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Yuanta FHC Recognized as CDP A-List Company, Aligning with Global Sustainability Standards and Responding to Risks and Opportunities of Climate Change

The Business Council for Sustainable Development Taiwan (BCSD Taiwan) co-organized the first “CDP Taiwan Presentation” with CDP and the Taiwan Stock Exchange on March 22, recognizing the companies that have made CDP’s A Lists of Climate Change and Water Security in 2023, and sharing the global sustainability disclosure standards and trends. Yuanta Financial Holding Company (FHC) has made the Climate Change A List for four consecutive years, and has been ranked at the Leadership Level for six consecutive years.

CDP is the world’s largest carbon disclosure non-profit organization. In her keynote speech, CDP’s Chief Impact Officer, Nicolette Bartlett, revealed that in the future, the guidance of the Taskforce for Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) will be used as a basis for upgrading the risk-opportunity assessment from identifying a company’s exposure to environmental impact to a measure of a company’s impact on environmental shocks and dependencies. CDP has also aligned its disclosure standards with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) S2 Climate-related Disclosures, which are consistent with the framework for the Task Force for Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).

In 2024, Yuanta FHC has become one of the Early Adopters to join the TNFD, focusing on nature and biodiversity issues by using ecology, public welfare, and impact as the main axes of communication in sustainability activities. In response to the international trend of carbon reduction, Yuanta FHC has signed the Science Based

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Targets initiative's (SBTi) Corporate Net-Zero Standard pledge with the goal of net-zero emissions by 2050, and has followed the SBT methodology to conduct a complete inventory of the carbon emissions of investment and financing portfolios, as well as published the TCFD Report, which transparently reveals the climate-related corporate assessment of risks and opportunities. In terms of renewable energy utilization, nearly one-quarter of Yuanta Group's locations has been using renewable energy since 2022, 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 reducing carbon emissions from our own operations, Yuanta FHC has implemented the Sustainable Finance Guidelines in our business. In recent years, we have continued to increase the amount of underwriting for green loans and sustainability-linked loans, and encourage consumers to prioritize sustainable goods by providing loan privileges for low-carbon products and services, such as green buildings and petrol-electric vehicles. We have also launched the "Diamond-Gold Carbon Lucky Account," which shows the amount of carbon emissions saved by our customers through the use of electronic exchanges to raise public awareness of carbon reduction.

Yuanta FHC has actively incorporated global standards and frameworks into business strategies, evaluating the risks and opportunities of climate change in the future to formulate countermeasures, continuing to exert financial impact, being at the forefront of promoting environmental disclosure, realizing Yuanta Group's blueprint for sustainable development, and joining hands with customers and suppliers to embark on the road to carbon reduction.

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