

Press release

Notice regarding payment of dividends (dividend increase)
from surplus earnings

Tokyo, Japan, April 15, 2014 – Kureha Corporation announced that its board of directors at a meeting held on April 15, 2014 has approved to pay the following dividend to stockholders of record March 31, 2014.

1. Details of dividends

	Amount resolved as year-end dividend for FY2013	Most recent dividend forecast (announced Feb. 5, 2014)	[Reference] Year-end dividend paid for FY2012
Record date	March 31, 2014	March 31, 2014	March 31, 2013
Dividend per share	6 yen	5 yen	5 yen
Total amount of dividends	1,030 million yen	--	858 million yen
Effective date	June 3, 2014	--	June 4, 2013
Source of dividend	Retained earnings	--	Retained earnings

2. Reason for dividend increase

Kureha's basic policy regarding dividend distribution is to pay a steady dividend to shareholders over a long period of time, while strengthening the company's financial structure to sustain long-term growth and future business development.

Kureha is presently operating under its mid-term 'Grow Globally II' business plan, strategically and flexibly adjusting to its volatile business environment in order to achieve sustained growth and enhance corporate value.

Reflecting the company's confidence in this growth strategy, Kureha has decided to increase the dividend and pay 6 yen per share, up 1 yen from the previously-forecasted 5 yen, for the end of the fiscal 2013 period.

[Reference] Details of dividends through the fiscal year

Record date	Dividend per share (yen)		
	End of interim period	End of fiscal period	Total
Dividend paid for FY2013 (ended March 31, 2014)	5 yen	6 yen	11 yen
Dividend paid for FY2012 (ended March 31, 2013)	5 yen	5 yen	10 yen

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