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Yuanta FHC Makes CDP Climate Change A List for 4th Consecutive Year, Leveraging Financial Influence and Engaging with the Public to Realize Carbon Reduction

CDP, an international not-for-profit organization, announced its latest assessment results for 2023. Yuanta Financial Holding Company (FHC) has made the Climate Change A List from CDP's global carbon disclosure project for four consecutive years, and has been ranked at the Leadership Level for six years in a row. As a mover and shaker on sustainable finance, Yuanta FHC has signed the Science Based Targets initiative's (SBTi) Corporate Net-Zero Standard pledge with the goal of net-zero emissions by 2050, and follows the SBT methodology to conduct a complete inventory of carbon emissions from investment and financing portfolios. Yuanta FHC also publishes the Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) Report, which transparently discloses the evaluation of risks and opportunities for climate-related businesses, promotes internal carbon reduction strategies through a systematic and scientific management approach, and provides a wide range of services in green financial commodities.

Yuanta FHC, as a green pioneer in the face of climate change, responds to the international trend of carbon reduction and is the first financial institution in Taiwan to internalize the external costs of greenhouse gas emissions and set a clear price for them. After passing the SBTi target review, Yuanta FHC continues to implement the ISO 50001 energy management system with the goal of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. Yuanta FHC has deployed the IEN Intelligent Energy Saving Monitoring System in Yuanta Group's own buildings to set up alarms for excess electricity consumption, use scientific data to grasp real-time information on electricity consumption, track the progress of energy-saving equipment replacement, and review the annual energy-

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saving actions on a rolling basis.

In terms of renewable energy utilization, Yuanta FHC's bank and securities branches became the first in Taiwan to use 100% green power in 2020, leading the way in creating the first year of green power in Taiwan's financial sector. Subsidiaries have begun to use renewable energy power in their operating locations. By 2022, including the five major subsidiaries of Yuanta Securities, Yuanta Bank, Yuanta Life, Yuanta Funds, and Yuanta Futures, nearly one-quarter of Yuanta Group's locations have been using renewable energy, and the use of green power has increased by 60% annually, making Yuanta FHC the financial services provider with the widest coverage in Taiwan.

In addition to practicing carbon reduction in our own operations, Yuanta FHC persists in expanding the scope of our carbon inventory in accordance with the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF) methodology and the TCFD disclosure recommendations, which serves as a basis for the management of investment and financing climate risks and opportunities, and we are implementing the Sustainable Finance Guidelines in our business. In recent years, the underwriting amount of green bonds has continued to increase. Yuanta FHC has taken practical actions to assist in the development of green technology, utilizing our advantage of having access to a large number of customers, and encouraging consumers to prioritize the choice of sustainable goods by offering loan preferential programs for low-carbon products and services, such as green buildings and petrol-electric vehicles. Furthermore, we have launched "Diamond-Gold Carbon Lucky Account" to reveal the amount of carbon emissions saved by our customers through the use of electronic exchanges, and to raise public awareness of carbon reduction.

Yuanta FHC has been actively implementing Yuanta Group's sustainable development strategy roadmap and aligning business strategies with international trends, earning the world's number one (No. 1) spot in the S&P Global Corporate

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Sustainability Assessment for the group of Diversified Financial Services and Capital Markets, and being listed as a constituent of the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index and the Dow Jones Sustainability Emerging Markets Index for five consecutive years.



Photo: Yuanta FHC has adopted renewable energy at nearly a quarter of business locations, and the green power usage has increased by 60% annually, making Yuanta FHC the financial services provider with the widest coverage in Taiwan.

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