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OMRON Announces Fiscal 2018 Interim Dividend, Full-Year Total Dividend Forecast and Year-End Dividend Forecast

KYOTO, Japan – The Board of Directors of OMRON Corporation (TOKYO: 6645; ADR: OMRNY) today approved the interim dividend, a revision of the planned full-year total dividend and year-end dividend forecast for fiscal 2018 (ending March 31, 2019).

1. Details of Interim Dividend

	FY2018 interim dividend (Decided on Oct. 30, 2018)	Previous forecast (Announced on April 26, 2018)	FY2017 interim dividend (Actual)
Dividend record date	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017
Dividend per share	42.00 yen	-	38.00 yen
Total dividends	8,805 million yen	-	8,109 million yen
Effective date	December 4, 2018	-	December 4, 2017
Source of dividends	Retained earnings	-	Retained earnings

2. Details of Dividend Forecast

Term	Dividend per share		
	Interim	Year-end	Full-year total
Previous forecast (Announced on April 26, 2018)	-	-	92.00 yen
Revised forecast	-	42.00 yen	84.00 yen
Fiscal 2018 actual (ended March 31, 2019)	42.00 yen	-	-
Fiscal 2017 actual (ended March 31, 2018)	38.00 yen	38.00 yen	76.00 yen

3. Reason for revision of interim dividend, full-year total dividend forecast and year-end dividend forecast

Under OMRON's shareholder return policy, the company aims for sustainable corporate value growth, prioritizing investments necessary for future business expansion. These investments include research and development, capital investments, mergers and acquisitions, and other investments for future growth. After ensuring internal reserves, the company strives for stable and sustained shareholder return while taking capital efficiency into account. The policy also states that the company has established a guideline of approximately 30% in payout ratio and approximately 3% of DOE for profit distributions for the fiscal years covered by our medium-term management plan, VG2.0.

Based on the preceding policies and earnings forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 2019, the company has decreased the dividend forecast for the fiscal year ending March 2019 from 92 yen (previous forecast) to 84 yen, representing 8-yen increase over the prior fiscal year. The company forecasts interim and year-end dividends of 42 yen, each representing half of the full-year dividend forecast above. Each dividend payment represents 4-yen increase over the corresponding periods in the prior fiscal year.