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Sompo Holdings Group has established following policies including the "Group CSR Vision" and the Group as a whole implements various initiatives to fulfill its corporate social responsibility.

# Group CSR Vision

We, the Sompo Holdings Group will positively engage our stakeholders in forward looking dialogue, respect international standards and codes of conduct, address environmental issues of climate change, biodiversity, and social issues of human rights and diversity in the course of our business operations in a transparent, fair and open manner. By constantly maintaining a long-term outlook, and by providing services and products that contribute to security, health, and wellbeing, we will strive as a solutions provider to promote the realization of a resilient and sustainable society.

## **Group Environmental Policy**

We, the Sompo Holdings Group will contribute to developing a resilient, inclusive and sustainable society so that future generations can inherit our irreplaceable Earth, by addressing environmental issues in the course of our core business operations and working proactively to resolve environmental issues through active dialogue and engagement with stakeholders.

#### < Action Guidelines >

- 1. Providing products and services to make a more resilient society

  We will provide products and services that increase preparedness against the risk of natural catastrophes in order to contribute to adapting to climate change, building a low carbon society, conserving biodiversity and promoting stakeholders' eco-consciousness.
- 2. Promoting resource conservation through the entire value chain We will assess the environmental impact of our business including the emission of waste and comply with environmental laws and regulations. We will promote resources and energy conservation as well as recycling activities throughout the entire value chain by cooperating with various stakeholders.
- 3. Raising awareness of environmental issues and corporate citizenship

  We will broadly promote environmental education and awareness of environmental
  conservation by providing environmental information with the unique aspect of a global group
  engaged in a wide range of business centering on insurance. Furthermore, we will proactively
  encourage our employees' individual voluntary efforts as a global citizen to conserve the
  environment through involving in the local community. To enable continuous improvements, we



will periodically review the above-mentioned activities to reflect our environmental objectives and targets.

## **Group Policy for Human Rights**

We, the Sompo Holdings Group pledge to respect human rights of our all stakeholders in global markets including our group and all value chains. We will respect the international norms of behavior\*, and simultaneously act with the highest ethical standards towards an inclusive, resilient, equitable and sustainable society. Based on the perspectives set out below, we will address the human rights impacts of our activities while communicating with our stakeholders, establish an effective company approach and act, and continuously improve our approach and information disclose. We respect human dignity as the foundation of universal human rights

#### 1. Human rights due diligence for stakeholders

We will respect human rights of all stakeholders associated with our global business activities, including customers and suppliers. We will avoid, prevent or mitigate indirect adverse impact on human rights of our stakeholders. Should there be any abuse of human rights, we will address it promptly and adequately.

#### 2. Human rights due diligence for employees

In all facets of labour practices, we will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, religion, creed, nationality, birthplace, social status, descent, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, sexual expression, pregnancy, marital status, age, disability or any other status. We, as a company, will respect every employee's challenging spirit and speedy action, and ensure a dynamic working environment by maintaining and promoting every employee's health.

#### 3. Promotion of human rights in global markets

We will comply with the laws and regulations of the countries and regions where our business operations and value chains are based. At the same time, we will conduct our business by taking into consideration the local culture and customs, as well as the environment and society in accordance with the expectations of stakeholders, and take into account local human rights issues. We will conduct the highly transparent business and contribute toward economic and social development and creation of social values of local communities.

This policy does not necessarily replace local laws and regulations. We will actively engage in this policy while complying with local laws and regulations.

\* International norms of behavior refers to the guidelines on human rights including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, International Covenants on Human Rights(International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights), ILO International Labor Standards, The United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights known as "Ruggie Framework", Sustainable Development Goals, The United Nations Global Compact, Women's Empowerment Principles(WEPs), The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and ISO26000.



## **Group Sustainable Procurement Policy**

Sompo Holdings strives to maximize its beneficial impacts on the environment, society, and economy through procurement processes aligned with the following sustainability principles:

#### 1. Fair and equal transactions

We will conduct fair and equal transactions with all suppliers by engaging in anti-corruption efforts and by giving full consideration to quality, delivery time, economic feasibility, and social issues such as the environment and human rights.

#### 2. Compliance with laws and regulations

We will comply with all laws and related regulations in the countries and regions where we operate, and respect relevant social norms and their intent in our procurement practices. We will strictly manage the information obtained through our procurement activities.

#### 3. Consideration of global issues

We will collaborate with suppliers and other stakeholders to integrate sustainability into our value chain to maximize our contribution to climate change adaptation and mitigation, biodiversity conservation, and a circular economy; to tackle human rights issues in the global market, such as poverty and unequal opportunities for workers; and to promote better worklife balance and diversity.

## Corporate Citizenship Policy (Sompo Japan Nipponkoa)

Our company and its Group companies will make proactive contributions to society with the objective of resolving community and global social issues, while supporting individual employees' voluntary efforts.

#### 1. Corporate citizenship activities

We will work proactively to realize a sustainable society for future generations in collaboration with various stakeholders, including NGOs/NPOs, civil society organizations and government, by focusing on three areas: the environment, welfare and fine arts, in which we have accumulated expertise and achievements.

#### 2. Support for individual employees' social contribution efforts

We will support and encourage employees' voluntary activities in contributing to society by developing human resources responsive to social issues.

Please click below link for details of Group CSR Materiality

Group CSR Materiality



## **Management System**

## **Group-Wide Management(Council for CSR Promotion)**

The Group operates a performance-driven CSR management system to ensure continuous improvement. The Group's Council for CSR Promotion has been established with the aims of sharing exemplary initiatives and updates on the progress by Group companies and promoting non-financial initiatives focusing on ESG (environmental, social, and governance) topics to improve group-wide performance. The council periodically consults with and reports to the Management Committee and Board of Directors to raise awareness of social responsibility among directors.

# Management at Individual Companies (Continuous Improvement)

We have expanded the ISO 14001 certification we obtained in 1997 to the entire Group and built a management system that covers all social responsibility initiatives. Each Group company now has its own CSR management organization led by the CEO or other executive officer and run by a team of managers and leaders. Furthermore a CSR-Eco Facilitator is appointed at every worksite in an effort to encourage self-motivated bottom-up action. Currently, 2,669 (as of May 2017) CSR-Eco Facilitators and other staff across the Group are spearheading initiatives relevant to their respective workplaces. Each workplace follows a PDCA cycle to make improvements and accelerate action, a process that involves drafting an annual CSR action plan at the start of the fiscal year and conducting half-year and full-year reviews. We also conduct dialogue-based internal auditing to advance initiatives at each workplace. The operating and management status of initiatives are regularly reported to the Management Committee for review.

We engage in various efforts to boost CSR awareness and understanding. Examples include offering seminars for Group employees with our own training materials covering ISO 26000, the SDGs, and ESG topics; grade-specific seminars for executives, new managers, and newly-hired employees; and annual dialogues with external experts for product development, management, and other departments.

We are integrating CSR into overseas operations through various approaches, including holding meetings to discuss the importance of social responsibility issues and future goals. By holding training sessions for representatives of Group companies outside Japan for instance, we also exchange information on the latest social responsibility trends.

- Major ESG Data
- Stakeholder Engagement



