To whom it may concern

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc.

(Securities code: 8309 TSE, OSE, NSE)

The Chuo Mitsui Trust and Banking Company, Limited

Chuo Mitsui Asset Trust and Banking Company, Limited

The Sumitomo Trust and Banking Co., Ltd.

Receipt of approval for the merger

Today, Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc. (President: Kazuo Tanabe) hereby announces that its wholly-owned subsidiaries, The Chuo Mitsui Trust and Banking Company, Limited (President: Jun Okuno), Chuo Mitsui Asset Trust and Banking Company, Limited (President: Ken Sumida) and The Sumitomo Trust and Banking Co., Ltd. (Chairman of the Board and President: Hitoshi Tsunekage) have received approval for the merger from Japan's Financial Services Agency under Article 30, paragraph 1, of the Banking Act.

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