DISCO Dividend Payout for Fiscal Year 2023

DISCO Corporation (hereinafter "the Company") hereby announces that a resolution was passed at the Board of Directors meeting held on April 25, 2024 to distribute the surplus earnings as dividends with March 31, 2024 as the record date. Details are provided below.

1. Details of dividend payout

	Resolution details	Previous forecast (announced on January 24, 2024)	Results from previous term (FY2022)
Record date	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Dividends per share	231 yen	179 yen	634 yen *
Total amount of dividends	25,028 million yen	-	22,887 million yen
Effective date	June 24, 2024	-	June 30, 2023
Source of dividends	Earned surplus	-	Earned surplus

2. Reason

In line with the Company's dividend policy, the final dividend consists of 119 yen, representing 25% of the consolidated net income for the second half of the fiscal year, and an additional 112 yen, representing one-third of the balance of cash and deposits in excess of the amount required as of the end of the fiscal year. This brings the total year-end dividend to 231 yen per share. The total dividend for the year is 307 yen, consisting of the interim dividend of 76 yen and the year-end dividend of 231 yen.

This proposal will be made at the 85th Ordinary General Shareholders Meeting to be held on June 21, 2024.

*The Company implemented a stock split in the proportion of 1 share into 3 shares effective as of April 1, 2023. As for the results of the previous year (ending on March 31, 2023), the actual dividend amounts per share before the applicable stock split was implemented are shown above. However, under the assumption that the applicable stock split was implemented at the beginning of the immediately preceding consolidated fiscal year, the dividend amount per share for the previous year (ending on March 31, 2023) will be 211.33 yen for the year-end dividend.

Dividend policy

To clarify the Company's stance on prioritizing shareholder return, the target dividend payout ratio has been set at 25% of the consolidated half-yearly net income under a performance-linked dividend policy.

Irrespective of the level of income, the Company will maintain a stable dividend of 10 yen per half year (minimum 20 yen yearly dividend).

Except when there is a loss, if the year-end balance of cash and deposits after payment of dividends and income taxes is greater than projected funding requirements (such as for the acquisition of technological resources, facility expansion, retirement of interest-bearing debt, etc.), one-third of that surplus will be added to dividends. The 20 yen payout stipulated in the stable dividend policy may be revised if consolidated net losses are observed for three consecutive years.

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