

## 【NEWS RELEASE】

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Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

Launch of Cross-Border Syndicated Loans (Green Loans)

TOKYO, April 16, 2020 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (“SMBC”, President and Group CEO: Makoto Takashima) announces it has commenced the launch of cross-border syndicated loans (green loans) to overseas customers based on Green Loan Principles published by the Loan market Association ( “ LMA ” ) ( 1 ) to support its customer’s ESG ( 2 ) /SDGs ( 3 ) related activities.

The first cross-border syndicated loan (green loan) was extended to Macquarie Group Limited (CEO: Shemara Wikramanayake) and closed on April 9, 2020. It is the first green loan arranged for an overseas financial institution from the Japanese market based on the principals established by the LMA.

The cross-border syndicated loans (Green loans) are loans based on the Green Loan Principles published by the LMA and which meet the green loan requirements ( 4 ) for the customer’s green finance framework, confirmed by SMBC.

As announced on April 13, 2020, SMBC Group including SMBC has established “SMBC Group GREEN × GLOBE 2030”, a ten-year plan that extends to 2030 based on the Sustainability Statement. Particularly, in order to take actions in solving environmental issues, a target of JPY 10 trillion has been set for Green Finance to be achieved by the end of FY2029.

Based on the Sustainability Statement, SMBC will engage and act together with customers and other stakeholders to contribute to the global transformation into a better society.

## ( 1 ) LMA

Headquartered in London, LMA was established in 1996 to promote the expansion of the loan market in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. LMA has established and published the Green Loan Principles and approximately 750 financial institutions from more than 65 countries are members, including SMBC.

## ( 2 ) ESG

ESG stands for Environment, Social, and Governance. Each of these aspects is considered to be an important issue that requires consideration and responsibility when conducting business activities.

( 3 ) SDGs

SDGs is an abbreviation for Sustainable Development Goals. 17 goals of Agenda 2030, a global action plan to 2030, were adopted by 193 UN member states at the UN General Assembly in September 2015. The 17 goals and 169 targets are for all countries and regions, not only emerging but also developed ones, to realize by 2030 a world where no one will be left behind with regards to issues such as poverty, equality, education, and the environment.

( 4 ) SMBC's Green Loan Requirements

The following are the requirements for green loans.

(1) Comply with the four core required components described in the "Green Principles" and published by the LMA.

- Use of proceeds
- Project evaluation and selection
- Management of proceeds
- Reporting

(2) Evaluation has been obtained from an external evaluation organization.

<Reference: Transaction Overview>

Borrower: Macquarie Group Limited

Contract Signing Date: March 30, 2020

Closing Date: April 9, 2020

Syndicate Lenders:

The Nanto Bank, Ltd., The Hyakugo Bank, Ltd., The Bank of Yokohama, Ltd., SMBC

