

Message from the Chair of the CSR Committee

CSR in the Sumitomo Corporation Group



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CSR in the Sumitomo Corporation Group

In the preamble to the Corporate Mission Statement, the Group sets out its corporate vision: “We aim to be a global organization that constantly stays a step ahead in dealing with change, creates new value, and contributes broadly to society.” The statement continues to describe the corporate mission, which is, “To achieve prosperity and realize dreams through sound business activities,” and the management style, which is, “To place prime importance on integrity and sound management with utmost respect for the individual.”

The Sumitomo Corporation Group regards CSR as working to achieve its corporate vision by staying true to the management style described in its Corporate Mission Statement, engaging in responsible corporate management, and working to fulfill its corporate mission. In other words, CSR is nothing other than putting our Corporate Mission Statement into practice, engaging in sound business activities, and having every member of the organization perform his or her daily duties with spirit and a strong sense of ethics.

Taken from a CSR viewpoint, for the Sumitomo Corporation Group to contribute to the development of a sustainable society and grow along with society, it must create and provide new social values through its business activities, which would in turn result in enhanced corporate value. Based on this belief, we develop an accurate understanding of social issues and identify new needs through dialogue with stakeholders. We then offer proposals to provide the solutions by bringing together the Group’s unique strengths and capabilities. Through these proposals, we work to improve the standard of living and contribute to the development of economies, industries, and societies

in the communities and countries where we conduct business. These efforts subsequently help boost earnings and expand business activities based on foundations of trust. We feel the Sumitomo Corporation Group’s CSR should revolve around this virtuous cycle.

The Sumitomo Corporation Group has defined its medium-to-long-term vision as “What We Aim to Be in 2019, Our Centennial Year,” which describes one of its goals as the following: “We aim to be a corporate group that is recognized by society as meeting and exceeding the high expectations directed toward us, creating value that nobody else can match in ways befitting our distinctive identity.” This endeavor entails that we constantly act from a medium-to-long-term perspective with the Corporate Mission Statement at the forefront of our minds. With this mind-set, we are working to become the leader in each industry in terms of both quantitative and qualitative aspects and a corporate group that is truly trusted by all of its stakeholders. We aim to make our vision of “What We Aim to Be” a reality and to continue to grow stably for another 50 years, 100 years, and beyond. It is therefore crucial to discuss what we want to achieve through our business activities and how these goals can be accomplished, followed by formulating growth strategies to guide us in this pursuit. I hope that all members of the Sumitomo Corporation Group will be able to unite to push us forward on this path.

Initiatives of Promoting CSR

One key step we took to put CSR into practice over the past year was working to deepen employees’ understanding of our Corporate Mission Statement—the foundation of the Group’s CSR activities. We took opportunities to further entrench this statement globally.

The Group is active a diverse range of industrial fields in countries and regions across the globe, which necessitates that we practice CSR throughout the supply chain. Recognizing this duty, we took advantage of various activities to spread awareness within the organization of the Sumitomo Corporation Group CSR Action Guidelines for Supply Chain Management.

We also undertook efforts to raise our overall level of CSR promotion and advance CSR activities on Companywide basis. To this end, we began periodically holding meetings in which representatives from the Environment & CSR Department sit down with representatives from individual sales divisions and domestic and overseas regional organizations. Through these meetings, we have instituted self-assessments based on ISO 26000, a global standard for CSR, and shared information and opinions related to CSR.

The Sumitomo Corporation Group signed the UN Global Compact in March 2009, declaring its support for the 10 principles on human rights, labour standards, environment, and anti-corruption. Our goal in the future will be to promote CSR in a manner that is suited to a global organization, and we will adhere to these 10 principles, which share the same values as our Corporate Mission Statement, and pay reference to ISO 26000 in this pursuit.

Major CSR Promotion Activities

CSR Promotion Framework

Since establishing the Environment & CSR Department in April 2008, Sumitomo Corporation has aggressively advanced CSR activities in cooperation with relevant internal departments, domestic and overseas regional organizations, and Group companies. We have also established the CSR Committee as an advisory body to the Management Council. The committee's activities include examining and discussing the Company's CSR frameworks and promotion measures. In addition, we set up the Global Environment Committee within the CSR Committee to function as an advisory body to this committee by promoting environmental management activities based on the ISO 14001 standard and holding environmental seminars.

The CSR Committee is headed by the Chief Strategy Officer, and its members are General Managers from the Corporate Group and General Managers of Planning & Administration Departments of each business unit. At the most recent CSR Committee meeting, after reviewing the steps taken in fiscal 2014, the committee confirmed the issues needing to be addressed based on changes in the circumstances relating to CSR, and future response measures were discussed.

Specifically, the committee discussed the following: 1) using ISO 26000 as a reference for measures to further raise the level of CSR promotion, 2) improving environmental management activities in consideration of the revision to ISO 14001, and 3) focusing on social contribution activities befitting our distinctive identity.



Global Promotion of Understanding and Entrenchment of the Corporate Mission Statement

We believe ongoing value creation and widespread contributions to society through business activities start with practicing the Corporate Mission Statement. Accordingly, we take every opportunity to deepen our understanding of this statement and expand its reach throughout the Group. We include employees of all ranks at domestic and overseas Group companies in our various ongoing training programs to enhance understanding and entrenchment of the Corporate Mission Statement. We also utilize tools such as e-learning and training materials developed in-house to foster greater understanding of the story behind the establishment of the Corporate Mission Statement as well as Sumitomo's business philosophy that is its underlying foundation. Recently, organizations overseas have also been strategically implementing initiatives to raise employee awareness in step with advancement of our global operations. By ensuring that every Sumitomo Corporation Group employee fully grasps the Corporate Mission Statement and puts it into practice in their daily business activities, we will demonstrate our core

competence—our integrated corporate strengths—on a global scale. We also believe that sharing these values with our business partners around the world will enable us to build a more solid, sustainable business foundation.



Training for locally hired employees

CSR Activities Based on ISO 26000

In recent years, society's expectations and demands for companies have been rising, and the degree of social responsibility requested has been growing ever higher. For this reason, the Sumitomo Corporation Group recognizes that it must further raise its level of CSR promotion. Based on this recognition, all sales departments and domestic and overseas regional organizations conducted a self-assessment based on ISO 26000,

the CSR global standard, to identify the issues needing to be addressed. Going forward, we will designate priority issues based on conditions and characteristics of the countries, regions, and industries in which each organization conducts its business activities. We will then pursue improvements in relation to these issues by instituting a plan-do-check-act (PDCA) cycle.

Major CSR Promotion Activities

Initiatives for the United Nations Global Compact

In March 2009, the Sumitomo Corporation Group signed the UN Global Compact and declared its support for the 10 principles, as this international CSR-related initiative shares the same values as our Corporate Mission Statement. With our participation in the Global Compact, we committed ourselves to further increasing corporate value by constantly seeking out areas of our business activities that can be improved in light of the values advocated by the 10 principles.

Moreover, Sumitomo Corporation actively participates as a Board Member of the Global Compact Network Japan, a local Global Compact network. In fiscal 2014, we took part in study groups focused on the themes of human rights due diligence,

environmental management, and reporting. Through this involvement, we acquired information on recent global trends in these areas, learned of examples of superior initiatives, and were provided insight from specialists. This knowledge was utilized to help the Company promote CSR.



* Sumitomo Corporation also supports the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, from which the 10 principles of the UN Global Compact are derived.

CSR Initiatives for Supply Chain Management

The Sumitomo Corporation Group has established the CSR Action Guidelines for Supply Chain Management. Through the implementation of these guidelines, we are aiming to realize a sustainable society by working together with our suppliers and business partners to achieve responsible value chain management. The Company

provides numerous opportunities to promote the understanding and entrenchment of these guidelines, including training for new employees and locally hired employees, meetings within business units and domestic and overseas regional organizations, and pre-departure briefings with employees being sent on overseas assignments.

The Sumitomo Corporation Group CSR Action Guidelines for Supply Chain Management

Established in November 2009
Revised in November 2013

The Sumitomo Corporation Group aims to be a global organization that, by constantly staying a step ahead in dealing with change, creating new value, and contributing broadly to society, strives to achieve prosperity and realize the dreams of all our stakeholders through sound business activities in strict adherence to our Corporate Mission Statement, and the management style principle contained therein, wherein prime importance is given to integrity and sound management with the utmost respect being paid to the individual.

In order to promote sustainability and social wellbeing in accordance with our mission, the Sumitomo Corporation Group hereby sets down these CSR Action Guidelines for Supply Chain Management. With a view to further strengthening the global relations which form one of the foundations of our core competence of integrated corporate strength, we request our suppliers and business partners to kindly accept, understand, and practice these guidelines so that together we can achieve responsible value chain management.

Our suppliers and business partners are expected to:

1. Respect human rights and not to be complicit in human rights abuses
2. Prevent forced labor, child labor and the payment of unfairly low wages
3. Not engage in discriminatory employment practices
4. Respect the rights of employees to associate freely in order to ensure open and fair negotiations between labor and management
5. Provide employees with safe and healthy work environments
6. Protect the global environment and give due consideration to biodiversity
7. Ensure the quality and safety of products and services
8. Ensure fair business transactions, to abide by all applicable laws, rules and regulations, and to prevent extortion, bribery and all other forms of corrupt business practices
9. Ensure appropriate information security
10. Cooperate with members of local host communities and contribute to sustainable regional development
11. Disclose information regarding the above in a manner both timely and appropriate.

Human Rights Seminar

The Sumitomo Corporation Group conducts its business on a global scale, operating in numerous countries, regions, and industries. We therefore recognize the necessity of thoroughly understanding the cultures, customs, and histories of the countries, regions, and industries in which we operate and the need to address various human rights issues based on these considerations. In March 2015, we held a seminar for employees of the Company and Group companies on the link between business activities and human rights. An outside specialist was invited to serve as an instructor for this seminar, through which information was provided on human rights issues that warrant particular attention in our business. The seminar covered a variety of topics with regard to the relationship between business activities and human rights. Specific topics included examples of incidents in which human rights

abuses have led to the materialization of reputation risks as well as methods of evaluating the impact of a particular activity on human rights. After participating in the seminar, one employee expressed his belief that such educational activities should be conducted on an ongoing basis to raise human rights awareness and instill these concepts into the minds of employees. Moreover, he stated these efforts were particularly necessary given the diverse and global nature of the Group's business.



Seminar on the link between business activities and human rights

For the latest information on our CSR initiatives, please visit our corporate website.

<http://www.sumitomocorp.co.jp/english/csr/>

Environmental Initiatives

Environmental Management

Throughout its 400-year history, the Sumitomo Group has pursued industrial development that co-exists with local communities and the natural environment. The Sumitomo Corporation Group is committed to contributing to the sustainable development through sound business activities that take into account global environmental issues.

Environmental Policy

All Group companies carry out environmentally sound management under a common environmental policy, including those participating in the Group's environmental management system, in order to reduce their environmental impact and improve environmental conditions through their business activities.

The Sumitomo Corporation Group Environmental Policy

The Sumitomo Corporation Group recognizes that environmental issues are global in scale and are long-term matters affecting future generations. As a global organization, the Sumitomo Corporation Group, through sound business activities, will strive to achieve sustainable development aimed at symbiosis between social and economic progress and environmental preservation. With this as its basic policy, the Sumitomo Corporation Group strives to achieve environmental management in its commercial trading, business development, and investment, etc., based on the guidelines stated below.

I. Basic Policy

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II. Basic Guidelines

In pursuing its diversified business activities both within Japan and overseas, the Sumitomo Corporation Group shall comply with the following guidelines, and, through cooperation between its Group companies, work to achieve the aims of its basic environmental policy.

1. Basic stance with regard to the environment:

To attach great importance to protecting the global environment as a good corporate citizen in keeping with its Activity Guidelines.

2. Compliance with environmental legislation:

To strictly observe legislation related to environmental matters not only in Japan but also overseas and abide by any agreements undertaken by the Group companies.

3. Caring for the natural environment:

To protect the natural environment and preserve biodiversity.

4. Efficient use of resources and energy:

To be mindful of the finite availability of resources and energy and strive to use them both efficiently and effectively.

5. Contributing to the building of a recycling-oriented society:

To endeavor to help build a recycling-oriented society by reducing waste and reusing and recycling resources.

6. Promotion of businesses that contribute to environmental preservation:

To utilize our integrated corporate strength to promote businesses and projects, which contribute to environmental preservation and reduction of the impact of society on the natural environment.

7. Establishment of environmental management:

To use an environmental management system to prevent environmental pollution and set environmental objectives and targets which are regularly reviewed and continuously upgraded.

8. Disclosure of the Environmental Policy:

To communicate this Environmental Policy to all people who are working for or on behalf of the Sumitomo Corporation Group, as well as disclosing it externally.

June 22, 2012

President and CEO, Sumitomo Corporation
Kuniharu Nakamura

Environmental Management System

The Group has obtained certification for the ISO 14001 standard and has been working to implement environment management activities.

The Group's integrated authentication enables unified environmental management of many different offices and organizations in line with the Sumitomo Corporation Group Environmental Policy. As of June 2015, approximately

18,300 employees in total from all domestic locations of Sumitomo Corporation and its 27 Group companies are participating in these environmental management activities under the Group's integrated authentication.



ISO 14001
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For information about Group companies that have obtained ISO 14001 certification, please refer to our corporate website.

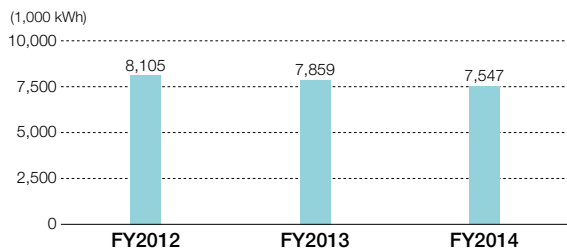
http://www.sumitomocorp.co.jp/english/csr/environment/manage/iso_management/

Environmental Performance Data

The Sumitomo Corporation Group considers the environment through its business activities, while making efforts to reduce the energy consumption and waste emissions in its offices.

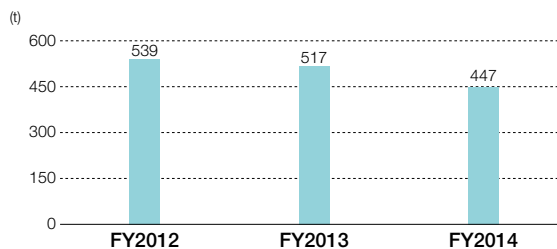
* Previous years' data for CO₂ emissions (in offices and in logistics) and water consumption have been revised in line with actual management status.
 * Data scope: Head office, regional offices, branches, and sub-branches in Japan (Three offices for water consumption, nine for other data)

Electricity Consumption



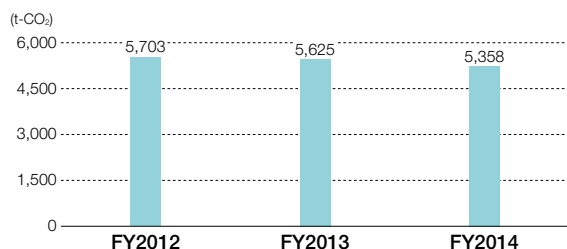
* Sumitomo Corporation has set a target of reducing electricity consumption by 1% annually.

General Waste Emissions



* Sumitomo Corporation has set a target of reducing general waste emissions by 1% annually.
 * Fiscal 2015 targets of Sumitomo Corporation are set at 443 tons for general waste emissions, and 35 tons for waste which would be sent to landfill.

CO₂ Emissions (in offices)

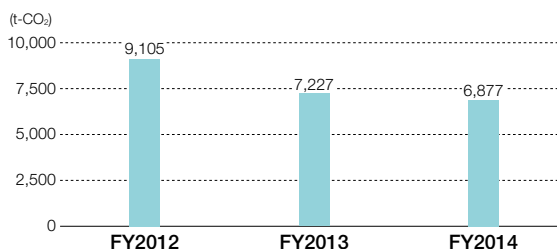


* For the breakdown of CO₂ emissions for FY2014, Scope 1 is 191 tons and Scope 2 is 5,167 tons.

* The above figures indicate total amounts of CO₂ emissions stemming from use of electricity, utility gas, and district heat (cooling/heating water), which are calculated using the following factors:

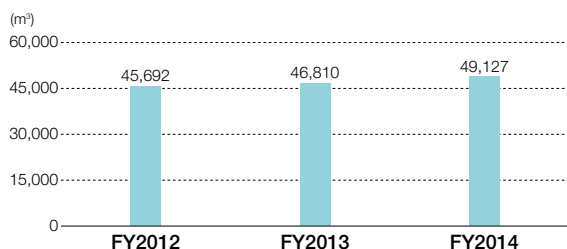
CO ₂ emission factors (in offices)	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014
Electricity (kg-CO ₂ /kWh)	0.571	0.570	0.570
Utility gas adjusted based on standard heat value (t-CO ₂ /thousand m ³)	2.234	2.234	2.234
Heat (in head office) (t-CO ₂ /GJ)	0.041	0.046	0.047
Heat (in other than head office) (t-CO ₂ /GJ)	0.057	0.057	0.057

CO₂ Emissions (in logistics)

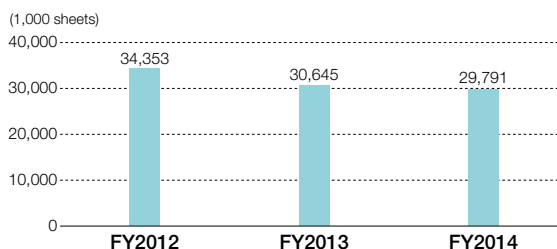


* CO₂ emissions in logistics are for cargoes within Japan where Sumitomo Corporation is the cargo owner according to the Act Concerning Rational Use of Energy.

Water Consumption



Paper Consumption



* Calculated from the purchase amount of office paper and the unit price of A4 size paper.

Please refer to the following website for detailed information on environmental performance data and third-party assurance.

http://www.sumitomocorp.co.jp/english/csr/environment/manage/load_data/

CSR through Business Activities

The Sumitomo Corporation Group has established an environmental policy of striving to achieve sustainable development, through sound business activities, aimed at symbiosis between social and economic progress and environmental preservation, under which it is promoting numerous environmental businesses.

Efforts to Achieve a Low-Carbon Society

Offshore Wind Farm Projects in Belgium

The European market for offshore wind farms continues to steadily expand, with production capacity expected to increase approximately 3.5 times by 2020. Against this backdrop, in 2014 Sumitomo Corporation entered into an agreement with Parkwind NV, a Belgian offshore wind farm company, and acquired shares in two offshore wind farm projects, Belwind 1 and Northwind. The two projects comprise of a total of 127 wind turbines, with a production capacity that can meet the needs of approximately 370,000 households. Furthermore, Sumitomo Corporation and Parkwind are working together on the development of the Nobelwind project, a new offshore wind farm adjacent to the Belwind wind farm.

Sumitomo Corporation has extensive experience in the operation of onshore wind farms and solar power generation plants

around the world including in Japan, the United States, and South Africa. Moreover, Sumitomo Corporation has been building and operating thermal power plants for many years, and has a global network to source components nurtured through its power generation operations, in addition to financing expertise. Going forward, we will continue to leverage these strengths and capabilities—traits only Sumitomo Corporation can offer—in contributing to the further proliferation of renewable energy.



Offshore wind farm projects in Belgium

Efforts to Achieve a Recycling-Oriented Society

Waste Recycling Activities at Summit, Inc.

In recent years, waste is becoming an increasingly severe problem. In light of this, Summit, Inc., a Group company of Sumitomo Corporation that operates a food supermarket chain, is actively engaged in various waste recycling initiatives.

As one of its initiatives, Summit has been recycling styrene foam since 1991. Styrene foam boxes disposed of by the stores, and food trays used by customers collected at the front of the stores, are used as raw materials to produce new food trays and plastic products. Furthermore, in 2013 Summit newly established a styrene foam-recycling center inside its distribution center, and the recycled styrene foam is incorporated in a wide range of applications, including as a derivative to produce insulation

materials. Moreover, in partnership with farming union cooperative Wagoen, Summit is engaged in a resource-circulation recycling system, whereby vegetable and fruit scraps are recycled to produce fertilizer, which is then used to cultivate vegetables that are sold at the stores. As a result of these efforts, Summit is currently recycling approximately 80% of the waste produced at its stores.



Recycling center inside Summit's distribution center

Contributions to Biodiversity Conservation

Environmental Conservation at the Ambatovy Nickel Project

Sumitomo Corporation is engaged in the Ambatovy Nickel Project in Madagascar, which is one of the world's largest nickel mine development projects. With approximately 1,000 rare animal species inhabiting the island, adequate consideration must be made for the natural environment when engaging in business operations. To this end, the project is being conducted in line with various international standards, such as the Performance Standards of the International Finance Corporation (IFC), and the standards set out by the World Health Organization (WHO), with thorough efforts made to maintain the island's biodiversity and implement various conservation programs. More specifically, a buffer zone has been designated to protect fauna migrating out of

the mine footprint, and a biodiversity offset program has been established based on the concept of "no net loss, and preferably a net gain" of biodiversity. Going forward, the project will continue to cooperate with the Business and Biodiversity Offsets Program (BBOP), an international partnership of governments, corporations, and biodiversity experts, in supporting environmental conservation efforts in Madagascar.



Diademed Sifaka, a rare animal

Please refer to the following website for further details about our initiatives.

<http://www.sumitomocorp.co.jp/english/csr/environment/>

Social Initiatives

Social Contribution Activities

The Sumitomo Corporation Group will work to resolve social issues through its business activities and social contribution activities with the aim of building a sustainable society. To this end, we are conducting various social contribution activities around the world centered on the three areas listed below.



●○○ Developing the next generation of human resources

TOMODACHI Sumitomo Corporation Scholarship Program

In 2013, Sumitomo Corporation began participating in the TOMODACHI Initiative, a Japan-U.S. exchange project led by the U.S. Embassy and U.S.-Japan Council (Japan). Through our involvement in this initiative, we are conducting a scholarship program to support university students sent to the United States through foreign exchange programs. During their time in the United States, scholarship students are able to participate in training sessions held by Sumitomo Corporation of Americas and experience homestays with local U.S. employees. They are given various opportunities to interact with young Japanese and U.S. professionals that are active in a range of areas of business.

In June 2015, an event was held at which the first group of scholarship students reported on their experience during their one-year stay abroad. Attended by representatives from the U.S. Embassy and U.S.-Japan Council (Japan), this event also featured a ceremony for presenting scholarships to the second group of students selected for this program. The students from the first group made their reports confidently in English, a sight that no doubt kindled a flame in the spirits of the second group of students set to embark on their own study-abroad adventures.

Ceremony Held in Mongolia to Commemorate Sumitomo Corporation Scholarship Program

Sumitomo Corporation established the Sumitomo Corporation Scholarship Program in 1996, on the 50th anniversary of its trading business activities, to support the development of the young people to which the future of Asian countries will be entrusted.

To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the commencement of scholarships at the National University of Mongolia and the fifth anniversary of the start of provision at the Mongolian University of Science and Technology, a ceremony was held in the Mongolian capital of Ulaanbaatar in April 2015. On the day of the ceremony, a total of 86 people gathered for the event, including current scholarship recipients, graduates of these universities, representatives from the Embassy of Japan in Mongolia, and members of the local press. One graduate delivered a speech in which he stated his appreciation for the Sumitomo Corporation Scholarship Program, not just for providing aid for his education but also for helping awaken in him the sense of responsibility for making his own contribution to Mongolia's future development. Going forward, the scholarship program will be continued to further support the growth of the students that will drive the development of Mongolia in the future.



Event for hearing reports from the first group of students and presenting scholarships to the second group of recipients



Commemorative ceremony held in Ulaanbaatar

The Sumitomo Corporation Group's Basic Principles on Social Contribution Activities

OBJECTIVE	We, as a global organization, will work on social issues through our business activities and social contribution activities with the aim of building a sustainable society by implementing the Sumitomo Corporation Group's Management Principles and Activity Guidelines.
ACTIVITIES	We will engage in social contribution activities aimed at developing the next generation of human resources who will drive the sustainable development of society, and contributing to local communities in areas we do business all over the world. We will also take part in various activities as a good corporate citizen.
APPROACH	We will perform and seek to continuously improve our activities with modesty and high aspirations and endeavor to maintain a high level of transparency while strengthening our relationships with all our stakeholders.

Contributing to local communities in areas where we do business all over the world

Sumitomo Corporation Youth Challenge Program for the Revitalization of East Japan

This year marks the fourth time that the Company has held the Youth Challenge Program for the Revitalization of East Japan. This program was created to provide support to young people seeking to aid in the process of reconstructing from the damages of the Great East Japan Earthquake and in helping people affected by the disaster to rebuild their lives. This program consists of two parts: the Activity and Research Subsidy, which helps fund the research and other activities of young people, and the Internship Encouragement Program, which supports long-term youth internships at NPOs active in the quake-stricken regions. Through the Youth Challenge Program,

we aim to give young people a large number of opportunity to learn and grow from the experience of playing an active and ongoing part in the revitalization of eastern Japan. We anticipate this experience will help these individuals become future leaders in the development of their communities and society as a whole.



Ceremony for presenting subsidy certificates

Acting as a good corporate citizen

Promotion of Barrier-Free Movie Experiences

With the aim of enabling visual- and hearing-impaired individuals to enjoy popular movies, the Company assisted with the production of barrier-free versions of selected movies from 2004. These barrier-free movies offer audio descriptions and Japanese-language subtitles. In 2008, we began providing these movies for exhibition at free-viewing events held by libraries and volunteer organizations across Japan. Approximately 3,000 people attended these movies at 45 locations in fiscal 2014. Going forward, we will continue to promote the spread of

barrier-free movie experiences. Through these activities, we hope to foster awareness about the importance of providing alternative methods of offering access to information for visual- and hearing-impaired individuals, who may have difficulty acquiring information.



Depiction of a barrier-free movie experience

Great East Japan Earthquake Reconstruction Support

Support for Recovery of the Fish Processing Industry in Kesenuma

Together with Sumitomo Corporation Tohoku Co., Ltd., the Company has teamed up with Mitsui & Co., Ltd., to contribute to the recovery of the fish processing industry in Kesenuma City. The industry is a cornerstone industry for this city but suffered catastrophic damage due to the Great East Japan Earthquake and the ensuing tsunami. The trading company coalition is working together with Miyagi Prefecture, Kesenuma City, and the local Chamber of Commerce. In this endeavor, the coalition is assisting with the activities of the Kesenuma Shishiori Fisheries Processing Cooperative Association, which was formed by business operators following the earthquake, to help develop a business model for the innovation and reconstruction of this industry sector.

Construction commenced on a number of joint-usage facilities in September 2014. Among these facilities was an office building, where a ceremony was held to commemorate its completion in May 2015, and a refrigerated warehouse and seawater treatment plant that started operation in August 2015.



A building housing the offices for the Kesenuma Shishiori Fisheries Processing Cooperative Association and a refrigerated warehouse

Social Initiatives

This section introduces the social contribution activities that the Sumitomo Corporation Group is carrying out around the world.

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Sumitomo Corporation is aiding the Sankyu Thank You Project (*sankyu* means “maternity leave” in Japanese), a maternal and child health program conducted by the Japanese Red Cross Society in Kenya and Uganda. The project is a donation program based on the concept of protecting the lives of as many African mothers and infants as the number of babies born to employees that take maternity leave and childcare leave. Sumitomo Corporation was the first company to begin participating in this project, which it joined in 2013.



PICK UP

MobiCom Corporation LLC, an integrated telecommunications provider in Mongolia, has established the Child Helpline 108 call center to help address the issue of child abuse, which is endemic in this country. The call center’s full-time staff provide support for various children’s issues, ranging from offering consultations regarding issues at school to responding to life-threatening emergency situations. More than 150,000 children utilize this helpline each year. Furthermore, MobiCom Corporation provides Child Helpline 108 with operational support, including donations of telephones and computers.



In Europe, Africa, Middle East & CIS

- Support for the activities of Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre in contributing to the development of dramatic art and culture in local communities (U.K.)
- Dispatch of employee volunteers and provision of donations to support socially disadvantaged children through cooperation with NPOs (Slovenia) **1**
- Aid for the Swedish team aiming to participate in the Homeless World Cup soccer tournament (Sweden)
- Support for the Sankyu Thank You Project protecting the lives of pregnant mothers giving birth and their babies (Kenya, Uganda)

PICK UP

- Support for the construction of a training center for teachers in the field of elementary education at Qatar University (Qatar)
- Donation of toys to children’s hospitals (Russia)
- Support for a tree-planting event to create a Japanese garden where people can relax (Ukraine) **2**



In Asia & Oceania

- Educational assistance for students from impoverished areas in Anhui, Guangdong, and Yunnan provinces (China)
- Donation and delivery of coal briquettes to elderly citizens living alone to enable them to warm their homes (South Korea)
- Aid for operation of child support helpline (Mongolia) **PICK UP**
- Donation of uniforms and school supplies to elementary school-children in impoverished parts of Yangon’s suburbs (Myanmar)
- Release of more than 2,000 juvenile fish into a dam reservoir that serves as daily-use water supply for local residents (Thailand) **3**
- Japanese language education and culture learning program for junior high school students in Da Nang City (Vietnam)
- Support for project rebuilding meadow strips and wildlife habitats (Australia) **4**



Sumitomo Corporation provides a running update of the Group's social contribution activities around the world through its corporate website to offer a broader overview, including activities not mentioned in this publication.

► <http://www.sumitomocorp.co.jp/english/csr/contribution/>



Social Contribution Activity Report

PICK UP

Sumitomo Corporation has continued to support the musical activities of the Junior Philharmonic Orchestra (JPO), which consists of approximately 100 youths ranging from elementary school students to university students. In addition to supplying monetary aid, we support the holding of four concerts every year, including the Sumitomo Corporation Young Symphony Concerts, to provide these young musicians with opportunities to present the talents they have honed through daily practice. These concerts include events at which preschool children can enjoy music together with adults and charity concerts for supporting reconstruction efforts following the Great East Japan Earthquake, and these concerts have brought joy to countless individuals.



In Japan

- Support for the activities of the Junior Philharmonic Orchestra (JPO) **PICK UP**
- Cooperation with the Japanese Red Cross Society's blood donation campaigns
- Support for TABLE FOR TWO and CUP FOR TWO activities
- Participation in service dog training support program conducted by the Guide Dog & Service Dog & Hearing Dog Association of Japan
- Provision of employees' IT proficiencies to help resolve issues faced by entrepreneurs and managers in regions heavily impacted by the Great East Japan Earthquake
- Provision of workplace experience program for special-needs school students **5**
- Provision of internships for university students through cooperation with the College of Asia Pacific program, comprising six universities in Japan and South Korea **6**



PICK UP

In 2004, Sumitomo Corporation of Americas established the Sumitomo Corporation of Americas Foundation. Each year, this foundation contributes US\$500,000 worth of funds to provide ongoing support to projects in a variety of fields, such as disaster relief activities. Specifically, this project funds a Japan-U.S. exchange event held in New York known as Japan Day. The foundation also supports academic activities by providing aid for research programs at the Center on Japanese Economy and Business at Columbia University and cultural activities by offering funding for the operation of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts and art museums.



In the Americas

- Support for various activities through the Sumitomo Corporation of Americas Foundation (U.S.) **PICK UP**
- Internal donation drive to raise funds for the Children's Miracle Network, an organization supporting children's hospitals (Canada) **7**
- Support for activities of the Big Brothers and Sisters Movement, a program that matches children with volunteers to talk about their concerns and offers them learning opportunities (Canada)
- Social contributions including protecting rare plants growing on the site of an automobile factory and conducting maintenance and management of drainage channels (Mexico)
- Donations to support a Japanese speech contest (Mexico)
- Donations to a project celebrating the 120th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Japan and Brazil (Brazil)
- Donation of Christmas cakes, school supplies, and playground equipment to villages and elementary schools in close vicinity of Company-owned forests (Chile) **8**

