

**Notice Concerning Interim Dividend and  
Revision to Projected Year-end Dividend for Year Ending March 2018**

Sumitomo Chemical decided, at the meeting of its Board of Directors held today, to pay the following interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2018, and the Company also revised the projected year-end dividend for the current fiscal year, based on its new consolidated financial forecast for the full year, announced today.

1. Details of interim dividend

	Dividend determined	Previous forecast (Announced on May 16, 2017)	Previous year result (Fiscal 2016)
Record date	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016
Dividend per share	¥10.00	¥7.00	¥7.00
Total amount of dividends	16,351 million yen	—	11,446 million yen
Effective date	December 4, 2017	—	December 5, 2016
Funds for dividends	Retained earnings	—	Retained earnings

2. Revision to Projected Dividend for Fiscal 2017

	Dividend per share		
	Second quarter-end	Fiscal year-end	Total
Previous forecast (Announced on May 16, 2017)	¥7.00	¥7.00	¥14.00
Revised forecast	—	¥10.00	¥20.00
Actual	¥10.00	—	—
Previous year result (Fiscal 2016)	¥7.00	¥7.00	¥14.00

(Reasons for the Revision)

The Company places a high priority on shareholder return and makes it a policy to maintain stable dividend payments, while giving due consideration to its business performance and a dividend payout ratio for each fiscal year and the amount of retained earnings necessary for future growth. The Company aims to maintain a dividend payout ratio of around 30% over the medium to long term.

The Company will use its retained earnings for capital spending, investment and financing to increase the competitiveness of its core businesses and expand its overseas businesses, and thereby seek to enhance its profitability.

Considering the better-than-expected financial results for the first half of the current fiscal year and the revised full-year earnings forecast, both announced today, the Company decided to pay an interim dividend of ¥10 per share, ¥3 higher than the previous estimate, and to revise the projected year-end dividend to ¥10 per share, ¥3 higher than the earlier estimate. As a result, the Company's annual dividend will be ¥20 per share for the year ending in March 2018, up ¥6 from the previous fiscal year.