



As a variety of environmental issues, such as climate change-induced extreme weather, are being actualized in the global environment, efforts to create a sustainable society are progressing on a global scale.

Aside from adoption of the Paris Agreement in 2015, a historic accord that creates a framework related to cutting greenhouse gas emissions, the United Nations also adopted the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These are the expression of the determination of the international community to recognize and work together to address these urgent issues facing mankind that are caused mainly by economic activities.

Contribution to society and the global environment through their businesses is an important theme that enterprises cannot avoid for targeting sustainable growth.

The Sumitomo Forestry Group's business originated from commencement of the Besshi Copper Mine and management of the surrounding forests in 1691. Furthermore, in 1894, we launched the Large-Scale Reforestation Plan to restore forests that had been devastated.

Trees are a resource that can be renewed through a cycle of planting, growing, and harvesting them. Forests also provide a variety of functional public benefits, such as the absorption and fixation of atmospheric carbon dioxide, preservation of biodiversity, support for water resources, and promoting the preservation of soil.

Since the Group's founding, we have expanded our business while protecting forests and taking care of the natural environment. And, we will pass along the corporate DNA that we have inherited through the Large-Scale Reforestation Plan to the next generation enduringly.

We are globally promoting business cycles that involve accelerating the utilization of timber, revitalizing the forestry business, and programs that expand healthy forests. Maximizing the power of trees and demonstrating the sustainability of wood by stepping up our initiatives is our social mission.

We will continue to challenge ourselves to contribute to sustainable growth and the realization of a sustainable society with a strong commitment to our mission.

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