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Revision of Consolidated Results Forecast for Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2021,  
 Payment of Dividends from Surplus (Interim Dividends) and Revision of Year-End Dividend  
 Forecast

Brother Industries, Ltd. (the “Company”) announced today that at a Board of Directors meeting held on November 9, 2020, the Company resolved to revise the consolidated results forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021 (April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021) announced on August 4, 2020 as described below in light of recent trends in business performance and other factors. The Company also announced that it resolved to pay dividends from surplus earnings (interim dividends) with the record date of September 30, 2020 and revise its year-end dividend forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021.

1. Revision of consolidated results forecast

(1) Revision of consolidated results forecast for the current fiscal year (April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021)

(Billions of yen)

	Revenue	Operating profit	Profit before income taxes	Profit for the period	Profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent company	Basic earnings per share for the period (JPY)
Previous forecast (A)	560.0	31.0	31.0	25.0	25.0	96.21
Revised forecast (B)	600.0	53.5	53.0	40.0	40.0	153.93
Change (B-A)	40.0	22.5	22.0	15.0	15.0	—
Change (%)	7.1%	72.6%	71.0%	60.0%	60.0%	—
(Reference) Results for fiscal year ended March 31, 2020	637.3	67.3	67.0	49.7	49.6	190.80

(2) Reasons for the revision

The Company will revise its consolidated results forecast for the current fiscal year as both sales and profit for the second half are now expected to exceed the previous forecasts due to decrease in SG&A throughout the year as well as higher than expected performance mainly in the P&S and P&H businesses in the second quarter.

2. Payment of dividends from surplus (interim dividends) and revision of the year-end dividend forecast

(1) Details of payment of dividends from surplus (interim dividends)

	Amount decided	Most recent dividend forecast (announced on August 4, 2020)	Dividends paid in the previous fiscal year (interim dividends for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2020)
Record date	September 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	September 30, 2019
Dividend per share	27 yen	17 yen	30 yen
Total dividends	7,025 million yen		7,803 million yen
Effective date	November 30, 2020		November 29, 2019
Source of dividends	Retained earnings		Retained earnings

(2) Details of revision of the year-end dividend forecast

(JPY)

	Dividend per share		
	Interim	Year-end	Annual
Previous forecast (announced on August 4)	17	17	34
Revised forecast		27	54
Dividends paid in the current fiscal year	27		
Dividends paid in the previous fiscal year (ended March 31, 2020)	30	30	60

(3) Reasons for the revision

The Company's basic policy is to provide stable shareholder returns while taking into consideration maintaining internal reserves needed for investment in future growth, the status of cash flows, and other factors.

Under CS B2021, the Company's medium-term business strategy which ends in FY2021, the Company aims to make investments to build the foundations for future growth while providing stable shareholder returns with a target consolidated payout ratio of 35%. In addition, the Company has also set a minimum annual dividend of 60 yen per share, except during periods when financial results decline substantially as a result of rapid deterioration in the business environment.

Although the business environment surrounding the Company is improving faster than was initially forecast, it is expected to remain uncertain, given the prolonged impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Following upward revisions to consolidated results forecast for the current fiscal year, the Company will revise its per-share dividend forecast for the current fiscal year from the previous forecast announced on August 4, 2020. The Company has decided to set the dividend at the end of the first half of the current fiscal year at 27 yen per share, compared with the previous forecast of 17 yen, while revising its year-end dividend forecast to 27 yen per share, compared to the previous forecast of 17 yen. As a result, the annual dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021 will be 54 yen per share, compared to the previous forecast of 34 yen, with the consolidated dividend ratio standing at 35%.