

Announcement of the Year-end Dividends

May 10, 2011, Osaka, Japan--- Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (hereafter "Santen") announced that its Board of Directors today approved the year-end dividends per-share for the fiscal year 2010, which ended March 31, 2011 as below.

Santen views that returning profits to shareholders has been one of the important management goals. The company seeks to return profits commensurate with performance, while enhancing its corporate values, we will focus on increasing capital efficiency and securing internal reserves to fund R&D investments and implementation of growth strategies.

Taking into the account of the current status of shareholders' equity and financial performance for the fiscal year 2010, Santen will propose the year end dividend of the fiscal year 2010, of ¥50 per share; at its 99th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (AGM) which will be held on June 22, 2011. The revised year-end dividend forecast of ¥50 will be an increase of ¥10 per share over the former forecast, making the annual total dividend to ¥90 per share.

In the 2006-2010 Medium-term Management Plan which ended in March, 2011, Santen had targeted to achieve a minimum dividend on equity (DOE) ratio of 5.0%. DOE is an indicator used to measure stock issuer's dividend pay-out level against its shareholders equity. Pending the approval at the AGM, DOE ratio of the fiscal year 2010 will be 5.3%.

	Interim dividends	Year-end dividends	Annual dividends
Previous forecast as of February 8, 2011	-	40 yen	80 yen
Proposed dividend	-	50 yen	90 yen
Reference: Cash dividends for the year ended March 31, 2010	40 yen	40 yen	80 yen

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