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Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd.

**Selected for Inclusion in DJSI Asia Pacific,
a Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) Stock Price Index**

Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. (President and Representative Director: Akira Ichikawa; Head Office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) announced it was selected for inclusion in the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index (DJSI Asia Pacific), which is a socially responsible investment (SRI)^{*1} stock price index that is highly regarded globally. The company was also ranked as Industry Leader in the Home Construction Sector in light of the high evaluations it has earned from the market. This is the ninth consecutive year Sumitomo Forestry made the DJSI, since being first included in 2005.

The DJSI is a stock index jointly developed by the Dow Jones & Company, Inc.^{*2} of the US and RobecoSAM, a Swiss company dedicated to research in the field of SRI. The index is based on an analysis of the sustainability of the world's leading companies taking into account economic, environmental and social criteria.

DJSI Asia Pacific tracks the performance of around 600 major companies in the Asia-Oceania region, of which 152 companies (68 being Japanese companies) were included into the index in 2013.

Sumitomo Forestry is also a component of the FTSE4Good Global Index, which was designed by FTSE, and of the MS-SRI, which is a Morningstar index.

During over 320 years since its founding, Sumitomo Forestry has been utilizing timber, a renewable natural resource. The corporate policy of Sumitomo Forestry Group, which carries out its comprehensive housing and wood products businesses worldwide, is to achieve a sustainable society by contributing to the development of solutions for social issues in environmental, social, and economic fields through its business operations. In accordance with this, the group aims to grow along with local communities and to improve its corporate value.

*1. An equity investment method that factors in the evaluation of a company's social responsibilities, including environmental and social contribution activities, in addition to a financial analysis.

*2. A publishing company that issues publications such as US financial newspaper the Wall Street Journal. Also known for the Dow Jones Industrial Average, which is widely used index comprised of stocks from the New York Stock Exchange.