Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

## **Issuance of Green Bonds**

Tokyo, October 15, 2015 – Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (President and CEO: Takeshi Kunibe) hereby announces that it determined the issuance of green bonds as of October 14, 2015.

Green bonds are notes that limit the usage of net proceeds to the financing of projects with environmental benefits such as solar power generation. These days, investors are more focused on companies that contribute positively to both the environment and society due to the recent global trend of "socially responsible investing." Through this issuance of green bonds, we expect to obtain funding from investors with a strong interest in the environment and society in order to finance environment-related businesses where further growth is expected.

We identify Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) as the foundation of our business strategy, with a particular focus on "Environment", "Next Generation" and "Community" as core components of our CSR activities. As for the core component "Environment", we have been engaged in environmental businesses such as our Environmental Assessment Loan Program and project finance deals including renewable energy projects across the globe.

Through the issuance of green bonds, we aim to further contribute to the sustainability and improvement of the global environment through our core business of banking.

Issuer : Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

Currency : US\$

Issue Amount : US\$ 500mn

Issue Date : October 20, 2015 (Pricing: October 14, 2015)

Maturity : 5 years

Use of proceeds : To finance projects, in whole or in part, that promote

renewable energy, energy efficiency and resource productivity.

Coupon : 2.45%

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