Independent Assurance Report for Environmental and Social Indicators

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To the Representative Director Executive Chairman and CEO of Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited

We were engaged by Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited (the “Company”) to undertake an independent assurance engagement of the environmental and social performance indicators as set forth in the Report for the period April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 included in its Value Report 2023 (the “Report”) for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023.

The Company’s Responsibility

The Company is responsible for the preparation of the Indicators in accordance with its own reporting criteria (the “Company’s reporting criteria”), as described in the Report.

Our Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an independent assurance conclusion on the Indicators based on the procedures we have performed. We conducted our engagement in accordance with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3000, Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information and the ISAE 3410, Assurance Engagements on Greenhouse Gas Statements issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. The limited assurance engagement consisted of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for the preparation of information presented in the Report, and applying analytical and other procedures, and the procedures performed vary in nature and extent to fit the reasonable assurance engagement. The level of assurance provided is thus not as high as that provided by a reasonable assurance engagement. Our assurance procedures included:

- Interviewing the Company’s responsible personnel to obtain an understanding of its policy for preparing the Report and reviewing the Company’s reporting criteria.
- Examining the design of the systems and methods used to collect and process the Indicators.
- Performing analytical procedures on the Indicators.
- Evaluating, on a basis of evidence supporting the generation, aggregation and reporting of the Indicators, in conformity with the Company’s reporting criteria, and recalculating the Indicators.
- Evaluating the overall presentation of the Indicators.

Conclusion

Based on the procedures performed, as described above, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Indicators in the Report are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Company’s reporting criteria as described in the Report.

Our Independence and Quality Management

We have complied with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants, which includes independence and other requirements founded on fundamentals of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behavior. In accordance with International Standard on Quality Management 1, we design, implement and operate a system of quality management including policies or procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

Kumiho Jahn, Partner, Representative Director
KPMG Asia Sustainability Co., Ltd.
Tokyo, Japan
October 27, 2023

Inclusion in ESG Indices in Reflection of External ESG Evaluations

Our ongoing efforts to address sustainability issues have been highly appreciated, resulting in the Group being selected for the following ESG indices as of September 2023.

- **Selected consecutively for fifteen years/seven years/two years**

**FTSE4Good**

- FTSE4Good Index Series and the FTSE Blossom Japan Index are indices that reflect the performance of corporations that excel in ESG factors, established by FTSE Russell, a global index provider and wholly-owned subsidiary of the London Stock Exchange. The Company has been selected for fifteen consecutive years from 2009 as a component of the FTSE4Good Global Index and for seven consecutive years from 2017 as a component of the FTSE Blossom Japan Index. Also, we have been selected as a constituent of the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index (launched in March 2022) for two consecutive years. FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index is a selective ESG index evaluated from three perspectives: FTSE Russell’s ESG rating, carbon emission intensity (greenhouse gas emissions based on sales volume), and a company’s management policy of climate change risks and opportunities. This index is one of five indices selected by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPiF) as an ESG Index in Japanese stocks.

**FTSE Blossom Japan Index**

- FTSE Russell, the trading name of FTSE International Limited and Frank Russell Company, owned by the London Stock Exchange Group, has been independently assessed according to the index criteria, and has satisfied the requirements to become a constituent of the FTSE Blossom Japan Index. The FTSE Blossom Japan Index is designed to measure the performance of Japanese companies demonstrating strong Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) practices. The FTSE Blossom Japan Index is used by a wide variety of market participants to create and assess responsible investment funds and other products.

**FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index**

- FTSE Russell confirms that Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd. has been independently assessed according to the index criteria, and has satisfied the requirements to become a constituent of the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index. The FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index is used by a wide variety of market participants to create and assess responsible investment funds and other products.

Selected consecutively for five years

**MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index**

- The MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index is an index of MSCI in the U.S. that comprises corporations among corporations included in the MSCI Japan IMI Top 700 Index that are highly assessed in ESG evaluations. The Company has been included in this index for five consecutive years from 2019. This index is one of five indices selected by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPiF) as an ESG Index in Japanese stocks.

**Dow Jones Sustainability Indices**

- The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI), managed by S&P Global are ESG indices evaluating the sustainability of a company and provides important criterion for investors to select investment targets. The Company has been included in the DJSI Asia/Pacific for thirteen consecutive years from 2010.

**S&P Asia Sustainability Index**

- The SOMPO Sustainability Index, independently managed by SOMPO Asset Management Inc., is an index for pension funds and institutional investors that invest broadly in companies with high ESG ratings. Approximately 300 companies are selected each year, and we have been selected for eight consecutive years.

https://www.ftserussell.com/products/indices/blossom-japan