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Sumitomo Wiring Systems, Ltd.

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Notice regarding employment of top athletes **(women's rugby players)**

As of April 2, Sumitomo Wiring Systems, Ltd. (SWS) (Head office: Yokkaichi City, Mie Prefecture, President: Fumiyo KAWAI) has employed three promising women's rugby players who are likely to draw attention in the International Championship.

In anticipation of the "Mie Tokowaka Kokutai," the National Athletic Meet to be held in 2021, Mie Prefecture has established the "Mie Guideline for Improvement of Athletic Skills" and has been addressing regional activities through training and development of athletes and sports promotion. As part of this promotion program, Mie provides support for the employment of top athletes (Ath-Job-Mie).

In support of these activities of Mie Prefecture, we at SWS have also employed three top athletes, including one who was selected as a member of the women's rugby 7s and 15s national teams. We expect that the activities of these athletes and their inspiring performances will promote dreams, hopes, and vitality throughout the company, and help us foster a sense of solidarity. As we already had four athletes at SWS, we now have a total of seven employees that are athletes.

We will continue to play an active role in developing athletes in Mie Prefecture and providing support for sports promotion, such as support for the activities of club teams in the prefecture.

<Profile of athletes>

Name : Yuuki SUE
Position : Forward (flanker), Utility in rugby 7s
Major results :

- 2015 to 2017: Member of national team for Women's Rugby Asia Championship
- 2016: Participated in HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series (in Brazil)
- 2017: Member of national team for Women's Rugby World Cup 2017

Name : Kotomi TANIGUCHI
Position : Forward (hooker)
Major results :

- 2016: Participated in 2nd Japan Women's Rugby Football Championship (finished first).
- 2018: Participated in 4th Japan Women's Rugby Football Championship (finished first). Voted MVP.

Name : Moeri WADA
Position : Backs (wing)
Major results :

- 2017: Participated in National Athletic Meet in Ehime on behalf of Mie Prefecture (finished fifth)
- 2018: Participated in 4th Japan Women's Rugby Football Championship (finished second).