

TBM and CDP have agreed on a service partnership

“TBM wishes to support CDP by printing certain of Japanese CDP’s 2017 report (Climate Change/Water)”

Oct 25th 2017- "LIMEX" is new material developed by TBM Co., Ltd. ("TBM") which are mainly made of limestone and turned into alternatives of paper and plastic without using water nor pulp. CDP is an international organization, with regional offices and local partners spanning 50 countries which locates its headquarters in London. TBM announced that TBM and CDP have agreed on a service partnership. TBM will continue to work on environmental issues following SDG's (Sustainable Development Goals).

Background

Nowadays, companies are expected to concern about environmental issues and SDG's. In 2013, TBM was adopted innovation center established assistance program (subsidy for advanced technology demonstration and valuation facility development, and others) run by Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. In 2015 TBM constructed its first plant in Shiroishi city Miyagi prefecture. In 2016 TBM won the first ever annual Social Impact Award, at the Plug And Play Awards in Silicon Valley, USA. This award is given to a company that has been considered as the most influential company in society. TBM has conducted a LCA (Life Cycle Assessments), collaborating with Oki Lab, IIS, the University of Tokyo since April 2016, and assessed water footprint and GHG emission through to raw materials and product manufacture in LIMEX sheets and pellet. Limestone, the main raw material of LIMEX developed by TBM, has abandoned reserves around the world and is the only self-sufficient resource among domestic mineral resources. Also, to produce LIMEX sheets, it requires almost no water and no wood pulp. It could possibly contribute to the SDG's such as "Clean water and sanitation" and "Sustainable cities and communities"

On the other hand, The CDP, the global environmental disclosure Not for Profit, based in the United Kingdom which works with shareholders and corporations to disclose the GHG emissions of major corporations. CDP has more than 800 signatories with \$100 trillion of assets with access to the unique CDP database, with over 2,500 of the largest listed companies providing data. Major multinationals and investors such as Hermes Investment Management view CDP as a valuable disclosure platform.

With this service partnership, TBM will strive to stand on the front line of Sustainability, and TBM supports CDP's activities that CDP disclosure provide the source of data for investors with in-depth data and analysis on a company impacts on environmentally. This service partnership came to agree because TBM and CDP have the same direction to align with strategic objectives toward a sustainable society.

Content of service partnership

Based on this service partnership, The Japanese version of CDP report of this year (Climate Change/Water) are made using a new material LIMEX. These reports have been distributed at 2017 CDP Japan report conference held at U Thant International Hall.

The Chairman of CDP Takejiro Sueyoshi said "Companies are expected to run their business concerning about environment by their investors and consumers. Although it requires a huge amount of water to producer paper with a traditional method, LIMEX came out as a sustainable alternative. Through this partnership with TBM Co., Ltd, I am rather glad that we could make our reports with LIMEX"

<http://www.lrqa.or.jp/news/2014/201404-cdp-veri-partner.aspx>

TBM's sustainability

TBM recognizes the environmental and social impact that business activities have on communities.

The CEO of TBM, Yamasaki said

"We will strive to achieve our goal "Create the future with using the experience from the past. Create a sustainable circulation innovation that is still going on after 100 years". In particular, we will establish priority tasks important to TBM's business activities and stakeholders, and will pursue strategies sustainability activities for SDGs.

Selection of CDP for TBM

TBM did voluntary questionnaire of CDP Water 2017 and CDP Climate change. As a result, CDP choose TBM as “CDP Water 2017 B List Company” due to TBM does business activities for Water resource issues.

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