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Contributing to society with innovations that only Sumitomo Chemical can deliver by leveraging the power of chemistry

Our world seems to have become more divided. The Russian invasion of Ukraine, which began in February 2022, still does not show signs of coming to an end, and the foundations of the international order that has been built since the end of World War II have been severely shaken. In addition, continuing inflation and uncertainties in the financial market are casting a large shadow over the post-COVID-19 global economy. With these conditions expected to continue for the foreseeable future, our world is heading into uncharted waters and entering a period of great uncertainty.

These developments have posed greater challenges than anticipated to the Sumitomo Chemical Group, which last year embarked on its new Corporate Business Plan. Nevertheless, what we must strive to achieve in the medium to long term remains the same: solving social issues that the world needs to address such as carbon neutrality and conservation of ecosystems. This requires the power of science. More than a hundred years ago, Sumitomo Chemical solved the social problem of smoke pollution caused by the emissions from the Sumitomo Besshi Copper Mine in Japan, while at the same time contributing to increasing food production, by producing fertilizers from the emissions. It was the power of chemistry and the tireless efforts of the people who engaged in the project that made happen what then seemed virtually impossible.

Chemistry will continue to play a pivotal role in driving innovation and shaping the future. Considering changes in society as opportunities, we at the Sumitomo Chemical Group will accelerate green transformation (GX) and digital transformation (DX) and contribute to the future and to society with innovations that only we can deliver.

We would like to ask all of our stakeholders for their continued support and cooperation.

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