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Financial Statements in This Document

Beginning in fiscal 2017, the Sumitomo Chemical Group is adopting international financial reporting standards (IFRS) in place of Japanese GAAP, which it previously used, and is therefore restating figures for the previous consolidated fiscal year using IFRS for comparative analysis. However, as the consolidated statement of financial position was not calculated for the sectors using IFRS at the beginning of fiscal 2016, the sectors' ROA for fiscal 2016 were not calculated.

Forward-looking Statements

Statements made in this annual report with respect to plans, strategies, and future performance that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements involving risks and uncertainties. Sumitomo Chemical cautions that a number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from such statements including, but not limited to, general economic conditions in Sumitomo Chemical's markets; demand for, and competitive pricing pressure on, Sumitomo Chemical's products in the marketplace; Sumitomo Chemical's ability to continue to win acceptance for its products in these highly competitive markets; and movements of currency exchange rates.

Editorial Policy

Our annual report has been prepared with the aim of conveying our value creation stories in a way that is easy to understand for a wide range of stakeholders, including shareholders and investors. It compiles financial and non-financial information comprehensively, including our business strengths, earnings report, corporate governance systems, and initiatives for the environment and society.

The Annual Report 2020 was made more informative by publishing a discussion with investors on our ESG initiatives and messages from outside directors. We hope that this report will serve as a bridge for communication with our stakeholders and will convey the approach of the Group as a whole to creating new value.



The Guidance for Collaborative Value Creation, put forth by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, is a handbook that serves as a shared language connecting companies and investors, systematically and comprehensively laying out the information that companies ought to convey to investors in order to raise the quality of information disclosure and of dialogue with investors. This report primarily relies on this guidance in the value creation models for sector information (starting on page 38).

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