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Nippon Life Insurance Company

Financing of Rolling Stock Project in Australia

Nippon Life Insurance Company (President : Hiroshi Shimizu, hereinafter “Nippon Life”) has executed a syndicated loan agreement to finance a rolling stock project in Australia (hereinafter “the Project”) amounting to AUD 250 million (approximately JPY 20.5 billion; hereinafter “the Loan”) with Reliance Rail Finance Pty Limited. The Loan is Nippon Life’s first sustainability linked loan in project finance.

The purpose of the Loan is to finance the replacement and maintenance of trains operating in Sydney through a well-established PPP (Public Private Partnership) with the New South Wales government. Reliance Rail has been providing a critical component of the public transport system, with the aim to improve availability, reliability, accessibility and operational performance of the fleet, and achieve strong safety.

The Loan is a sustainability linked loan aimed at facilitating and supporting environmentally and socially sustainable economic activities and growth by setting sustainability performance targets (hereinafter “SPTs”) that are consistent with sustainability goals based on the borrower’s management strategy and linking SPTs with borrowing terms, including interest rates, to increase incentives to achieve the goals.

Nippon Life is strengthening its ESG investment and finance, given its mission and the public nature of the life insurance business and from the standpoint that it has always worked to coexist with the environment, communities and society, and to share stable growth with the economy and other companies. Financing of the Project is one aspect of this.

Going forward, Nippon Life will continue to engage in ESG investment and financing with the aim of contributing to the realization of a sustainable society and better serving the interests of policyholders.

<Overview of the Loan>

Borrower	Reliance Rail Finance Pty Limited
Date of Implementation	February 28, 2022
Nippon Life Loan Amount	AUD 250 million (approximately JPY 20.5billion)