Press Release

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MITSUI-SOKO HOLDINGS Co., Ltd.

Provides LVL Shipping Arrangement Management Service to Mitsui Chemicals Logistics Division

Supporting operational efficiency through timely information sharing

The MITSUI-SOKO Group (hereinafter, the "Group" or "we") is pleased to announce that we have provided the Logistics Division of Mitsui Chemicals, Inc. with the LVL shipping arrangement management service (hereinafter, the "Service") to support their export operations.

Since the inception of the MITSUI-SOKO Group Digital Transformation (DX) Strategy in 2021, the Group has focused on generating societal value by enhancing digitization and visualization within supply chain management (SCM). As a comprehensive logistics company with many years of experience in logistics operations, we have developed the SCM digital platform "LVL (Logistics Value Link)" to optimize our customers' logistics. This platform facilitates the digital accumulation, management, and utilization of information regarding the movement and location of goods, as well as the digitization of information transmission to enhance operational efficiency.

The Service was developed in collaboration with Mitsui Chemicals' Logistics Division, using the LVL platform as its foundation. The status of vessel reservations can be checked online, facilitating smooth communication among personnel responsible for various tasks through a shared management screen, thereby enhancing the efficiency of export-related operations. The timely integration of data, such as shipping performance, enables swift and informed management decisions. Incidentally, using the logistics data aggregated by the Service, it is also possible to calculate CO2 emissions through SustainaLink*, a service offered by the Group that collectively computes CO2 emissions.

Characteristics of the Service

- 1. Inquiry regarding timely shipping arrangements
- 2. Consolidation of all export information, including cases arranged by logistics contractors outside the Group and freight forwarders
- 3. Preparation of monthly payment data for shipping companies, including automatic allocation of applicable charges

Advantages for Mitsui Chemicals Logistics Division by Introducing the Service

- 1. Reduced workload due to fewer inquiries via email and other channels.
- 2. Streamlined aggregation and analysis operations through the consolidation of export data.
- 3. Faster management decisions enabled by the timely aggregation of transportation costs and CO2 emissions.

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By offering the Service in conjunction with other solutions that address SCM challenges, the Group will enhance the efficiency and added value of logistics operations while generating new business opportunities.

*A service designed to address three key risks that challenge the logistics industry's supply chain: environmental, labor, and disaster risks. To address environmental risk, we utilize the "MS CO2 Analyzer" (a service for collectively calculating CO2 emissions) and the "MS CO2 Navigator" (a simplified tool for estimating CO2 emissions) to visualize emissions and propose reduction measures based on the data.

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