Press Release

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(Revision) Partial Revision to the "Formulation of the 2018 3-Year Business Plan"

Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. (SMM) hereby announces that there were misstatements in a part of the "Formulation of the 2018 3-Year Business Plan" announced on February 14, 2019, and revisions are made as outlined below.

The revised parts are underlined.

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