

News Release

KITZ CORPORATION

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Notice regarding Dividends of Surplus

KITZ Corporation (hereinafter “the Company”), at the Board of Directors meeting held on February 27, 2024, resolved to distribute dividends of surplus with record date of December 31, 2023, as described below.

1. Description of dividends

	Dividend to be distributed	Latest forecast (as of February 13, 2024)	Fiscal year ended December 31, 2022
Record date	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Dividend per share	23.00 yen	23.00 yen	18.00 yen
Total cash dividend	2,072 million yen	-	1,622 million yen
Payable date	March 11, 2024	-	March 13, 2023
Dividend source	Retained earnings	-	Retained earnings

2. Reason

Returning profits to shareholders through cash dividends is one of the highest priorities of the Company. The Company’s stance is to place importance on the consistency and stability of the dividend while taking into account a number of factors. These factors include current results of operations and the need for funds for capital investment, development, M&A, and other activities needed for growth. Another factor is the need to increase retained earnings to provide funds for repaying loans and redeeming bonds.

At present, based on the above-stated considerations, the Company believes that a dividend payout ratio of approximately 35% of net income attributable to owners of the parent is appropriate.

Accordingly, the Company decided to distribute a year-end dividend of 23.00 yen per share for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023. In this case, this amount would bring the total for the year (including an interim dividend of 18.00 yen per share) to 41.00 yen per share, and the resulting consolidated dividend payout ratio would be 34.7%.

Reference: Breakdown of annual dividend

	Dividend per share		
	Interim	Year-end	Total
Fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 (actual)	18.00 yen	23.00 yen	41.00 yen
Fiscal year ended December 31, 2022 (actual)	15.00 yen	18.00 yen	33.00 yen