

August 21, 2012 SBI Holdings, Inc. (TOKYO: 8473 / Hong Kong: 6488)

SBI Holdings to File Second Lawsuit Against Facta Publishing

As mentioned in our press release dated August 18, 2012, SBI Holdings, Inc. (hereafter "SBIH") does not tolerate published articles that contain baseless and malicious statements about the SBI Group, such as the one that appeared in the September 2012 issue of FACTA. SBIH has therefore decided to take legal action, including the filing of another defamation lawsuit against parties including Facta Publishing, Co. Ltd. (hereafter "Facta Publishing"), seeking compensatory damages and other remedies.

SBIH has already filed, on March 7, 2012, one lawsuit against Facta Publishing and its representative in the Tokyo District Court in response to an article published in the January 2012 issue of FACTA (details in our press release issued on March 8, 2012). However, despite that lawsuit, Facta Publishing continues to publish baseless libelous articles against SBIH. Therefore, given this background, in this second lawsuit SBIH seeks an appropriate judicial ruling against Facta Publishing.

In addition, with regards to these series of malicious articles published by Facta Publishing, SBIH intends to pursue action with the relevant regulators.

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