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About Acquisition of ISCC PLUS Certification (International Sustainability and Carbon Certification)

Marubeni Plax Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Marubeni Plax") has acquired ISCC PLUS certification, one of the international certification systems for sustainable products. This is the first time that a Marubeni Group domestic operating company has acquired this certification.

ISCC (International Sustainability and Carbon Certification) is an international certification association based in Cologne, Germany. It promotes climate and environmental protection, supports environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable manufacturing, and encourages the use of all types of biomass in global supply chains. Its aim is to contribute to sustainable societal development through various certification systems.

ISCC PLUS certification is a certification system that manages and ensures that biomass and recycled materials from around the world, including outside the EU, are sustainably sourced. A key feature is its compatibility with the mass balance method, allowing products with valid certification to be marked with the ISCC certification logo specified for each sustainable raw material.

The mass balance method allows for the mixing of sustainably sourced materials such as biomass with petroleum-derived raw materials. Depending on the proportion of sustainably sourced materials such as biomass used, it is possible to assign sustainability to any specific product manufactured.

By facilitating flexible raw material conversion and the greening of derivatives, this system promotes efforts toward sustainable material procurement and is expected to see significant adoption in the chemical and plastic industries.

To address environmental and social issues, including climate change, Marubeni Plax established a Green Product Division in April 2021 to strengthen its strategic planning capabilities and environmentally conscious businesses from a supply chain-wide perspective, with the aim of achieving a carbon-neutral society.

We will continue to contribute to the realization of a sustainable society through the promotion of ISCC-certified products.

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