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Avida Holding AB (publ) announces its intention to conduct a directed share issue of NOK 75 million that is fully pre-committed by key shareholders

Avida Holding AB (publ) ("Avida" or the "Company") has appointed DNB Markets ("DNB"), a part of DNB Bank ASA, to explore the conditions for conducting a directed share issue of NOK 75 million (the "Share Issue") at a subscription price of NOK 30 per share through a bookbuilding procedure (the "Bookbuilding").

The key shareholders Andenes Investments SL, Midelfart Capital AS and IC Financial AS have committed to subscribe for shares at an aggregate amount of NOK 75 million. The Bookbuilding is expected to be completed in the short-term subject to market conditions. The final terms will be proposed based on the Bookbuilding.

The Share Issue will be directed towards Norwegian, Swedish and international institutional investors, and certain of the Company's existing shareholders, and will be subject to a resolution by an extraordinary shareholders' meeting of the Company.

The purpose of the Share Issue is to provide capital to the Company to facilitate an expansion of the Company's and its subsidiary Avida Finans AB (publ)'s business. A directed share issue to certain selected investors has, in the interest of time and for cost efficiency purposes in relation to the limited size of Share Issue, been considered to be most suitable way of achieving the purpose of the Share Issue.

The Share Issue will be carried out based on an exemption from the applicable prospectus rules and regulations and no prospectus will be prepared.

DLA Piper is acting as legal advisor of the Company and DNB is acting as sole manager for the Bookbuilding.

This information is information that Avida Holding AB (publ) is obliged to make public pursuant to the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The information was submitted for publication, through the contact persons set out below, at [24 October 2019].

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Avida is a credit market company that since the start in 1983 has focused on offering loans to individuals and corporates. We are currently about 120 employees, with headquarters in Stockholm and offices in Oslo and Helsinki. We are building a high growth and high-quality business that will not tail off in growth and we have a growth target of SEK10bn loan book by 2020. At Avida we are not like everybody else in this business, we will always go that extra mile to help our customers turn their plans into reality and we promise that we always give our customer the proper attention and the chance to get the financing they need.

Avida is under the supervision of the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority and our share is listed on NOTC, Oslo stock exchange and like all Swedish banks and credit market companies, we are covered by the state deposit insurance.

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Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the shares in the Company and determining appropriate distribution channels.					