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Notice Regarding Change in Dividend Policy (Introduction of DOE) and Revision to Dividend Forecasts for FY2026

Sumitomo Seika Chemicals Co., Ltd. ("the Company") hereby announces that it has resolved at the Board of Directors meeting held today to change its dividend policy and revise the dividend forecasts for FY2026 as described below.

1. Change in Dividend Policy

(1) Reason for the Change

As announced in the "Outline of its New Medium-Term Business Plan for FY2026 to FY2030" today, the Company has determined its initiatives to improve capital efficiency. Specifically, the Company has set a medium-term target range of 50% to 60% for the equity ratio and will advance disciplined growth investments and further enhance shareholder returns through more efficient use of cash and deposits and through agile financing. Accordingly, the Company has decided to introduce a dividend on equity (DOE) ratio as a new indicator in its dividend policy. Additionally, regarding the purpose of utilizing internal reserves, the Company will specify the items for which focused resource allocation will be made in the new Medium-Term Business Plan.

(2) Details of the Change

(Before the Change)

With respect to dividends from retained earnings, the Company considers "returning profits to shareholders" as one of its priority management issues and makes it a basic policy to determine dividends, after giving due consideration to stable dividend payment and securing of internal reserves to prepare for future business development, based on the dividend payout ratio of 30% or more. The Company will appropriate internal reserves for investment in enhancing production capability that will lead to the Company's improved financial performance and reinforced business foundation, strengthening cost competitiveness, and advancing research and development for products that meet market needs.

(After the Change)

With respect to dividends from retained earnings, the Company considers "returning profits to shareholders" as one of its priority management issues and makes it a basic policy to determine dividends, after giving due consideration to stable dividend payment and securing of internal reserves to prepare for future business development, based in principle on the dividend payout ratio of 30% or more and the dividend on equity (DOE)* ratio of 4.5% or more. The Company will allocate internal reserves to growth investments and strengthening its business foundation.

*A dividend on equity (DOE) ratio is total dividends divided by shareholders' equity at the end of the previous fiscal year. Shareholders' equity at the end of the previous fiscal year refers to the amount obtained by excluding the cumulative other comprehensive income (such as foreign currency translation adjustment, other valuation differences, deferred gains or losses on hedges, and cumulative adjustments related to retirement benefits) from the total net assets at the end of the previous fiscal year.

2. Revision to Dividend Forecasts

Based on the revised dividend policy announced in "1. Change in Dividend Policy," the Company has revised the dividend forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2027, as follows.

	Dividends per share (yen)		
	Second quarter-end	Fiscal-year end	Total
Previous forecast	24.00	24.00	48.00
Revised forecast	35.00	35.00	70.00
Actual results for the previous fiscal year Fiscal year ended March 31, 2026	100.00 (20.00)	120.00 (24.00)	220.00 (44.00)

The Company conducted a five-for-one split of its common stock on April 1, 2026. For the fiscal year ended March 2026, the actual amounts of dividends before the stock split are stated. (The amounts of dividends calculated assuming the stock split was conducted at the beginning of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2026 are shown in parentheses.)