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Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd.

**Sumitomo Forestry's MOCCA Department Receives  
Construction Order for Wood-frame Child-care Facility**  
—Fostering Promotion of Wooden Construction and Use of Timber  
in Non-residential Building—

Sumitomo Forestry Co., Ltd. (President and Representative Director: Akira Ichikawa; Head Office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) announced today that it has received a construction order for a child-care facility to be built from wood. The facility is planned for Kimitsu City, Chiba Prefecture.

Seikatsu Club Social Welfare Corporation (Chairman: Toru Ikeda) is expected to take charge of operating the facility, which has been designated as a Chiba Prefectural Child-care Facility Development Project. Sumitomo Forestry won the construction contract in an open bid.

A unique feature of this project is the plan to construct six small/medium-sized buildings, rather than one large building, so that the children can enjoy a homey lifestyle from day to day.

Construction Project Outline

Building owner:	Seikatsu Club Social Welfare Corporation
Purpose:	Child-care facility
Location:	Kimitsu City, Chiba Prefecture
Construction:	Six, two-floor wooden post-and-beam buildings
Total floor area:	1,360.92m <sup>2</sup>
Completion date:	July 2013

MOCCA (wood use integration) Department was established in 2011 with the goal of promoting wooden construction and use of timber. Thus far the department has handled the construction of a privately-operated care facility for the elderly, which was the first wooden, fire-resistant, three-story building of its kind in Tokyo's 23 wards, and also provided support for urban reconstruction in Higashimatsushima City, Miyagi Prefecture, with a focus on the use of sustainable timber resources.

In constructing the buildings for the facility, wood materials will be used in anticipation of the positive benefits to the emotions and health of children during their growth years. Sumitomo Forestry plans to contribute to the healthy development of these children by using wooden interiors, which should have a calming effect.