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**Yangzhou Guangling District Taihe Rural Micro-finance  
Company Limited**

**揚州市廣陵區泰和農村小額貸款股份有限公司**

*(A joint stock limited liability company incorporated in People's Republic of China)*

**(Stock Code: 8252)**

**PLEDGE OF DOMESTIC SHARES BY CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS**

This announcement is made by Yangzhou Guangling District Taihe Rural Micro-finance Company Limited (the “**Company**”) pursuant to Rule 17.43 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“**GEM Listing Rules**”).

The Company has been notified on 12 December 2017 that, Jiangsu Botai Group Co., Ltd.\* (江蘇柏泰集團有限公司) (“**Botai Group**”) and Jiangsu Liantai Fashion Shopping Mall Real Estate Co., Ltd.\* (江蘇聯泰時尚購物廣場置業有限公司) (“**Liantai Guangchang**”), the controlling shareholders of the Company (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules), have pledged 45,000,000 and 35,000,000 domestic shares of the Company in favour of an independent commercial bank as securities for bank facilities in the amount of RMB 40,000,000 and RMB 30,000,000 respectively. As at the date of this announcement, Botai Group and Liantai Guangchang have an aggregate interest of approximately 71.7% of the total issued share capital of the Company. The pledged domestic shares represent approximately 18.6% of the aggregate domestic shares held by Botai Group and Liantai Guangchang, approximately 17.8% of the total number of domestic shares in issue, and approximately 13.3% of the total issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this announcement. The bank facilities are intended to be used to supplement the working capital and promote the business development of Botai Group and Liantai Guangchang. Mr. Bo Wanlin, the Chairman and executive Director of the Company, Ms. Bai Li, the executive Director of the Company, and Mr. Bo Nianbin, the non-executive Director of the Company, have direct and indirect interests in Botai Group and Liantai Guangchang.

By Order of the Board  
**Yangzhou Guangling District Taihe Rural  
Micro-finance Company Limited**  
**Bo Wanlin**  
*Chairman*

Yangzhou, the PRC, 12 December 2017

\* *For identification purpose only*

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises three executive Directors, namely Mr. Bo Wanlin, Ms. Bai Li and Ms. Zhou Yinqing; two non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Bo Nianbin and Mr. Zuo Yuchao and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Bao Zhenqiang, Mr. Wu Xiankun and Mr. Chan So Kuen.*

*This announcement, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.*

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