Sony Corporation Announces the Expected Recording of Gains Resulting from the Listing of SRE Holdings Corporation Shares and the Sale of Shares Held by Sony Corporation

Sony Corporation (“Sony”) today announced that SRE Holdings Corporation (“SRE”), which was a consolidated subsidiary of Sony, became a publicly listed company on the Tokyo Stock Exchange Mothers market on December 19, 2019 (the “Listing”). The Listing was previously announced in the press release entitled “Approval of Listing of SRE Holdings Corporation Shares and Sale of Shares Held by Sony Corporation” dated November 14, 2019.

Upon the Listing, Sony sold a portion of the shares of SRE common stock held by Sony (the “Sale”). Sony’s ownership of SRE’s total shares, which was 56.29% before the Listing and the Sale, has decreased to 44.47% upon the Listing and the Sale. As a result, SRE became an affiliate accounted for under the equity method of Sony.

As a result of the Listing and the Sale, Sony expects to record a total of approximately 18 billion yen as operating profit in the third quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020, reflecting a remeasurement gain based on fair value for the shares Sony continues to hold after the Sale, and a realized gain for the shares sold in the Sale.

Sony continues to assess the impact of these expected gains and other factors on its forecast for consolidated financial results for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020, which it plans to announce on February 4, 2020, at the earnings announcement for the third quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020.

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