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Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd.

**Recognized by RobecoSAM for Excellence in Sustainability  
Performance****“Bronze Class” in the Homebuilding Industry Category for Second  
Consecutive Year**

Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. announced it has been selected for the “Bronze Class” distinction under RobecoSAM’s sustainability grading system for the second consecutive year. RobecoSAM is a world leading assessor of socially responsible investments (SRI) that recognizes companies for their excellence in sustainability performance.

RobecoSAM assessed the economic, environmental and social activities of about 3,400 leading companies in the world. It selects the top 15% of companies in 60 industries for their excellence in sustainability, and publishes them The Sustainability Yearbook 2017. Those companies whose performance is particularly excellent receive “Gold Class”, “Silver Class”, or “Bronze Class” distinctions.

Fifty-three Japanese companies were selected in 2017 for their excellence in sustainability performance, of which 25 companies received class distinctions. Sumitomo Forestry has been continuously selected for a class distinction in the Homebuilding Industry category since 2012.

For more than 320 years since its founding, the Sumitomo Forestry Group has been using wood—a renewable natural resource—as it expands globally into a wide range of housing- and lifestyle-related businesses. With a goal of achieving a sustainable society, the Group will continue to contribute to creating solutions to social issues through its business operations, as it strives for the development of local communities and improvement of its corporate value.

