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Selected as a constituent of the ESG investment index "FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index"

Yukiguni Maitake Co., Ltd. (the "Company") hereby announces that it has been selected as a constituent of the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index^{*1}, a leading ESG (Environment, Social and Governance) investment index as follows.

The company was selected as a constituent of the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index in recognition of its proactive sustainability initiatives, including disclosure in line with TCFD recommendations and the identification of materiality issues and the setting of specific targets.

The FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index is designed as a sector neutral benchmark that reflects the performance of companies demonstrating strong Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) practices in Japan. The index selects companies with higher ESG Ratings within the top 50% of each sector and supports climate transition to a low carbon economy by evaluating companies' climate governance and climate change efforts via the Transition Pathway Initiative's Management Quality Score^{*2}.

It has also been adopted as one of the benchmarks for passive management in ESG investment by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF), one of the world's largest public pension funds, and is used as an important investment decision criterion by investors worldwide.

Our aim is to contribute to promote the global health through mushrooms, which are also a bountiful gift of nature. We will continue to work towards solving social issues and achieving sustainable growth by placing importance on harmony with nature, people and society.

*1. FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index

https://www.lseg.com/en/ftse-russell/indices/blossom-japan

*2. TPI (Transition Pathway Initiative) Management Quality Score assesses the quality of management of risks and opportunities associated with a company's greenhouse gas emissions and transition to low carbon.

For more information on the Company's sustainability initiatives, please refer to the following page. <u>https://www.maitake.co.jp/en/sustainability/index.html</u>