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JT is included in DJSI Asia Pacific for the sixth consecutive year

Japan Tobacco Inc. (JT) (TSE: 2914) announces today that it has been selected as a member of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices Asia Pacific (DJSI Asia Pacific), the worldwide index for Socially Responsible Investment (SRI)¹ for the sixth consecutive year.



The DJSI is a collaborative initiative by S&P Dow Jones² Indices of the United States and RobecoSAM³ of Switzerland. It assesses the sustainability performance of companies, based on economic, environmental and social criteria.

From among approximately 600 major companies in the Asia-Pacific region, including Japan, 148 companies (76 Japanese companies) are included in the DJSI Asia Pacific this year.

In accordance with our management principles, we strive to fulfill our responsibilities to our valued consumers, shareholders, employees and the wider society, carefully considering the respective interests of these four key stakeholder groups, and exceeding their expectations wherever we can.

“We are delighted to remain as a member of DJSI Asia Pacific for the sixth consecutive year. Selection to DJSI endorses our commitment to achieve sustainable growth and to contribute to the sustainable development of our society,” said Chigusa Ogawa, Senior Vice President, Sustainability Management.

Our Group supports the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and their related targets in the context of our own business and operational environments⁴. In order for our group to achieve sustainable growth, it is essential for our business to contribute to the sustainable development of our society. We will maintain an ongoing dialogue with our stakeholders and will work continuously on a variety of sustainability issues to fulfill our responsibilities.

¹ An investment which considers companies’ sustainability dimensions including social, environmental and corporate governance performance in addition to focusing on their financial performances.

² A leading US provider of global news and business information.

³ Swiss asset management consultancy conducting corporate sustainability assessments.

⁴ See page 13-14 of FY2018 JT Group Sustainability Report for details about our commitment to SDGs and the specific ways in which we can contribute to achieving some of the goals: https://www.jt.com/sustainability/report/pdf/2018/Our_Sustainability_Strategy.pdf

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Japan Tobacco Inc. is a leading international tobacco company with operations in more than 130 countries. With over 63,000 employees, it manufactures and sells some of the world's best-known brands including Winston, Camel, MEVIUS and LD. The JT Group is committed to investing in Reduced-Risk Products (RRP) and currently markets its tobacco vapor products under the Ploom brand and various e-cigarette products under the Logic brand. The Group is also present in the pharmaceutical and processed food businesses. For more information, visit <https://www.jt.com/>.

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