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SBI Holdings, Inc.
SBI Investment Co., Ltd.

Completion of Solicitation for the FinTech Fund, a Venture Capital Fund Targeting FinTech-related Companies

SBI Investment Co., Ltd. (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director and President: Katsuya Kawashima; hereinafter “SBI Investment”), a wholly owned subsidiary of the SBI Holdings (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director and CEO: Yoshitaka Kitao) that engages in venture capital fund operation and management hereby announces that it has completed the solicitation of investors for the FinTech Fund (fund name: FinTech Business Innovation LPS; hereinafter the “Fund”), which intends to invest in promising venture companies in the FinTech field, since the fund size has reached the total commitment target amount of JPY 30 billion.

The solicitation for a total commitment amount of JPY 30 billion, an amount of capital promised to be contributed to the Fund, was completed on June 30, 2016. This was because capital was contributed newly by entities such as SoftBank Group Corp., Mizuho Bank, Ltd. and The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited with the number of capital-contributing regional banks rising to over 20, among numerous other investors. This followed a period in which we continued to perform solicitation activities for the Fund since its inception in December 2015, seeking to achieve the above-mentioned amount. The Fund’s investing activities have resulted in its investment target acquisition/selection process going smoothly. In addition to having invested into freee K.K. in an inaugural investment action, the Fund has already decided to invest in 14 FinTech-related companies, which shows it to be making aggressive efforts for investments targeting promising both Japanese and foreign venture companies in the FinTech business field.

The Fund will continuously support open innovation between the fund investors and investee companies, to promote the introduction and utilization of the FinTech-related technologies by the fund investors, while boosting the value of investee companies. In support, the SBI Group companies will liaise with investee companies to conduct demonstration tests of FinTech technologies and services, to build a system that encourages the Fund’s investors to smoothly introduce FinTech technologies, while minimizing the initial cost of introduction.

After years of aggressively investing in venture companies in growth fields, such as the IT, mobile and bio-life science sectors, the SBI Group is now equipped with a wealth of experience in investing in and developing such companies. We will continue to make aggressive efforts to develop next-generation industries and enhance the enterprise value of the venture companies invested in.

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● Major investors of the Fund

The Bank of Yokohama, Ltd.	SoftBank Corp.
The Ashikaga Bank, Ltd.	SoftBank Group Corp.
The San-in Godo Bank, Ltd.	Mizuho Financial Group (Mizuho Bank, Ltd., Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd.)
The Daisan Bank, Ltd.	Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited
Kiyo Holdings, Inc.	GLORY LTD.
The Michinoku Bank, Ltd.	Sony Financial Holdings Inc.
The Aomori Bank, Ltd.	TOPPAN PRINTING CO., LTD.
The Tokushima Bank, Ltd.	The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited
The Hokuto Bank, Ltd.	DTS CORPORATION
Bank of The Ryukyus, Limited	Shinsei Bank, Limited
The Nagano Bank, Ltd.	Canon Marketing Japan Inc.
The Shimizu Bank, Ltd.	AIZAWA SECURITIES CO., LTD.
The Kita-Nippon Bank, Ltd.	Japan Asia Securities Co., Ltd.
The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.	Densan System Co., Ltd.
Tsukuba Bank, Ltd.	Panasonic System Networks Co., Ltd.
The Tochigi Bank, Ltd.	WELLNET CORPORATION
THE TOHO BANK, LTD.	RACCOON CO.,LTD.
THE BANK OF KOCHI, LTD.	PIPEDO HD, Inc.
The Shikoku Bank, Ltd.	Showcase-TV Inc.
The Ehime Bank, Ltd.	Tokai Tokyo Investment Co., Ltd.
THE IYO BANK, LTD.	investors cloud co., ltd.
The Towa Bank, Ltd.	Eugene Investment & Securities Co. Ltd (South Korea)
Tono Shinkin Bank Ltd.	ATM Japan, Ltd.
	SBI Capital Management Co., Ltd.

Other than the above, 6 more companies