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Editorial Policy

Since 2016, we have been publishing this integrated report so that all of our stakeholders, including customers, shareholders and investors, and local communities, can gain an even better understanding of our initiatives aimed at sustainable growth and maximization of corporate value, which is the goal of the SMM Group.

In this Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. Integrated Report 2018, the third publication of the integrated report, we have significantly changed the composition to focus on explanations of the connections and linkages between the various disclosed information, such as material issues that we have identified, and various initiatives, to allow a deeper understanding of SMM Group's creation of value.

Also, we are working to continually improve by taking the comments and requests received in communications over

two years with stakeholders who use this report as a tool, and making use of them in the various sections of this report.

In this report, CBNC and THPAL are acronyms for Coral Bay Nickel Corporation and Taganito HPAL Nickel Corporation, respectively. Also, unless otherwise stated, the term "ton" refers to a metric ton.

Referenced Guidelines and Assurance

In editing this report, we referenced the International Integrated Reporting Framework of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC). For information on sustainability, we have complied with the Core option of the Global Reporting Initiative's¹ Sustainability Reporting Standards, and the Company's self-declaration and performance data have received independent assurance.

1. Global Reporting Initiative (GRI): An organization established with the purpose of creating and promoting international guidelines for sustainability reports. An index for GRI contents is on our website: <http://www.smm.co.jp/E/>

Boundary of the Report

Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. (SMM)

The Sumitomo Metal Mining Group
(SMM and consolidated subsidiaries)

Economic Topics

SMM, consolidated subsidiaries and equity-method affiliates

Environmental Topics

SMM and consolidated subsidiaries (31 companies)

The boundary of the report is stated on p. 06-07. Companies marked with an asterisk (*) are included in the boundary of the report.

Social Topics

SMM and consolidated subsidiaries

Disclaimer

The forward-looking statements in this integrated report, including business result forecasts, are based on information available to the Company and on certain assumptions deemed to be reasonable as of the date of release of this report. Actual business results may differ substantially due to a number of factors.

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