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## NIHON KOHDEN CORPORATION (6849)

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# Nihon Kohden announces Dividends of Surplus

Nihon Kohden today announced its Board of Directors passed a resolution to distribute dividends of surplus with record date of March 31, 2014. This will be proposed at the 63<sup>th</sup> general shareholders' meeting to be held on June 26, 2014.

#### 1. Details of Dividends

	Dividends for FY2013, ended March 31, 2014	Most recent dividend forecast (announced on May 8, 2013)	Dividends for FY2012, ended March 31, 2013
Record date	March 31, 2014	March 31, 2014	March 31, 2013
Dividends per share	¥40	¥30	¥30
Total amount of dividends	¥1,757 million	—	¥1,317 million
Effective date	June 27, 2014	_	June 27, 2013
Source of dividends	Retained earnings	—	Retained earnings

### 2. Reason

The Company considers the return of earnings to shareholders as one of the most important management issues. The Company's basic dividend policy is to continue a stable dividend for a long term as well as increase retained earnings for the enhancement of business structure and future business expansion. The rough guideline of payout ratio is 30% on consolidated basis. The Company will continue to enhance shareholder return.

As the Company recorded robust results of FY2013, it decided to pay a dividend of 40 yen per share which increased by 10 yen per share compared to the recent dividend forecast. As a result, the full-year dividend will be 70 yen per share with the interim dividend of 30 yen per share.

#### [Reference: Details of Dividends Through the Fiscal Year]

	Dividends per share		
Record date	Interim	Year-end	Full-year
Dividends for FY2013	¥30	¥40	¥70
Dividends for FY2012	¥22	¥30	¥52