## **NEWS RELEASE**



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### MARUI GROUP Included in CDP's Climate A-List for Second Consecutive Year

MARUI GROUP CO., LTD., announces that it has been included in the Climate A-List, which represents the highest evaluation offered by the international NPO CDP, for the second consecutive year.

#### ■ Overview of CDP

CDP is an international NPO endorsed by institutional investors from around the world. One of the most trusted evaluation institutions by investors, CDP investigates the initiatives of companies and cities around the world for addressing climate change, water, forest, and other environmental issues and discloses the results of its analyses and evaluations.

#### ■ Climate A-List

CDP's Climate A-List is a list of companies that have incorporated superior climate change response initiatives into their climate change response plans and strategies.

In 2019, approximately 8,400 companies from across the globe were investigated during the process of compiling the A-List.

MARUI GROUP's inclusion in the A-List for two consecutive years is thought to be a reflection of the evaluation that its climate change and information disclosure initiatives, such as its



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endorsement of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures\*1 and its receipt of certification from Science Based Targets,\*2 are of a high level even on the international stage.

- \*1 The Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures is an organization established by the Financial Stability Board to encourage companies to disclose information pertaining to climate change-related business risks and opportunities and to facilitate the sharing of this information among institutional investors and financial institutions.
  - MARUI GROUP was the first retailer in Japan to declare its support for the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures, and the Company has been disclosing information on initiatives pertaining to climate change and the recommendations of the task force in its annual securities reports since the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019.



For more information, please refer to the following news release.

→ https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/pdf/settlement/18 1120/en 18 1120 1.pdf

Annual securities report for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019 (see page 12)

→https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/en/ir/lib/sec.html

\*2 The Science Based Targets initiative was jointly established by CDP, the United Nations Global Compact, the World Resources Institute, and WWF. This initiative is tasked with encouraging companies to set science-based greenhouse gas reduction targets.

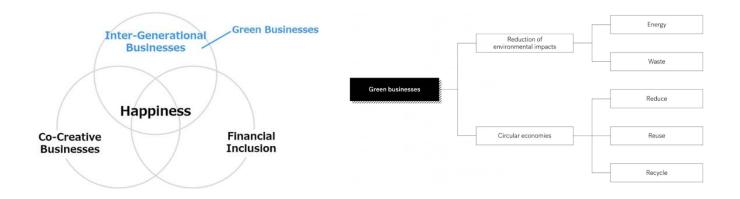
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#### ■ MARUI GROUP's Co-Creation Sustainability Management

MARUI GROUP practices forward-looking **co-creation sustainability management**, which entails viewing initiatives pertaining to business activities, environmental preservation, the resolution of social issues, and corporate governance from an integrated perspective. In 2019, the Company took its first step forward in full-fledged sustainability management by establishing its long-term **2050 Vision** and defining three businesses founded on co-creation.

Inter-generational businesses, one of these three businesses, include green businesses that provide options for coexistence with the global environment through which we are reducing environmental impacts and promoting circular economies through the 3Rs (reduce, reuse, and recycle).



#### **■** Green Business Initiatives

#### ≪Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions≫

MARUI GROUP calculates, receives third-party verification of, and discloses information on its amounts of emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse gas emissions, including information on emissions from the Company (Scope 1 and Scope 2) and from other areas of the value chain (Scope 3). The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted across MARUI GROUP's value chain has declined for five consecutive years.



#### ≪Introduction of Renewable Energy≫

Approximately 80% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from MARUI GROUP is attributable to electricity use. To address these emissions, the Company became a member of the international initiative RE100 and announced its target of sourcing 100% of its



electricity from renewable energy by 2030. In addition, we are engaging in renewable energy procurement activities through co-creation with new power suppliers, acquiring registration as a power retailer to gain access to a wide range of power sources, and advancing other initiatives.

#### ≪Provision of Options for Coexistence with the Global Environment≫

MARUI GROUP is developing green businesses that provide options for coexistence with the global environment through co-creation with customers, business partners, and investors.



Examples of such efforts to provide sustainable options include the issuance of green bonds to fund efforts to source 100% of electricity from renewable sources and partnering with Minna-denryoku, Inc., to propose renewable energy to EPOS cardholders.

Information on MARUI GROUP's vision for co-creation sustainability management and 2050 Vision can be found in the following reports.

#### Co-Creation Management Report 2019

→https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/en/ir/lib/i-report.html

#### VISION BOOK 2050

→ https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/en/sustainability/lib/s-report.html

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