

ADVANTEST CORPORATION

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Notice Regarding Interim Dividend and Year-end Dividend Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2019

Tokyo – October 30, 2018 – Advantest Corporation hereby announces that the Board of Directors today resolved to make the interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019 as follows:

1. Details of the Dividend

	Interim dividend for FY2018	Previous forecast (announced on July 25, 2018)	Interim dividend for FY2017 (Actual)
Record date	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017
Dividend per share	50.00 yen	—	9.00 yen
Total amount of dividend	9,702 million yen	—	1,597 million yen
Effective date	December 3, 2018	—	December 1, 2017
Source of dividend	Retained earnings	—	Retained earnings

2. Reasons for Determination of Interim Dividend Amount

Advantest makes dividend payouts based on semi-annual business performance with a target semi-annual payout ratio of 30%. Based on the consolidated financial result for the first half of fiscal year ending March 31, 2019 announced today, Advantest resolved to make the interim dividend of 50.00 yen per share.

3. Forecast of Dividends for the Fiscal Year

Record date	Dividend per share		
	Interim	Year-end	Annual total
Previous forecast (announced on July 25, 2018)	—	—	—
Current forecast (announced on October 30, 2018)	—	25.00 yen	75.00 yen
FY2018 actual	50.00 yen	—	—
FY2017 actual	9.00 yen	23.00 yen	32.00 yen

Advantest will expect the year-end dividend forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019 to be 25.00 yen per share (annual total 75.00 yen per share) based on semi-annual business performance with a target semi-annual payout ratio of 30%. In addition, the calculation of the year-end dividend is based on the consolidated earnings forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019 announced today.

Cautionary Statement with Respect to Forward-Looking Statements

This document contains “forward-looking statements” that are based on Advantest’s current expectations, estimates and projections. These statements include, among other things, the discussion of Advantest’s business strategy, outlook and expectations as to market and business developments, production and capacity plans. Generally, these forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “project,” “should” and similar expressions. Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause Advantest’s actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements.

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