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Sompo Japan Insurance Inc.

**Sompo Japan selected as one of the "Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World"- a first for a Japanese insurance company**

Sompo Japan Insurance Inc. (hereafter “Sompo Japan,” President and Chief Executive Officer: Masatoshi Sato) is pleased to announce that it has been selected as one of the “Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World” (hereafter “the Global 100”), announced on January 28. This is the first time a Japanese insurance company has been selected, and of the 100 corporations that were selected this year, Sompo Japan serves as the only Japanese financial institution.

1. About the Global 100

The Global 100 is a joint-project initiated by the US investment research company Innovest Strategic Value Advisors Inc. and Canadian-based media company Corporate Knights Inc., and evaluates a corporation’s sustainability based on their environmental, social, and governance performance efforts.

The evaluations are made from a selection of more than 1800 corporations from around the world covering every business sector based on the research analytic data which Innovest provides. Those corporations selected as the top 100 are evaluated to be corporations that serve as global representatives.

Since 2005, the lists of the Global 100 have been announced every year at the World Economic Forum in Davos.

"Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World" Website

<http://www.global100.org/index.asp>

2. Sompo Japan’s Initiatives

Sompo Japan was rated highly for its “integration of sustainability issues into its business strategy,” allowing it to be selected as one of the Global 100.

In 1990, Sompo Japan established the Environmental Risk Management Office and began initiatives to tackle environmental issues. With emphasis on both individual initiatives and company-wide efforts, we could acquire ISO 14001 certification and publish environmental reports as the first company in the Japanese financial service industry. And now, we promote the development of various insurance products that are valuable to both “adaptation to and mitigation of” climate change and environmental risks. Furthermore, we also offer the financial products and services including an eco-fund (one of the SRI products) and weather derivatives. Through those challenges, we have emerged as a forerunner in these fields in the financial industry. Going forward, we plan on further strengthening initiatives towards sustainability by addressing environmental issues via our core businesses.

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