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Announcement Concerning Adoption of IFRS and Changes in Fiscal Year-End of Overseas Consolidated Subsidiaries

ESPEC CORP. today convened a meeting of its Board of Directors at which it passed two resolutions. The first resolution concerns the adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (hereinafter "IFRS") in place of Japanese GAAP, which has been used to date, for the purposes of improving the international comparability of financial information in capital markets and unifying the accounting standards of the ESPEC Group. The second resolution concerns a change in the fiscal year-end of some overseas consolidated subsidiaries to a closing date shared by all subsidiaries, for the purposes of preparing for the adoption of IFRS and promoting prompt unified management across the Group. Details are provided below.

1. Planned disclosure schedule for adopting IFRS

| Planned date of announcement | Document to be announced | Content to be announced | Applicable accounting standard |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| May 2020 | Fiscal 2019 ending March 31, 2020 | Fiscal 2019 ending March 31, 2020 | Japanese GAAP |
| | Summary of Financial Results | Consolidated financial results | |
| | | Fiscal 2020 ending March 31, 2021 | IFRS |
| | | Consolidated financial forecasts | |
| June 2020 | Fiscal 2019 ending March 31, 2020 | Consolidated financial results | Japanese GAAP |
| | Annual Securities Report | | |
| August 2020 | Fiscal 2020 ending March 31, 2021 (First quarter) | Consolidated financial results | IFRS |
| | Summary of Financial Results for the First Quarter | | |
| | Fiscal 2020 ending March 31, 2021 (First quarter) | Consolidated financial results | IFRS |
| | Quarterly Report | | |

^{*} ESPEC plans to announce the impact of the change to IFRS in the consolidated financial forecasts of the Summary of Financial Results scheduled to be announced in May 2020.

- 2. Making all overseas consolidated subsidiaries share the same fiscal year-end
 - (1) Details of change in fiscal year-end Before change: December 31 every year After change: March 31 every year
 - * As hitherto, the fiscal year-end will be December 31 up to December 31, 2018; ESPEC then plans to make some overseas consolidated subsidiaries share the same fiscal year-end of March 31, 2019.
 - (2) Names of overseas consolidated subsidiaries that will change their fiscal year-end

| ESPEC NORTH AMERICA, INC. | U.S. |
|--|---------------------|
| SHANGHAI ESPEC ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIPMENT CORP. | *China |
| ESPEC ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIPMENT (SHANGHAI) CO., LTD. | * China |
| ESPEC TEST TECHNOLOGY (SHANGHAI) CO., LTD. | * China |
| ESPEC TEST EQUIPMENT (GUANGDONG) CO., LTD. | * China |
| ESPEC (CHINA) LIMITED | * China (Hong Kong) |
| ESPEC KOREA CORP. | Korea |

^{*} For overseas consolidated subsidiaries in China, ESPEC plans to carry out a provisional financial closing with March 31 as the record date without changing from the current fiscal year-end of December 31.

(3) Outlook

Regarding the impact on business results for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019, there will be no impact in the first half. For the full fiscal year, ESPEC will carry out the financial closing of overseas consolidated subsidiaries for a 15-month period (hitherto a 12-month period), as follows.

Consolidated full-year financial forecasts for fiscal 2018 ending March 31, 2019 (April 1, 2018-March 31, 2019)

| | Net Sales | Operating | Ordinary Income | Profit attributable |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| | | Income | | to owners of |
| | | | | parent |
| Current (A) | Million yen | Million yen | Million yen | Million yen |
| Overseas consolidated | 48,000 | 4,800 | 4,900 | 3,550 |
| subsidiaries (15-month period) | | | | |
| Before change (B) | 45,500 | 4,700 | 4,800 | 3,500 |
| Overseas consolidated | | | | |
| subsidiaries (12-month period) | | | | |
| Increase/decrease (A-B) | 2,500 | 100 | 100 | 50 |
| Impact of change in fiscal | | | | |
| year-end on overseas | | | | |
| consolidated subsidiaries | | | | |