Notification of Dividends from Surplus (term-end dividends)

The following is information on the payment of dividends from our surplus taking March 31, 2018 as the base date. This payment was decided at a meeting of our board of directors held on May 8, 2018. We are planning to bring this decision before the 90th regular meeting of shareholders scheduled to be held on June 21, 2018.

Notification

1. Dividend information

	Determined amount	Last dividend forecast	Results in the previous term
		(Announced November 7, 2017)	(FY2016)
Base date	March 31, 2018	Same as at left	March 31, 2017
Term-end dividend per share	25.00 yen	23.00 yen	22.00 yen
Total dividend	2,148 million yen	1,977 million yen	1,891 million yen
Date of effectuation	June 22, 2018	_	June 23, 2017
Dividend funding source	Earned surplus	_	Earned surplus

2. Reason

We regard the return of profit to our shareholders as one of our key management agenda. Concerning shareholder dividends, we aim for a dividend propensity in the range of 30 - 40 percent. It is our basic policy to achieve a both stable and proper distribution of profit from a long-term perspective, while retaining a level of internal reserves required for strengthening our business foundation and executing growth strategy through investment in items such as production facilities, new business, and research and development.

While promoting the return of profit based on the result indicated in the "FY2017 Financial Statement Summary" disclosed separately today and our dividend policy, we have decided to pay a dividend of 25 yen per share, an increase of 2 yen per share, as a return to our shareholders for their ongoing support.

	Dividend per share		
Base date	End of the second quarter	Term end	Yearly dividend
Result in this term	23.00 yen	$25.00 \mathrm{yen}$	48.00 yen
Result in the previous term (FY2017)	22.00 yen	22.00 yen	44.00 yen

(Reference) Breakdown of the yearly dividend