Sekisui House Recognized for its Leading Climate Action, Named to CDP’s prestigious ‘A List’ for Climate Change for Two Consecutive Years

Sekisui House was named to the ‘Climate Change A List’ by an environmental non-profit organization CDP, a global authority in the environmental field, giving us recognition as an outstanding world-class company for pioneering initiatives and disclosing information on climate change. This is the second consecutive year to be recognized following our listing in the A List for CDP 2018. In 2019, only 38 out of 579 companies (500 Japanese companies were assessed and 79 companies responded voluntarily) were included in the A list.

In 2019, over 525 investors with over US$96 trillion in assets and 125 major purchasers with US$3.6 trillion in procurement spending requested companies to disclose data on environmental impacts, risks and opportunities through CDP’s platform and over 8,400 responded.

In recognition of the threat that climate change poses to the global society and the importance of measures to mitigate that threat, Sekisui House declared in 2008 that we would decarbonize our operations as part of our 2050 Vision. Since then, our operations have been aimed at tackling the challenges of preventing global warming, preserving ecosystems, and creating a recycling-oriented society. We continue to expand our range of eco-friendly residential products, including efforts to make Net Zero-Energy Houses (ZEH) the industry standard.

Our environmental actions have been recognized by leading bodies both domestically in Japan and internationally. For example, in October 2019, we responded to the tightened approval standards of the Science Based Targets (SBT), which evaluates alignment between corporate CO₂ emission reduction targets and the Paris Agreement, by obtaining approval for our emission reduction targets at the tightened target of “well below 2 degrees Celsius.” In December of the same year, we became Japan's first non-financial company to disclose financial information by publishing ‘TCFD Report 2019’, which discloses our measures against climate change and the validity of our growth strategy to investors and other stakeholders.

Sekisui House aims to be a leading company in ESG management. We will take further actions towards finding solutions to environmental and other issues confronting society, and continue engaging in corporate activities that will help create a sustainable society.

Sustainability Report 2019, which introduces our sustainable activities is available here; https://www.sekisuihouse.co.jp/english/sr/2019.html

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About CDP

CDP is a global non-profit that drives companies and governments to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, safeguard water resources and protect forests. Voted number one climate research provider by investors and working with institutional investors with assets of US$96 trillion, we leverage investor and buyer power to motivate companies to disclose and manage their environmental impacts. Over 8,400 companies with over 50% of global market capitalization disclosed environmental data through CDP in 2019. This is in addition to the over 920 cities, states and regions who disclosed, making CDP’s platform one of the richest sources of information globally on how companies and governments are driving environmental change. CDP is a founding member of the We Mean Business Coalition.

About Sekisui House

Founded in 1960, Sekisui House, Ltd. is one of world’s largest homebuilders and an international diversified developer, with cumulative sales of over 2 Million homes*. Based in Osaka, Sekisui House has over two-hundred consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates**, over twenty-thousand employees*** and is listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Nagoya Stock Exchange.

Sekisui House aims to create homes and communities that improve with time and last for generations. With “Love of Humanity” as its Corporate Philosophy, Sekisui House believes that homes should offer comfort, security and peace of mind for residents, while maintaining harmony with the environment and its surroundings. Sekisui House has sustainability as a core corporate target and is now the global leader in the construction of net-zero-energy homes with more than forty-thousands*** of them built since the product was launched in 2013. In 2009, Sekisui House expanded into several new international markets and now operates in the United States, China, Singapore, Australia and the United Kingdom.

*1 ; 2,448,050 homes delivered
*2 ; 268 consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates
*3 ; 25,310 employees
*4 ; 47,575 net-zero-energy homes
All above figures as of July 31, 2019