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DIC Publishes *DIC Report 2021* Integrated Report

—Highlights include an introduction to the DIC Group’s DX initiatives and a special feature on DIC Group products that contribute to the creation of social value—

Tokyo, Japan—DIC Corporation announced today the publication of the complete version of *DIC Report 2021*, the latest edition of its annual integrated report, which provides vital information on the DIC Group’s businesses, financial performance and sustainability initiatives, among others, in an efficient and coherent form.



As well as the Group’s efforts to address climate change and its digital transformation (DX) initiatives, *DIC Report 2021* includes a section on sustainable product development efforts employing the DIC Sustainability Index, and special features presenting DIC Group products that contribute to the creation of social value. DIC works with its approximately 170 Group companies around the world to contribute to the realization of a sustainable society. In addition to shining a spotlight on some of these efforts, the 2021 report announces an important new Group target, which is to achieve carbon neutrality—net zero CO₂ emissions—by fiscal year 2050 and to reduce its emissions of CO₂ by 50% from the fiscal year 2013 level by fiscal year 2030. Communication from management were expanded with the introduction of new messages from an outside director and the head of the ESG Unit.

To meet the needs of an increasing range of stakeholders, DIC prepares two versions of its annual integrated report: a detailed complete version containing extensive information and quantitative data (PDF only) and a streamlined summary version (printed and PDF). (The latter is scheduled for

publication in late September 2021.) Having pledged to contribute through its business activities to the success of the United Nations’ 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development—later summarized as the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—DIC has used the official icons of the SDGs to identify pertinent DIC Group initiatives in the sustainability portion of the report. To convey information in an accessible manner, the report was designed in accordance with the principles of color universal design (CUD),* earning official certification from Japan’s Color Universal Design Organization (CUDO). In consideration of the environment, the summary version will be printed using environment-friendly 100% vegetable oil–based inks manufactured by subsidiary DIC Graphics Corporation. In preparing the report, DIC referenced ISO 26000, the International Organization for Standardization’s standard for social responsibility, released in 2010, as well as Japan’s Responsible Care Code and the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)** GRI Standards, to ensure it provides the information sought by its diverse stakeholders.

The DIC Group is working to provide both social value, which contributes to sustainability and markets, and economic value, which underpins corporate growth, with the aim of becoming a unique global company that is trusted by society. Looking ahead, the Group will continue to use a variety of channels to extend information to its many stakeholders, as well as to encourage greater awareness of its activities.

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* CUD is a design philosophy that seeks to use color schemes that make products, facilities and structures, environments, services and information accessible to individuals with all types of color vision.

** The GRI is an international nonprofit organization, the mission of which is to formulate international sustainability standards. In its role as an official collaborating center of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the organization developed the GRI Standards, which apply to sustainability reporting by a variety of entities.

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