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Notice regarding Issuance of Dividends by Subsidiary

The Company today announced that its consolidated subsidiary, Bridgestone Americas, Inc., will issue dividend payments and the Company will record non-operating income on a non-consolidated basis. Details are as follows.

- 1. Overview of Dividend Payments
 - (1) Amount of dividend payments: ¥62.0 billion
 - (2) Decision date: March 16, 2017

2. Impact on Operating Results

The Company will record dividend income of ¥62.0 billion as non-operating income on its non-consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. However, as these dividends will be received from a consolidated subsidiary, there will be no impact on consolidated operating results.

About Bridgestone Corporation:

Bridgestone Corporation, headquartered in Tokyo, is the world's largest tire and rubber company. In addition to tires for use in a wide variety of applications, it also manufactures a broad range of diversified products, which include industrial rubber and chemical products and sporting goods. Its products are sold in over 150 nations and territories around the world.