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Announcement Concerning the Payment of Dividends from Retained Earnings

TOKYO, Japan, May 23, 2018 – Hitachi High-Technologies Corporation (TOKYO: 8036) has resolved at a Board of Directors held today to pay dividends to shareholders of record as of March 31, 2018, as detailed below.

1. Details of payment of dividends

	Payment of dividends decided on May 23, 2018	Most recent dividend forecast (Announced on April 24, 2018)	Year-end dividend for FY2016 (Year ended March 31, 2017)
Record date	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2017
Dividend per share (yen)	45.00	45.00	45.00
Total amount of dividends	6,189 million yen	—	6,189 million yen
Effective date	June 1, 2018	—	June 2, 2017
Source of dividend	Retained earnings	—	Retained earnings

2. Reason

The Company's basic policy for allocating profits is to generate appropriate returns for shareholders while enhancing its financial position and management foundations. Specifically, the Company endeavors to pay stable dividends targeting a dividend payout ratio of 30% in consideration of the balance with retained earnings.

Under this policy, take into account the Company's circumstances including financial results for the year, the Company decided to pay a year-end dividend of 45.00 yen per share.

(Reference) Details of payment of annual dividends

Record date	Dividend per share (yen)		
	2nd Quarter	Year-end	Total
Dividend for FY2017 (Year ended March 31, 2018)	40.00	45.00	85.00
Dividend for FY2016 (Year ended March 31, 2017)	35.00	45.00	80.00

For further information

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