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Chiba Bank Announces “Sustainable Finance Revitalization Partnership Agreement” with Tokyo Metropolitan Government

December 27, 2022 - The Chiba Bank, Ltd. (President: Tsutomu Yonemoto) (“Chiba Bank” or “the Bank”) is pleased to announce that it has signed a "Sustainable Finance Revitalization Partnership Agreement" with the Tokyo Metropolitan Government (Governor: Yuriko Koike).

The purpose of this agreement is to foster mutual collaboration between Chiba Bank and the Tokyo Metropolitan Government as a means to revitalize sustainable finance for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) located in Tokyo through the "Sustainability Management Promotion Project"* developed by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government.

The Bank launched the “Chiba Bank Sustainability-Linked Loan” in October of last year. As a part of this agreement, when SMEs located in Tokyo take out a “Chiba Bank Sustainability-Linked Loan”, they are eligible to receive subsidies from the Tokyo Metropolitan Government intended to cover a portion of the costs related to the external evaluations, etc., required for the loan’s formation on the condition that certain requirements are met.

As a partner to customers and regional communities, the entire Chiba Bank Group will continue to further promote initiatives designed to help solve social and environmental issues as well as contribute to the realization of a sustainable society.

*An initiative in which SMEs located in the Tokyo Metropolitan Area that take out sustainability-linked loans (SLLs) can receive subsidies for a portion of the expenses required for setting management targets, verifying their achievement progress, and acquiring external evaluations, etc.

【Partnership initiatives based on the agreement】

- (1) Promotion of the project’s aim to encourage SMEs to make a shift towards sustainability management
- (2) Awareness-raising activities designed to improve sustainability management literacy among members of management
- (3) Dissemination of information regarding project case studies
- (4) Information sharing regarding sustainable finance initiatives and trends

【Project Outline】

