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Announcement of the Establishment of iSigma Business Advancement Fund IV Investment Limited Partnership

iSigma Capital Corporation

As of October 14, 2022, iSigma Capital Corporation (“we” hereafter) established iSigma Business Advancement Fund IV Investment Limited Partnership (“BAF IV” hereafter), which invests in small and mid-sized companies in Japan.

This is the successor fund of the iSigma Business Advancement Fund III Investment Limited Partnership (“BAF III” hereafter), which we manage and operate. In the midst of growing uncertainty in the management environment surrounding small and medium enterprises, mainly due to the impact of COVID-19 and disrupted supply chains, we will focus on investments that help in business succession planning and also work on the carve-out process of corporate groups, an area expected to grow in tandem with rising awareness of corporate governance.

By multiplying the knowledge and network of the general trading company Marubeni Corporation (“Marubeni” hereafter) and the Marubeni Group rooted in their businesses in a diverse array of industries with the business improvement methods we have accumulated in our operation of investment funds, and acting as a business partner that is not only a supplier of funds, we will promote the continued business growth and development of portfolio companies, working with them to improve their corporate value. We are determined to contribute to the sustained development of the Japanese economy through the development of portfolio companies and offer attractive investment opportunities to investors.

<Company profile of iSigma Capital Corporation (Notified Business Operator of Specially Permitted Business for Qualified Institutional Investors)>

iSigma Capital Corporation was incorporated in 2000 with a 100% contribution by Marubeni and operates a private equity fund business. In its iSigma Business Advancement Fund series, the total number of investment projects in which we act as a buyout fund reached 19 companies and the total investment exceeded 45.0 billion yen during the period between 2008 and 2021.

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Stockholders:	Marubeni Corporation 100%
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