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SMS Co., Ltd.

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### **Notice Regarding Revision to Dividend Forecast**

SMS Co., Ltd. (the “Company”) hereby announces that, on January 31, 2025, its Board of Directors has resolved to amend the dividend forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 (the “Fiscal 2024”), as follows.

#### 1. Reason for Revision of Forecast

The Company’s basic policy for profit distribution is to pay dividends in line with business results for each fiscal year, with a target consolidated dividend payout ratio of 30%, while prioritizing growth investment and considering the financial conditions. (However, this does not apply in the event of major investment opportunities such as M&A.)

Based on this policy, the Company has decided to return profits to shareholders in the form of dividend for this fiscal year.

As announced in the “Notice Regarding Revisions to Financial Results Forecast” released today (January 31, 2025), although we have decided to revise the financial results forecast downward, we have decided to revise the dividend forecast for the Fiscal 2024 to 28.5 yen (increased by 8.5 yen compared with the previous fiscal year) , which is equivalent to a consolidated dividend payout ratio of 30.4% based on the net income per share of 93.85 yen in the consolidated financial results forecast before the revision, and is equivalent to a consolidated dividend payout ratio of 40.2% based on the net income per share of 70.81 yen in the consolidated financial results forecast after the revision.

## 2. Details of Dividend Revision

	Dividend per share (JPY)				
	End of Q1	End of Q2	End of Q3	Year-End	Total
Previous forecast	-	-	-	-	-
Revised forecast	-	-	-	28.50	28.50
Paid to date	-	0.00	-		
Actual dividend for Fiscal 2023	-	0.00	-	20.00	20.00

### Reference: Total payout ratio

The Company implements share repurchases flexibly, according to financial conditions and share price levels, and during the current fiscal year, it repurchased shares totaling 3,915,046,700 yen. Due to the revision of the dividend forecast and the share repurchases, the total payout ratio for the current fiscal year is expected to be 105.0%.