavoidable circumstances. However, when exercising this right, AM shall make appropriate adjustments with the relevant parties involved in the application.

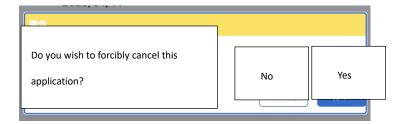
Search for the application you wish to cancel in the application list screen, click on the "Application Number" (1.), and display the application details screen. (For details on the search procedure in the application list screen, please refer to "9. Operations Related to Referencing and Retrieving Application Information.")



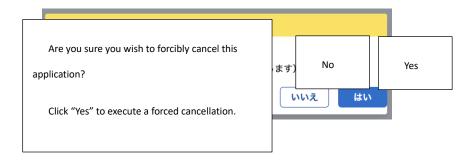
Click the "Force Cancel" button (2.) at the bottom of the application details screen.



A message will appear asking if you want to continue. Click "Yes" to continue. Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



A final confirmation message will be displayed. Clicking "Yes" will execute the forced cancellation, and the application will be changed to "Canceled" status. Clicking "No" will return you to the application details screen.



9. Viewing and Obtaining Application Information

CredNex allows you to view and obtain application information related to applications made on CredNex for eligible ETF issues for which you have permission.

(1) Searching for Application Information (AP, AM, TB)

Click "Application List" (1.) in the menu area to display the application list screen. By default, the application list screen displays applications with the application date set to the current date. The applications are sorted in descending order by application number (the most recent application is displayed at the top).

To set search conditions, click the "Search Condition Settings" button (2.) to expand the search condition settings panel and set the conditions.

Clicking the "Search" button (3.) at the bottom of the search condition settings panel will display a list of applications that match the entered search conditions. For details on the search conditions to set, please refer to the table "Search Conditions for Application Information."





Table: Search Conditions for Application Information

Search conditions	Input value				
Duration	Specify the date type and the period corresponding to that date				
	Selecting the date type				
	 Select the date type you want to search for from the drop-down list of the following date types <selectable date="" types=""></selectable> 				
	Application date, NAV calculation date, statement confirmation date, trust establishment/termination date, settlement date The default selection is "Application Date"				
	Specifying the period				
	 Enter the left date as "from" and the right date as "to" You can specify a period by setting any date in each date input field To change a date, click the calendar icon and select the desired date By default, the current date is set as both the "from" and "to" dates 				
Status	 Select statuses *Multiple selections are possible. <u>If this item is not checked, all statuses will be displayed.</u> 				

Select ETF type from the drop-down list.
<list contents=""></list>
"Not Specified", "In-kind", "Cash"
The default selection is "Not Specified."
Select whether or not to be used clearing from the drop-down list.
<list contents=""></list>
"Not Specified", "Clearing", "Non-Clearing"
The default selection is "Not Specified."
Select AM name from the drop-down list.
<list contents=""></list>
"Not Specified", All of AM name which are registered on CredNex
The default selection is "Not Specified."
The default selection is Not specified.
Enter the issue code (only half-width alphanumeric characters
allowed).
Searches are performed using prefix matching.
The default selection is blank.

(2) Referencing Application Information (AP, AM, TB)

Please refer to the "Table: Information Displayed on the Application List Screen" below regarding the contents displayed on the application list screen.

Table: Information Displayed on the Application List Screen

Category	Displayed content
Checkbox	_
Application Number	 CredNex numbers and displays values that uniquely identify the application information Numbering format: YYMMDDX99999nnnnn YYMMDD = Application information registration date (the date on which AP and MM register the application information with CredNex) ("YY" is the last two digits of the year) X = C or R creation/redemption category

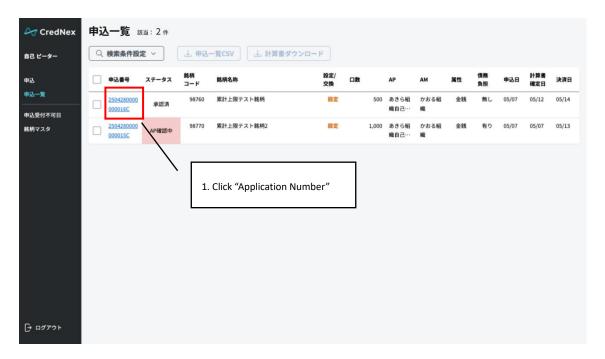
	99999 = ETF issue code to be created/redeemed
	ETF issue code as defined by Securities Identification Code
	Committee (5-digit issue code defined as 4-digit issue code + "0")
	• nnnnn = Value counted up from 00001 for each registration date;
	Count up one by one from 00001 across different combinations of
	creation/redemption, ETF issue code of application, and applicant
	(e.g. 180125C1306000001, 180125R1305000002)
Status	See attached "Status Definitions"
Issue Code	Displays the "ETF Issue Code" set in the application
Issue Name	Displays "Issue Name (Japanese)" (ETF Issue Master File
	information at the time of application registration)
	*If the issue name does not fit on the screen, it will be
	abbreviated. When you place the mouse cursor over the issue
	name, the unabbreviated issue name will be displayed in a pop-
	up window (see "Issue Name Display Example" below).
Creation/Redomntion	Displays the "Creation / Redemption" entergory set in the
Creation/Redemption	Displays the "Creation/Redemption" category set in the application
	application
Number of Shares	Displays the "Number of Shares" set in the application
MM	Displays the "MM Name" of the MM that made the application
*Only commissioned	*To be shortened if it is more than eight characters
APs are displayed	
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AP	Displays the "AP Name" of the AP that made the application. If an
	MM made the application, the "AP Name" of the AP that
	approved the application is displayed instead.
	*To be shortened if it is more than eight characters
AM	Displays the "AM Name" of the AM that approves the application
	*To be shortened if it is more than eight characters
Attaile	O Disabouth (Declaration Attribute (C)
Attribute	Displays the "Product Attribute" (in-kind or in-cash) specified in
	the application
Clearing	Displays the "JSCC Clearing Type" set in the application

Application Date	•	Displays the "Application Date" set in the application in mm/dd format
Statement Fixing Date	•	Refers to the "application date" and displays the "Statement Fixing Date" for the relevant ETF issue in mm/dd format
Settlement Date	•	Refers to the "Application Date" and displays the "Settlement Date" for the relevant ETF issue in mm/dd format

Image: Issue name display



If you want to view the details of a specific application, click the application number link (1.) on the application list screen to display the application details screen.



Please refer to the "Table: Information Displayed on the Application Details Screen" below for the details displayed on the application details screen.

Table: Information Displayed on the Application Details Screen

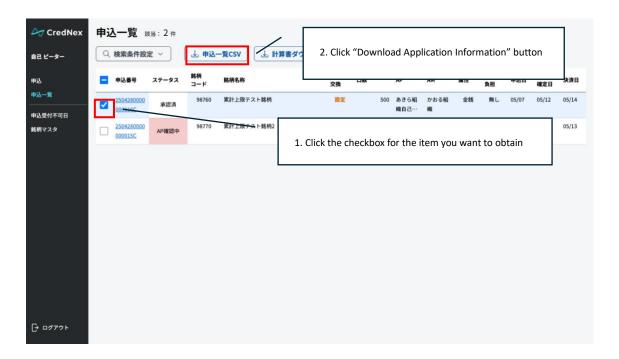
Торіс	Display content
Status	See attached "Status Definitions"
*Only commissioned APs are displayed	Display the "LLT Code" and "MM Name" of the MM that made the application
АР	 Display the "Standard Code for managing securities companies" and "AP Name" of the AP that made the application. If an MM made the application, display the "AP Name" of the AP that approved the application instead.
Issue	 Display the "ETF Issue Code" and "Issue Name (Japanese)" (ETF Issue Master File information at the time of application registration) set in the application
Creation/Redemption Classification	Display the "Creation/Redemption Classification" set in the application
Product Attribute	Display the "Product Attributes" (in-kind or in-cash) set in the application
Clearing	Display the "JSCC Clearing Type" set in the application
Number of Shares	Display the "Number of Shares" set in the application
Application Date	Display the "Application Date" set in the application in the format yyyy/mm/dd
NAV Calculation Date	Refer to "Application Date" and display the "NAV Calculation Date" for the relevant ETF issue in yyyy/mm/dd format
Statement Fixing Date	 Refer to "Application Date" and display the "Statement Fixing Date" for the relevant ETF issue in yyyy/mm/dd format

Trust Termination Date	Refer to "Application Date" and display the "Trust Termination Date" for the relevant ETF issue in yyyy/mm/dd format					
Settlement Date	 Refer to "Application Date" and display the "Settlement Date" of the relevant ETF issue in yyyy/mm/dd format 					
Asset Management Company	Display the "Standard Code for managing securities companies" and "AM Name" of the AM that approves the application					
Trust Bank	Display the "Unified Financial Institution Code" and "TB Name" of the TB that approves the statement for the application					
JASDEC Participant Code	 If "Non-Clearing", display the institution member code registered in advance based on the AP application according to the creation/redemption category If "Clearing", display a hyphen ("-") 					
DVP Settlement Price *Cash type only	• For cash-settled ETFs with "Clearing," the DVP settlement price calculated on the application date (T day) will be output at around 5:00 p.m. on the application date (T day).					
Remarks	 Optional field used by applicants (AP, MM) when applying via API *Please note that an AM may not always be able to refer to this field. If you intend to use this field for communication with an AM, please agree on its purpose in advance with the relevant users. 					

(3) Obtaining Application Information (AP, AM, TB)

On the application list screen, you can obtain application information as a CSV file. Click the checkbox (1.) on the left side of the target issue for which you want to obtain application information. When one or more applications are selected, the "Download Application Information" button will become active.

Clicking the "Download Application Information" button (2.) will download the CSV file containing the application information for the selected applications. If multiple applications are selected, they will be downloaded as a single file.



Please refer to the separately specified "Application Output File Design Specifications" for the contents of the downloaded application information CSV file.

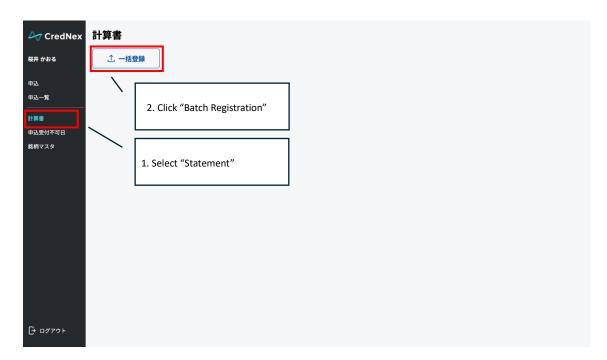
10. Statements

(1) Registration of Statements (AM)

An AM can register settlement statements for applications for CredNex-eligible ETFs with the "Statement Fixing Date" set to the current date and the status set to "Accepted."

In advance, create an upload file for the approved applications in accordance with the separately defined "Statement Registration File Design Specifications."

Click "Statement" (1.) in the menu area to display the statement screen. On the statement screen, click the "Batch Registration" button (2.) and select the CSV file created in advance. Multiple CSV files can be selected.



Once registration is complete, the following screen will appear and your registration will be processed immediately. Registered applications will be moved to the status "Statement in Process (TB)".



*You can register statements only on the statement fixing date calculated by CredNex based on the settings in the Issue Master File.

*You cannot register two or more calculation statement files with the same application number. (If a calculation statement is returned by a TB, please re-register those with the same application number.)

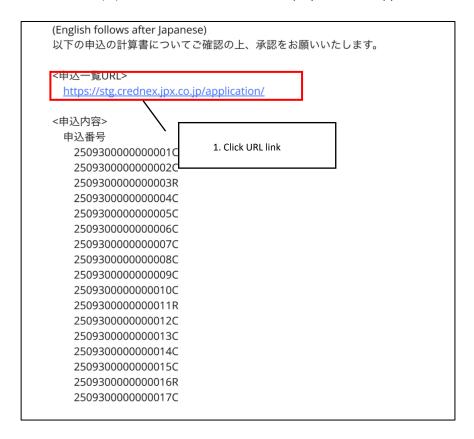
Additionally, when registering multiple files, <u>if any file contains errors during the validation</u>

<u>check, none of the files, including the valid ones, will be imported into CredNex</u>. You must re-upload all files in a state where there are no errors.

(2) Obtaining Statements (TB)

A TB can download statements at any time after they are registered by an AM, regardless of the status of your application.

Once the AM has completed registering the statements, a notification email will be sent to the TB. Click the link (1.) in the notification email to display the latest application list screen.



To obtain the statement for applications subject to approval on the application list screen, click the checkbox (2.) at the left end of the applicable applications. If one or more applications are selected, the "Download Statement" button will become active.

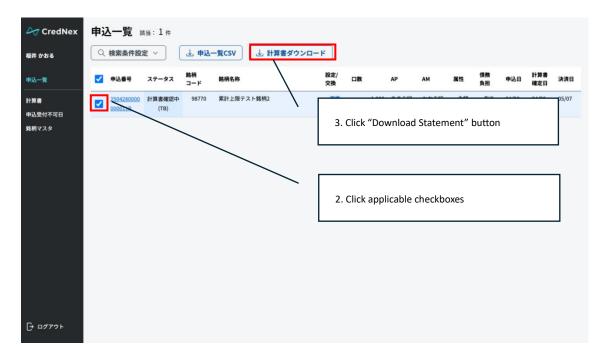
Clicking the "Download Statement" button (3.) will download the CSV file containing the statements for the selected applications. If multiple applications are selected, they will be downloaded as a single zip file.

Statement CSV file name:

"Statement-yymmddnnnnnnnnnx.csv" (yymmddnnnnnnnnx: application number)

ZIP file name:

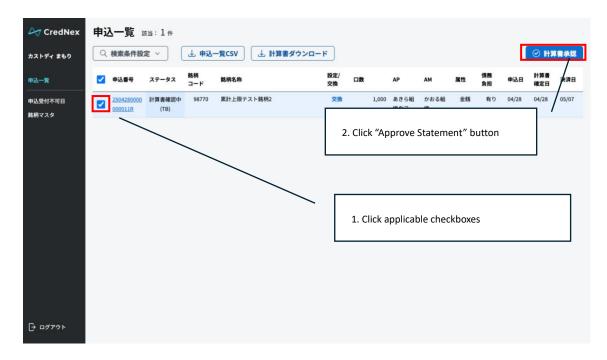
"Statement-yyyymmddhhmmss.zip" (yyyymmddhhmmss: download time on the day)



(3) Approval of Statement (TB)

To approve a statement, click the checkbox (1.) on the left side of the application you wish to approve on the application list screen. When one or more applications are selected, the "Approve Statement" button (2.) will become active.

Click the "Approve Statement" button (2.) to approve the statement for the selected application. If multiple applications are selected, they can be approved all at once.



Please note that for applications other than those with the status "Statement in Process (TB)," clicking the "Approve Statement" button will display an error message and approval will not be possible. Even if you select multiple applications, if any of them have a status other than "Statement in Process (TB)," an error message will be displayed and none of the selected applications will be approved.

When you click the "Approve Statement" button (2.), the following screen will appear. Click "OK" to approve the statement, and the application will be moved to the status "Statement Approved". Click "Cancel" to return to the application list screen.



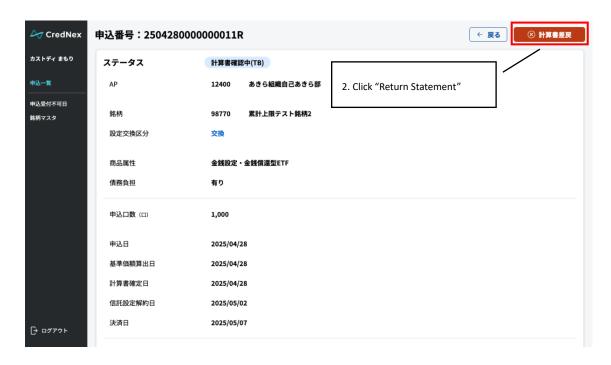
(4) Return of Statement (TB)

The TB can return the statement for the relevant application.

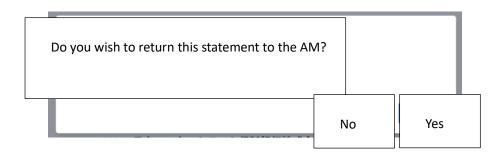
Search for the application you wish to return in the application list screen, click on the "Application Number" (1.), and display the application details screen. (For details on how to search in the application list screen, please refer to "9. Operations Related to Viewing and Obtaining Application Information.")



Click the "Return Statement" button (2.) at the top of the application details screen.



A confirmation message will appear. Click "Yes" to return the statement, and the application will be changed to the status "Statement Returned". Click "No" to return to the application details screen.



When a statement is returned by the TB, a notification email is sent to the AM. Upon receiving the notification email, the AM must recreate and re-register the statement associated with the "Statement Returned" status. (For registration procedures, refer to (1) Statement Registration (AM).)

Please note that <u>only statements with the "Statement Returned" status can be re-registered. If</u>
you attempt to upload statements with statuses other than "Statement Returned" during reregistration, an error will occur. (Statements with the "Statement in Process (TB)" status cannot be
re-registered on the AM side.)

(5) Obtaining statements (AP, AM)

An AP or AM can obtain statements for applications with the status "Statement Fixed" on the application list screen. (For the procedures, refer to (2) Obtaining Statements (TB).)

11. Logging Out

Click "Logout" (1.) at the bottom of the "Menu Area" to log out of CredNex.



Please note that you will be automatically logged out and redirected to the login screen in the following cases.

- If approximately 8 hours pass without any activity after logging in
- If approximately 24 hours pass after logging in, regardless of activity

If you are automatically logged out, you can log in again by following the steps described in "4. Login".

12. Permissions

In CredNex, the services available to you vary depending on your organizational classification, as described below. Furthermore, if you yourself are an AP, you have "application" and "approval" permissions, with the services available depending on your ID.

	AP (oneself)		AP	AM	ТВ	MM
	Application	Approval	(commissioned)			
Application	0	-	0	-	ı	0
Application for	-	0	0		-	-
AP approval						
Application for	-	-	-	0	-	-
AM approval						
Statement	-	-	-	0	-	-
registration						
Statement	-	-	-	-	0	-
approval						
Information	-	-	-	0	-	-
registration ¹						
Information	O ³	0	0	0	0	O ⁴
acquisition ²						

¹List of blackout dates, registration of Issue Master File

² Application information, list of blackout dates, acquisition of Issue Master File

³ In addition to application information submitted using one's own ID, that submitted by another section of the same organization can also be obtained.

⁴ Application information can only be obtained when the application is made directly on CredNex. When an AP applies on behalf of an MM, the MM cannot refer to the application information and can only obtain the list of application deadlines and the issue master.

13. Contact

CredNex, Equities Department, Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.

Email: ask-crednex@jpx.co.jp

*Please include your organization name in the subject line of your email.

Phone: +81-3-3666-0141 (Operator)

Attachments

- $1 \ . \ \ \text{Application Procedures Guide}$
- 2. Status Definitions
- $\boldsymbol{3}$. Sample of Notification Emails
- 4 . Automatic Approval Condition Details
- $\boldsymbol{5}$. List of Validation Checks at the Time of Application