

May 9, 2018 Sysmex Corporation

Sysmex Announces Changes from Financial Forecasts and Year-End Dividend (Commemorative Dividend) for the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2018

Sysmex Corporation (HQ: Kobe, Japan; Chairman and CEO: Hisashi letsugu) announces certain differences between its financial forecast on November 8, 2017, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018 (April 1, 2017, to March 31, 2018) and the actual results announced today. Furthermore, at a meeting of the Managing Board on May 9, 2018, Sysmex resolved to award dividends from surplus (commemorative dividend) as described below, with a record date of March 31, 2018.

1. Change from Financial Forecasts

(1) Consolidated Financial Results for Fiscal Year from April 1, 2017, to March 31, 2018

(Millions of yen, %)

	(Minions of yen, %)				
	Net sales	Profit	Profit attributable to	Basic earnings	
		income	before tax	owners of the	per share
				parent	(Yen)
Previous forecast (A)	280,000	58,000	58,000	41,500	199.24
Actual results (B)	281,935	59,078	58,117	39,222	188.29
Difference (B–A)	1,935	1,078	117	(2,278)	
Rate of change (%)	0.7	1.9	0.2	(5.5)	_
(Reference)					
Previous fiscal year	249,899	51,701	48,946	40,636	195.31

(2) Reason

Consolidated net sales exceeded our earlier forecasts, due to increased sales in the EMEA and China geographic regions and further yen depreciation than anticipated in our exchange rate assumptions. On the profit front, although we recorded an exchange loss, operating profit and profit before tax outpaced our expectations due to the impact of higher sales and successful efforts to curtail selling, general and administrative expenses. However, profit attributable to owners of the parent was below our earlier forecast due to a higher tax rate, as US tax reforms resulted in a temporary reversal of deferred tax assets.

2. Dividend from Surplus

(1) Dividend

		Previous forecast	Dividends paid in
	Resolution	(announced	the year ended
		November 8, 2017)	March 31, 2017
Record date	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2017
	¥36		
Dividend per share	(Ordinary dividend: ¥30)	¥30	¥30
	(Commemorative dividend: ¥6)		
Total dividends	¥7,506 million	—	¥6,245 million
Effective date	June 25, 2018	_	June 26, 2017
Source of dividends	Retained earnings	_	Retained earnings

(2) Reason

February 20, 2018, marked Sysmex's 50th anniversary of establishment. Reaching this milestone would not have been possible without the backing of our shareholders and related parties, and we are sincerely grateful for this support.

To reward shareholders for this support, at the General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled for June 22, 2018, we intend to propose the payment of an ordinary dividend of ¥30 per share, as scheduled, as well as a commemorative dividend of ¥6 to celebrate our 50th anniversary of establishment, resulting in a total dividend of ¥36 per share.

In addition to the ¥30 interim dividend already paid, the proposed dividend would result in total dividends for the year of ¥66, up ¥6 from the previously forecast ¥60 per share.

	Dividend per share		
	Interim	Year-end	For the year
Previous forecast (November 8, 2017)	¥30	¥30	¥60
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2018	¥30	¥36 (Ordinary dividend: ¥30) (Commemorative dividend: ¥6)	¥66 (Ordinary dividend: ¥60) (Commemorative dividend: ¥6)
Fiscal year ended March 31, 2017	¥28	¥30	¥58

(Reference) Breakdown of Dividends for the Year