

Approval Obtained for Carbon Footprint Calculation Rules for Gold Products under the "SuMPO/Internal-PCR Approval System"

Matsuda Sangyo Co., Ltd. is pleased to announce that it has obtained approval for its carbon footprint of products (CFP) calculation rules for our gold products under the "SuMPO/Internal-PCR Approval System" provided by the Sustainable Management Promotion Organization (SuMPO), headquartered in Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, and represented by Representative Director Takehisa Kabeya.

Currently, as efforts toward achieving carbon neutrality accelerate, the disclosure of CFP information related to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions across companies and supply chains is increasingly required. The exchange of CFP information within and between companies and supply chains is also progressing. However, in many cases, standardized rules for collecting and calculating CFP data are not yet fully established, leading to challenges such as inconsistencies in the reliability and accuracy of calculation results among companies.

The "Internal-PCR Approval System" provided by SuMPO is an approval system targeting Internal-PCR, which are common CFP calculation rules for specific product categories used within companies. Under this system, SuMPO, with over 20 years of experience in life cycle assessment (LCA), evaluates and approves whether the CFP calculation rules developed by companies comply with the international standards for LCA, ISO 14040:2006 and ISO 14044:2006, which form the foundation for CFP calculation. By obtaining this approval, companies can ensure a high level of reliability and validity for their Internal-PCR. Furthermore, by developing and operating highly reliable and valid Internal-PCR, companies can enhance the visibility of environmental information for their products and promote internal and external communication using CFP data.

(Related link: ["Official page for the "Internal-PCR Approval System"](#))

Moving forward, we will adopt the Internal-PCR for the three gold products to further enhance the visibility of GHG emissions associated with our products. At the same time, we will work to reduce environmental impacts and contribute to solving GHG emission-related challenges faced by our customers and supply chains.

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