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Suntory Holdings Recognized by the CDP as Supplier Engagement Leader 2021



Tokyo, Japan (February 10, 2022) — Suntory Holdings has been recognized on global environmental non-profit CDP's Supplier Engagement Leaderboard, ranking among the top 8% of all companies assessed for supplier engagement on climate change. Its non-alcoholic beverage and food business segment, Suntory Beverage & Food (SBF), was also included as a leader in 2020. The company and SBF also ranked on CDP A List 2021 for Climate Change and Water Security respectively, announced in December 2021.

CDP's Supplier Engagement Leaderboard recognizes the companies which have received the highest ratings in CDP's Supplier Engagement Rating (SER). CDP's annual SER is designed to evaluate and spur action on corporate supply chain engagement on climate issues, based on the CDP climate change questionnaire. It covers governance, targets, value chain (scope 3) emissions and value chain engagement strategies, and factors in the company's climate score.

To achieve net zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions across the entire value chain by 2050, Suntory Group has set a goal to halve GHG emissions in its direct operations and

reduce by 30% across the entire value chain by 2030*1. The company was recognized by the CDP for its close collaboration with value chain stakeholders in tackling climate change, by gathering information on the status of their GHG emissions level and reducing their emissions.

In terms of packaging, Suntory Group is engaging with its suppliers in reducing GHG emissions by introducing more sustainable PET bottles in its products. It aims to switch all of its PET bottles used globally to be made from only recycled or plant-based materials by 2030, achieving zero use of virgin petroleum-based materials. In Japan, the company has also developed and introduced Flake to Preform (F-to-P) Direct Recycling Technology, a bottle-to-bottle mechanical recycling system which increases process efficiency (compared to traditional mechanical recycling) and reduces CO2 emissions by up to 70% compared to producing virgin petroleum-based PET preforms. This technology came to life through the company's close collaboration with its suppliers.

With a mission to create harmony with people and nature, Suntory Group will accelerate its efforts to decarbonize its business globally and contribute to a creating a sustainable society.

More about Suntory Group's initiatives on environment can be found here.

About Suntory Holdings

As a global leader in the beverage industry, Suntory Holdings offers a uniquely diverse portfolio of products from premium spirits, beer and wine to brewed teas, bottled water, carbonated soft drinks, ready-to-drink coffee and energy drinks, along with health and wellness products. Suntory is home to award-winning Japanese whiskies *Yamazaki*, *Hibiki* and *Hakushu* as well as iconic American spirits *Jim Beam* and *Maker's Mark*. Suntory also fascinates the taste buds in Japan and the Asian market with our *Premium Malt's* beer and also owns the exceptional Japanese wine *Tomi* and the world famous *Château Lagrange*. Its brand collection also includes *Sauza Tequila*, non-alcoholic favorites *Orangina*, *Lucozade*, *Ribena*, *BOSS* coffee, *Iyemon* green tea, *Suntory Tennensui* water, *TEA+ Oolong Tea*, *V and BRAND'S*, as well as popular health and wellness product *Sesamin EX*.

Founded as a family-owned business in 1899 in Osaka, Japan, Suntory Group has grown into a global company operating throughout the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia and Oceania with an annual revenue (excluding excise taxes) of \$20.4 billion in 2020. Suntory is driven by Yatte Minahare - the spirit of bold ambition - and our 40,044 employees worldwide draw upon our unique blend of Japanese artisanship and global tastes to explore new product categories and markets.

^{*1} Compared to 2019 baseline

As a company that delivers blessings of water and nature to our customers, Suntory is committed to its mission to create harmony with people and nature. Always aspiring to grow for good, Suntory is devoted to giving back to society through protecting water resources, nurturing its communities and fostering the arts.

Learn more about Suntory Group, its brands, and its commitment to social responsibility at www.suntory.com, on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and YouTube.