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Notice Concerning Dividends of Surplus

ARE Holdings, Inc. (the “Company”) hereby announces that the Company has resolved today, in a written resolution in lieu of resolution of its Board of Directors based on the provisions of Article 370 of the Companies Act and the Company’s Articles of Incorporation, to pay year-end dividends of surplus with a record date of March 31, 2024.

The details are as follows:

1. Details of dividend

	Determined amount	Most recent dividend forecast (Announced on April 27, 2023)	Actual results for the previous fiscal year (Fiscal year ended March 31, 2023)
Record date	March 31, 2024	Same as on the left	March 31, 2023
Dividend per share	¥45.00	Same as on the left	¥45.00
Total amount of dividends	¥3,506 million	–	¥3,493 million
Effective date	June 4, 2024	–	June 5, 2023
Source of dividends	Retained earnings	–	Retained earnings

2. Reason

The Company considers improving corporate value by maintaining stable profitability and sustainable growth as well as meeting the expectations of shareholders through a return of profits to be critical tasks of management. The policy to determine the distribution of surplus is to maintain a dividend payout ratio of approximately 40%, while retaining sufficient internal reserves for capital investment and M&A for future growth.

Based on the above policy, the Company determined to pay 45 yen for year-end dividends of surplus with a record date of March 31, 2024 in accordance with the most recent dividend forecast.

(Ref.) The breakdown of dividends is as follows:

Record date	Dividend per share (Yen)		
	Second quarter-end	Fiscal-year end	Total
Actual results for the current fiscal year (Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024)	¥45.00	¥45.00	¥90.00
Actual results for the previous fiscal year (Fiscal year ended March 31, 2023)	¥45.00	¥45.00	¥90.00

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