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Notice Concerning Delay of the Announcement of Business Results for the Fiscal Year Ended July 2023

ARDEPRO Co., Ltd. ("the Company") has made the decision to delay the announcement of business results for the fiscal year ended July 2023, which was previously scheduled for September 14, 2023. The details are as follows.

The Company is truly sorry for the concern this may cause stockholders, investors, and other company stakeholders.

1. Reason for the business results announcement delay

Although the Company carried out preparations ahead of the planned announcement of its business results for the fiscal year ended July 2023 on September 14, 2023, an Outside Investigative Committee was established to investigate doubts as disclosed in the release titled "Notice Concerning Establishment of an Outside Investigative Committee" issued on July 19, 2023, and at present, the Company has not yet received an investigation report from said committee. Since thorough examination and consideration of the content of this report is essential for scrutinizing and confirming the business results for the fiscal year ended July 2023, the Company has made the decision to delay the announcement of these figures.

In addition, the Company is expecting to receive the Outside Investigative Committee's investigation report in late September 2023.

2. Future directions

The business results for the fiscal year ended July 2023 will be announced immediately after the Company has received and carefully examined the investigation report.

Impact on business results

The impact of this delay on business results for the corporate group is currently under investigation. After the Outside Investigative Committee has shared the results of its investigation and the Company has consulted with an auditing corporation, the applicable matters will be promptly disclosed.