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Notice Concerning Distribution of Dividends from Surplus

Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd. (the "Company") hereby announces that it decided, at the meeting of its Board of Directors held on May 20, 2016, to make the following proposal for distribution of dividends from surplus, with a record date of March 31, 2016.

The Company will make this proposal at the 139th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 29, 2016.

1. Details of Dividends

	Amount to be	Most recent dividend	Year-end dividend
	proposed as year-end	forecast (announced	paid for the previous
	dividend	on April 26, 2016)	fiscal year
Record date	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015
Dividend per share	55.00 yen	55.00 yen	50.00 yen
Total amount of	23,428 million yen		21,294 million yen
dividend	25,426 million yen	-	21,294 IIIIIIOII yeli
Effective date	June 30, 2016	-	June 29, 2015
Source of dividends	Retained earnings	-	Retained earnings

2. Basis of the dividend amount

Taking a long-term perspective, the Company will focus on expanding company earnings and strengthening the make-up of the Group's structure as well as on sharing the results of such successful management efforts. It is our basic policy to distribute dividends so as to appropriately reward all of our shareholders.

In line with our basic profit-sharing policy the year-end dividend is scheduled to be ¥55 per share, the same amount as the interim dividend of ¥55 per share. Accordingly, the total annual dividend per share for this fiscal year will be an increase of ¥10 over the annual dividend of the previous fiscal year (¥100) to become ¥110 per share.

(Reference) Details of Dividends for the Fiscal Year

	Dividend per share (yen)		
Record date	Interim period	Year-end	Fiscal year
Dividends for this fiscal year (ended March 31, 2016)	55.00	55.00	110.00
Dividends for the previous fiscal year (ended March 31, 2015)	50.00	50.00	100.00