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Included on Dow Jones Sustainability Asia/Pacific Index (DJSI Asia Pacific) for Six Straight Year

Mitsui Chemicals, Inc. (Tokyo: 4183; President & CEO: HASHIMOTO Osamu) today announced that it has again been included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI)^{*1}, a global benchmark for measuring environmental, social and governance (ESG) investments. Having first been added to the DJSI Asia Pacific in 2018, Mitsui Chemicals has now managed to maintain its listing here for a six consecutive year following the index's annual review for 2023.

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Developed by U.S.-based company S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, the DJSI evaluates corporate sustainability on the basis of economic, environmental and social factors to select the leading sustainability-driven companies. The DJSI Asia Pacific covers approximately 600 major companies in the Asia–Pacific region, with 156 companies – including 75 Japanese companies – having been selected in 2023.

On top of its inclusion here, Mitsui Chemicals has been selected as part of the FTSE4Good Index Series and the MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes, both of which are global investment indices similar to the DJSI. Mitsui Chemicals also has been chosen to feature in six other stock indices utilized by Japan's Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF), the world's largest retirement scheme. These are the FTSE Blossom Japan Index, FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index, the MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index, the MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN), Morningstar Japan ex-REIT Gender Diversity Tilt Index and the S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index^{*2}.

Recognizing that the chemical industry shoulders the foundations of society and innovation – and as such has a major responsibility to work toward a sustainable society – the Mitsui Chemicals Group is actively endeavoring to employ ESG criteria within its management and strategies. To realize its aim of creating a circular society in harmony with the environment, an inclusive society creating diverse value and a comfortable society in which people can enjoy healthy lives and well-being, Mitsui Chemicals is deepening its efforts to create social value. This includes providing Blue Value[™] products and services, which are aimed at contributing to the environment, and Rose Value[™] products and services, which serve to improve quality of life (QOL)^{*3}.

For our group's ESG initiatives, please see "Sustainability" (Mitsui Chemicals Group ESG Report 2023) ^{*4} on our official website.

*1 Dow Jones Sustainability Indices https://www.spglobal.com/esg/csa/djsi-csa-annual-review

*2 ESG Indices https://jp.mitsuichemicals.com/en/sustainability/evaluation/index.htm

*3 Blue Value™ Environmental Contributions and Rose Value™ QOL Improvement Contributions <u>https://jp.mitsuichemicals.com/en/sustainability/mci_sustainability/contribution_value/index.htm</u>

Our Blue Value™ and Rose Value™ help visualize the contributions our products and services make to the environment and society and enable us to share those values with stakeholders. We evaluate our products and services that make significant contributions to the environment or improvements to QOL and certified them as Blue Value™ and Rose Value™ products respectively by checking application-specific contributions at each stage of the product lifecycle.

*4 Mitsui Chemicals Group ESG Report 2023 https://jp.mitsuichemicals.com/en/sustainability/index.htm