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Announcement Concerning the Acquisition of Shares in Nufarm's Group Companies in South America

Sumitomo Chemical Company, Limited ("Sumitomo Chemical") announced today that it has agreed with Nufarm Ltd. ("Nufarm"), the leading crop protection company in Australia, to acquire all shares of Nufarm's four South American subsidiaries in Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Colombia, through Sumitomo Chemical's fully owned subsidiaries in the region, i.e. Sumitomo Chemical Brazil for the Brazilian subsidiary, and Sumitomo Chemical Chile for the others. The acquisition is due to be completed upon approval by Nufarm's shareholders' meeting scheduled for December this year, subject to clearance by relevant regulatory authorities.

1. Purpose of Shares Acquisition

The crop protection market in South America currently accounts for approximately 25 percent of the world market, which is larger than North America or China. Among countries in the region, Brazil has the world's largest crop protection market with a huge demand especially for soybean treatments. Argentina is one of the world's leading agricultural countries. Against the backdrop of increasing global food demand, the crop protection market demand in the region is expected to grow further in the future.

As a result of the acquisition announced this time, the crop protection revenue of Sumitomo Chemical in South America will triple, surpassing its revenue in North America. In addition, the Company can build a solid in-house sales system for crop protection chemicals in this region, which is the world's largest market and is expected to grow. More importantly, the acquisition will give a powerful impetus to the

Company's ongoing projects to establish a network of its global footprints (Sumitomo Chemical's own distribution networks). Among the Company's products to benefit directly from the acquisition is INDIFLIN™, a novel fungicide active ingredient, discovered by Sumitomo Chemical, to be launched in 2020 or later, which has a high efficacy against major plant diseases such as Asian Soybean Rust. Sumitomo Chemical has been working jointly with Nufarm to develop mixtures containing INDIFLIN™, and the acquisition will accelerate this development and also enhance the line-up of related crop protection products. Also, the strengthened footprints in Latin America will enable Sumitomo Chemical to begin realizing a solid growth of INDIFLIN™ sales immediately after it is launched and to achieve a significant growth in crop protection revenue in the Latin American markets. Furthermore, the acquisition will provide Sumitomo Chemical with an opportunity to pursue the integration of business operations, from development through formulation to distribution because a formulation plant the Company will obtain as part of the acquisition can be managed and operated closely with its existing R&D facility and its adjoining experimental field.

2. Overview of Subsidiary merged

Company name	Nufarm Indústria Química e Farmacêutica S.A.	
Address	Avenida Parque Sul, No. 2,138, Distrito Industrial, Maracanaú - CE, Brazil	
Representative	Gilberto Bento Schiavinato, CEO	
Scope of Business	Manufacturing and commercialization of agricultural pesticides	
Capital	BRL 793 million	
Date Established	6 September 1968	
Major shareholders and ratio of shares held	Nufarm Australia Limited 100%	
Relationship between the subsidiary and Company	Capital relationship	Subsidiary of Nufarm Limited, in which Sumitomo Chemical has 15.88% shares
	Human relationship	No notable relationship
	Trade relationship	Sumitomo Chemical Group sells products to Nufarm Indústria Química e Farmacêutica S.A.
	Related party relationship	Subsidiary of Nufarm Limited, in which

		Sumitomo Chemical has 15.88% shares
Performance and Financial Results of the Past Two Years		
Year End	July 2017	July 2018
Net assets	BRL 628 million	BRL 699 million
Total assets	BRL 1,758 million	BRL 2,064 million
Net sales	BRL 1,709 million	BRL 2,065 million

3. Outline of the major Company of Share Acquisition

Company name	Nufarm Australia Limited	
Address	105 Pipe Road, Laverton North, Victoria, Australia	
Relationship between the Partner and Company	Capital relationship	Subsidiary of Nufarm Limited, in which Sumitomo Chemical has 15.88% shares
	Human relationship	No notable relationship
	Trade relationship	Sumitomo Chemical Group sells products to Nufarm Australia Limited

4. Number of shares acquired, Purchase price and status of shares held before and after acquisition

Shares held before acquisition	0 shares (ratio of shares 0%)
Number of shares acquired	11,257,156 shares
Shares held after acquisition	11,257,156 shares (ratio of shares 100%)
Purchase price	About 70 billion JPY* (Estimated at present)

*total purchase price of 4 companies in Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Colombia

5. Schedule

Contract date	September 30, 2019
Date of completion of share acquisition	The first half of 2020 (scheduled)

6. Future Outlook

The financial impact of this acquisition of shares on Sumitomo Chemical's consolidated financial results for FY2019 is currently under review. Sumitomo Chemical will announce any revisions to its financial forecasts or any other information that needs to be disclosed without delay.