# Sumitomo Forestry Group Procurement Policy



The Sumitomo Forestry Group utilizes wood as a renewable natural resource in its business operations. To contribute to a sustainable society, we are committed to procurement activities that take into account economic, environmental and societal interests and comply with the following policy:

### Procurement based on legal and highly reliable supply chains

Our procurement activities will strictly adhere to all relevant laws, regulations and societal norms, and be built on mutual understanding and trust with our business partners. Furthermore, to provide the highest quality products and services, we will work with our business partners to ensure that our procurement takes place within a sound and fair supply chain.

### Procurement based on fair opportunity and competition

We will provide all our suppliers, both Japanese and foreign, a fair opportunity for business. Selection of our business partners will be based on a comprehensive evaluation of the company's reliability and technological expertise, the product's quality, economic efficiency, delivery date and environmental performance, and the company's CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) initiatives, such as advocacy of basic human and worker rights, anticorruption efforts and so on.

## ? Procurement of sustainable timber and wood products

Wood is a renewable natural resource. To actively utilize it, we will work with our business partners on the following initiatives related to the procurement of timber and wood products:

- Procure timber from forests that are sustainably managed
- Work to improve the traceability of procured timber and wood products
- Strictly adhere to the laws and regulations of the countries and regions of harvest, protect biodiversity and forests with high conservation value, and respect the cultures, traditions and economies of regions that coexist in harmony with forests.

#### **1** Communication

To ensure the transparency of our procurement efforts, we will disclose information appropriately. In addition, we will communicate with our stakeholders to further improve our procurement activities.

President and Representative Director

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