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_____Sustainability Finance Framework Evaluation by Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd._____

Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. (JCR) announces the following Sustainability Finance Framework Evaluation Results.

JCR Assigns <u>SU1 (F)</u> to the Sustainability Finance Framework of Tokyo Tatemono Co., Ltd.

Subject : Tokyo Tatemono Co., Ltd. Sustainability Finance Framework

<Sustainability Finance Framework Evaluation Results>

Overall Evaluation	SU1(F)
Greenness and Social Beneficial	
Impacts Evaluation	gs1(F)
(Use of Proceeds)	
Management, Operation and	1(E)
Transparency Evaluation	m1(F)

Chapter 1: Evaluation Overview

Tokyo Tatemono Co., Ltd. (the "Company") is a comprehensive real estate company affiliated with the former Yasuda zaibatsu, which was founded by Zenjiro Yasuda in 1896. The main income drivers are the office building business, which leases office buildings in central Tokyo, and housing business, which develops condominiums and rental housing.

Tokyo Tatemono's long-term vision is "Becoming a Next-Generation Developer." In the midst of a rapidly changing external environments, the Company is striving to solve the issues for realizing a sustainable society while addressing social issues and growing as a company on a higher level. For the large-scale redevelopment projects in which the Tokyo Building participates as well as other projects in operation, the Company aims to improve the attractiveness of the area and to increase the value of the entire office building portfolio owned by the Company by incorporating a mechanism to solve social and environmental problems as "Community-building in Contribution to Solving Social Issues."

The subject to this evaluation is the sustainability finance framework established by the Company (the "Framework") in order to limit the funds raised by means such as bonds or loans to the use of proceeds that have social benefits and environmental improvement effects. JCR evaluates whether the Framework complies with the Green Bond Principles (2018 Edition), the Social Bond Principles (2018 Edition), the Sustainability Bond Guidelines (2018 Edition), the Green Loan Principles (2018 Edition), the Green Bond Guidelines (2020 Edition) and the Green Loan Guidelines and the Sustainability Link Loan Guidelines (2020 Edition). These principles are not binding in nature as they are



voluntarily published principles or guidelines by the International Capital Markets Association (ICMA), the Loan Market Association (LMA) and the Asia-Pacific Loan Market Association (APLMA) and the Ministry of the Environment, respectively. However, JCR evaluates the Framework in reference to those principles and guidelines.

The Company intends to use the proceeds of sustainability finance to finance development, acquisition or refinancing of either basic infrastructure/essential services, socioeconomic improvement/empowerment, food safety or green buildings (5 stars or 4 stars in DBJ Green Building Certification, S-rank or A-rank in CASBEE-Construction (new construction), or 5 stars or 4 stars in BELS Certification). Under these criteria, it selects the following nine projects as the eligible projects under the Framework.

- Tokyo Station-Front Yaesu 1-Chome East Area Urban Redevelopment Project (Yaesu Project)
- Yaesu 1-Chome North Area Urban Redevelopment Project (Gofukubashi Project)
- Tokyo Square Garden
- Tokyo Tatemono Nihonbashi Building
- City Lab TOKYO
- TOKYO FOOD LAB
- xBridge-Tokyo/ xBridge-Tokyo Next
- Kitchen Studio SUIBA
- TOKYO IDEA EXCHANGE

JCR confirms that all the above nine projects have enough social and/or environmental improvement effects.

Internal systems related to its sustainability activities are well established, and it ensures the project selection criteria and process appropriately, where the management and the department in charge with expertise in the sustainability space are systematically involved.. The framework prescribes the internal control system to manage the proceeds by the department in charge. JCR also confirms that the Company plans to disclose the clear social and environmental impact reporting appropriately. From the above considerations, JCR confirmed that the Company established a robust management and operation system and keep high transparency in the implementation of sustainability finance.

Based on the JCR Sustainability Finance Evaluation Methodology, JCR assigns "gs1 (F)" for the "Greenness and Social Beneficial Impacts Evaluation (Use of Proceeds)" and "m1 (F)" for "Management, Operation and Transparency Evaluation." Consequently, JCR assigns "SU1 (F)" for overall "JCR Sustainability Finance Framework Evaluation. Evaluation results are discussed in detail in the next chapter. The Framework is expected to meet the standards for the Green Bond Principles, the Social Bond Principles, the Sustainability Bond Guidelines and the requirements of the Ministry of the Environment's Green Bond Guidelines and the Green Loan and Sustainability Link Loan Guidelines. 1234

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¹ Green Bond Principles, 2018 https://www.icmagroup.org/assets/documents/Regulatory/Green-Bonds/Green-Bonds-Principles-June-2018-270520.pdf

² Social Bonds Principles 2018 https://www.icmagroup.org/green-social-and-sustainability-bonds/social-bond-principles-sbp/

Sustainability Bond Guidelines 2018 https://www.icmagroup.org/assets/documents/Regulatory/Green-Bonds/Sustainability-Bonds-Guidelines-June-2018-270520.pdf

⁴ Green Bond Guidelines 2020 Version and Green Loan and Sustainability Link Loan Guidelines https://www.env.go.jp/press/files/jp/113511.pdf



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