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Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd.

**Selected for listing on the CDP 2013 CDLI
as the top scoring Japanese company**

Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. (President and Representative Director: Akira Ichikawa; Head office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) announced that it was recognized as a leading company in the disclosure of climate change for the first time, having received a high evaluation by the CDP^{*1} for these activities.

The CDP conducts an annual analysis of climate change information disclosure at 500 major Japanese companies (hereinafter referred to as the Japan 500), based on the FTSE Japan Index^{*2}. Evaluations are reported based on the content of the responses received from the surveyed companies.

Sumitomo Forestry was listed in the Climate Disclosure Leadership Index (CDLI), having received the highest score of 99 in the 2013 survey for its excellent information disclosure on greenhouse gas emission calculation and target management, climate change strategy, and risk management. The total possible disclosure score is 100 points. 24 companies, scoring 95 points or higher, made it to the CDLI this year.

The 2013 CDP Japan Report was held at United Nations University the U Thant International Conference Hall (Shibuya-ku, Tokyo) on November 6, 2013. Tatsuru Satoh, director and managing executive officer (in charge of environmental management), took the podium as a representative of a constituent for the CDLI. Sato made the following comments: Sumitomo Forestry's businesses maintain close connections with the natural environment, as nearly all of its operations use wood as a material. The company is pouring its energies into the pursuit of new possibilities for the use of wood, including Mocca (wood-use integration) Project, which promotes the use of timber and wood building materials in non-residential structures, and biomass power generation. These businesses will lead to an improvement in energy issues and a reduction in CO₂ emissions, and will tie into measures to deal with climate change. This commendation will accelerate and enhance initiatives for combating global environmental issues, including climate change problems.

Sumitomo Forestry Group will continue to tackle the maintenance and improvement of the environment through operations based on its Corporate Philosophy—Sumitomo Forestry Group utilizes timber as a renewable, healthy, and environmentally friendly natural resource, and contributes to a prosperous society through all types of housing-related services.

***1 CDP (formerly the Carbon Disclosure Project)**

The CDP is an international, non-profit organization that provides the only global system to measure, disclose, manage and share crucial environment information from companies and cities. The

organization, working with the market economy, which includes 722 institutional investors with US\$87 trillion in assets, is encouraging companies to disclose impacts on the environment and natural resources, and to adopt measures to alleviate those impacts. The CDP possesses the largest collection of primary information on climate change, water, and forest risk commodity products and utilizes this knowledge for strategic business, investment and policy decisions.

Website: www.cdproject.net

***2 FTSE Japan Index**

The Japanese version of the global equity index that is highly trusted worldwide. It is provided by FTSE, which develops indices and is wholly-owned by the London Stock Exchange.