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Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

<u>Syndicated Sustainability Linked Loan for Nippon Sheet Glass Company, Limited,</u> with the formulation of the "Sustainability Linked Loan Framework"

Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation ("SMBC", President and CEO: Akihiro Fukutome) supported Nippon Sheet Glass Company, Limited, (President and CEO: Munehiro Hosonuma) in formulating the "Sustainability Linked Loan Framework" ("This framework"), and arranged this syndicated sustainability linked loan ("This loan") under this framework.

The objective of sustainability linked loans is to promote and support environmentally and socially beneficial economic activities and growth by linking corporate loan terms with a client's performance against sustainability performance targets ("SPTs") consistent with a client's sustainability strategy.

Nippon Sheet Glass Group ("NSG Group") operates globally in three business segments: architectural glass, automotive glass, and high-performance glass. As one of the world's largest glass manufacturers, NSG Group has major manufacturing facilities in Japan, Europe, North America, South America, and Asia, and sells its products in more than 100 countries around the world. NSG Group aims to realize a society capable of sustainable growth by quickly and appropriately providing value and services that go beyond conventional glass to meet the diverse needs of our customers and society.

NSG Group has positioned efforts to address climate change and other environmental issues as one of its top priorities, and is actively working to reduce CO2 emissions from its manufacturing processes and shift to renewable energy. NSG Group's greenhouse gas emission reduction targets are the first in Japan's glass manufacturing industry to be recognized as "science-based targets" by the SBT Initiative (*1). This loan sets SPTs based on this recognition, and as an incentive to achieve these SPTs, the interest rate terms are linked to the degree to which the SPTs are achieved.

SMBC received a second party opinion from Rating and Investment Information, Inc. ("R&I") for this Loan for its alignment with the "Sustainability Linked Loan Principles" (revised in February 2023) published by Loan Market Association (LMA), Loan Syndications and Trading Association (LSTA) and Asia Pacific Loan Market Association (APLMA), as well as the validity of the SPTs performance figures.

[Transaction Summary]	
The borrower	Nippon Sheet Glass Company, Limited
Amount	16.3 billion yen
Period	3 years,4 years (By Tranche)
Sign Day	September 27, 2023
Arranger	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
Lender	Syndicate Group organized by the arranger
Sustainability Coordinator (*2)	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
SPTs	SPT-1:
	Reduce CO2 emissions from Scope 1 and 2 by 24.0% from 2021
	levels by 2030.
	SPT-2:
	Achieve 85% of all electricity consumed in business activities that
	is derived from renewable energy sources by 2030

(*1)

SBT Initiative (Science Based Targets Initiative): A joint initiative of the CDP (formerly the Carbon Disclosure Project), the United Nations Global Compact, the World Resources Institute (WRI), and the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), which encourages companies to set greenhouse gas reduction targets consistent with scientific findings in order to reduce climate change risks.

(*2)

Sustainability Coordinator: An entity whose role is to provide facilitation and support to the borrower to formulate a sustainability linked loan, including setting the SPTs.

(Reference)

Nippon Sheet Glass Company, Limited website https://www.nsg.com/en/

Rating and Investment Information, Inc.(R&I) website

https://www.r-i.co.jp/rating/esg/sustainabilityfinance/index.html

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