President's Message



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Leveraging Innovative Technologies to Solve Social Issues and Contribute to Sustainability

Our Society is changing more dramatically and growing more uncertain. The world population continues to increase, and global challenges such as climate action and the recovery of biodiversity and natural capital are becoming more pressing. Meanwhile, the rapid advance of AI and other innovative technologies offers both new opportunities and new challenges.

In these circumstances, chemistry can serve as foundations that support people's lives and also as an engine that drives the creation of new value. It has limitless potential to create a sustainable economy, society, and environment.

Since its founding, Sumitomo Chemical has strived to address society's major issues by leveraging technology. The Company got its start by producing calcium superphosphate fertilizers to prevent the air pollution from sulfur dioxide gas emitted from copper smelting operations. This origin is encoded in our DNA. We have upheld the spirit of *Jiri-Rita Koushi-Ichinyo*, which means that our business must benefit society at large, not just our own interests, and have continued to take on new challenges and create products and technologies that address society's major challenges as they arise.

Sumitomo Chemical is now pursuing a long-term vision to become an Innovative Solution Provider—a company that helps solve society's challenges by leveraging innovative technologies. We focus on the major challenges in the four areas of food security, ICT, healthcare, and the environment and are implementing a range of initiatives across our four business sectors.

Among them is our Sumika Sustainable Solutions™ initiative in the environmental field. In this effort, we designate the Sumitomo Chemical Group's products and technologies that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, resource recycling, and sustainable use of natural capital as Sumika Sustainable Solutions™ and promote those products and technologies. It has marked its 10th anniversary, and sales revenue of Sumika Sustainable Solutions™ in fiscal 2025 reached ¥555.6 billion, or 24% of the Group's total sales revenue.

Going forward, we will continue to tackle material issues for promoting sustainability and pursue sustainable growth, while also striving to steadily evolve into an Innovative Solution Provider and further enhance our corporate value, in order to meet the expectations of all stakeholders.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support.