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To whom it may concern

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc.
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited

Acquisition of Approval to Establish a Branch in Hong Kong

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited (President: Hitoshi Tsunekage; hereinafter "SMTB") hereby announces that on May 31, 2013, it received official approval for the application submitted to the Hong Kong Monetary Authority to establish a branch in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China. Based on this approval, SMTB will move forward with concrete preparations for the opening of the Hong Kong Branch.

SMTB considers the Asian region as an important strategic area because of its rapid economic growth. In the course of the implementation of its global business plan in Asia, SMTB decided to open a branch in Hong Kong, which is one of the key financial markets in Asia. The Hong Kong Branch will aim at providing high-quality financial services as the Trust Bank, and responding efficiently to the needs of its customers, including Japanese corporations overseas, together with Sumitomo Mitsui Trust (Hong Kong) Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of SMTB, engaged in the securities investment and investment advisory businesses in Hong Kong.

The Hong Kong Branch will be the first overseas branch opening after the establishment of SMTB on April 1, 2012. With the addition of the Hong Kong Branch, SMTB will enhance its network in the Asian region through 9 offices: 3 branches (Singapore, Shanghai, Hong Kong), 1 subsidiary (Hong Kong), 5 representative offices (Jakarta, Seoul, Bangkok, Beijing (Banking business/Securities business)).

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