

August 31, 2012 SBI Holdings, Inc. (TOKYO: 8473 / Hong Kong: 6488)

## Second Lawsuit Filed Against Facta Publishing and its Representative

SBI Holdings, Inc. (hereafter "SBIH") announces that SBIH and Mr. Yoshitaka Kitao, its Representative Director, President & CEO (in his individual capacity), have jointly filed, in the Tokyo District Court, another lawsuit against Facta Publishing Ltd. (hereafter "Facta Publishing") and its representative director Mr. Shigeo Abe.

As mentioned in our press release dated August 21, 2012, SBIH does not tolerate published articles that contain baseless statements about SBIH and Mr. Kitao, such as the one that appeared in the September 2012 issue of Facta Publishing's monthly magazine, "FACTA". We have therefore filed a new lawsuit against Facta Publishing and Mr. Abe, seeking compensatory damages for defamation and the publication of an official retraction and apology in FACTA and on its website "FACTA online."

We have already filed, on March 7, 2012, one lawsuit against Facta Publishing and the representative in the Tokyo District Court in response to an article about SBIH, Mr. Kitao and SBI Investment Co., Ltd. published in the January 2012 issue of FACTA. However, despite that lawsuit, Facta Publishing continues to publish baseless libelous articles, and given this background, we decided to bring this second lawsuit.

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