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First selection as a constituent of the representative ESG investment indices "FTSE4Good Index Series" and "FTSE Blossom Japan Index"

Morinaga & Co., Ltd. (Shiba, Minato-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director, President: Eijiro Ota) has been selected for the first time as a constituent of the representative ESG investment indices of the "FTSE4Good Index Series" and "FTSE Blossom Japan Index".

The "FTSE4Good Index Series" and "FTSE Blossom Japan Index" are compiled by FTSE Russell, a global index provider. Companies are evaluated for excellence in their environmental, social and governance (ESG) practices and those that meet the criteria are selected to be included in the index.

The Morinaga Group has stated its Purpose to be that, "The Morinaga Group will continue to create healthy foods that can be enjoyed beyond generations, thereby bringing smiles to the faces of people around the world now and in the future." Through corporate activities to realize this purpose, we will continue to strive to contribute to a sustainable society and to achieve sustainable growth for the Group.

- *1: An index designed to measure the performance of companies with excellent environmental, social and governance (ESG) practices. It is widely used to create and evaluate sustainable investment funds and other financial products.
- *2: An index that is widely used in the creation and evaluation of sustainable investment funds and other financial products. It is used as an important judgment standard for investors, such as in its adoption by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF) as one of the benchmarks for ESG investment.
- Sustainability at Morinaga Group

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