## Nomura Appointed Lead Investor for Nature-related Collaborative Engagement with Two Japanese Companies Respectively Under PRI Initiative 'Spring'

**Tokyo**, **June 27**, **2024**—Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd. (NAM), the core firm within the Investment Management Division of the Nomura Group, has been appointed as the lead investor for collaborative engagement with two Japanese companies under the Principles for Responsible Investment's stewardship initiative for biodiversity, 'Spring'. Among domestic institutional investors, NAM is the only lead investor to engage with Japanese companies.

Spring was launched in October 2023 and is a stewardship initiative dedicated to augmenting the role of the investment community in halting and reversing the loss of natural capital and biodiversity. As of today, including NAM\* the number of investors participating in Spring has reached 204, and their total assets under management amounts to \$15 trillion USD. Under the Spring initiative, each of the 40 major targeted companies will have an exclusive lead investor. Among Japanese institutional investors, as the only lead investor for domestic firms NAM will begin its collaborative engagement activities initially focusing on forest loss and land degradation as key drivers of biodiversity loss.

When making investment decisions, NAM evaluates both risks and opportunities via surveys and engagement activities related to natural capital and biodiversity. NAM will continue encouraging portfolio company contributions to enhancing long-term corporate value and the sustainability of society.

\* For further details, please refer to the link below. https://global.nomura-am.co.jp/media/pdf/20240208\_E1997D80.pdf

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