

# FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS ADVISES VERIFONE HOLDINGS ON THE ACQUISITION OF TRINTECH'S PAYMENT SYSTEMS BUSINESS

# FT PARTNERS' SIXTH SUCCESSFUL ADVISORY ASSIGNMENT FOR VERIFONE AND FIFTH CROSS-BORDER M&A TRANSACTION

**San Francisco, August 14, 2006** – Financial Technology Partners LP and FTP Securities LLC (together, "FT Partners"), founded by former Goldman Sachs (NYSE: GS) senior banker Steve McLaughlin, today announced the completion of another successful transaction in the financial technology sector with its representation of VeriFone Holdings, Inc. (NYSE:PAY) in the acquisition of the payment solutions business of Trintech Group Plc (NASDAQ: TTPA) in an all-cash transaction in the amount of \$12.1 million. The transaction is expected to close by the end of August, 2006.

"We are extremely pleased to have worked with Doug Bergeron and his entire management team in executing this transaction for VeriFone," said Steve McLaughlin, FT Partners' Founder and Managing Partner. "The fact that we have advised VeriFone on six consecutive mission-critical assignments demonstrates our ability to work on a broad array of transaction types, for both private and public companies, with an unrelenting focus on client satisfaction."

Trintech's unattended and outdoor payment systems enhance VeriFone's solutions in the growing markets for self-service payment, vending, and pay-at-the-pump applications. The acquisition includes a range of payment systems that will support and extend VeriFone's existing offerings for merchants and financial institutions. VeriFone will take over distribution of those products and will provide existing customers with service and support. The acquisition of Trintech's payment business and its strong customer relationships will further enhance VeriFone's leadership in the growing and ever changing electronic payments business, as well as continue the Company's expansion into new markets.

The acquisition of Trintech's payments business is FT Partners' sixth advisory assignment for VeriFone over the last several years. FT Partners has played a critical or lead advisory role in every single one of VeriFone's M&A and financing transactions in recent history, including its \$177 million initial public offering (one of the best performing IPOs of 2005), its \$292 million bank refinancing, the acquisition of GO Software and its upcoming \$500 million financing for the acquisition of Lipman, among others.

### About Financial Technology Partners LP and FTP Securities LLC

FT Partners is the only investment banking firm focused exclusively on providing strategic and financial advisory services to CEOs in the dynamic financial services and technology sector. Mr. McLaughlin formerly was a senior investment banker in Goldman, Sachs & Co.'s Financial Technology Group and was the senior investment banker in the Financial Institutions Group in San Francisco before leaving the firm to form FT Partners. FT Partners is comprised of a team of experienced investment bankers formerly with the financial technology, M&A and investment banking groups of Goldman Sachs, Credit Suisse First Boston, and J.P. Morgan. FT Partners was recognized by The M&A Advisor as "Investment Banking Firm of the Year" for 2004 and for its role as IPO advisor to VeriFone Holdings, Inc. (NYSE:PAY) in the "Computer and Information Technology Deal of the Year" for 2005. The firm offers CEO-level services, including mergers

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and acquisitions advisory, IPO advisory, refinancing, recapitalization and private capital raising. FT Partners was founded by Mr. McLaughlin in late 2001 and is based in San Francisco. Steven J. McLaughlin is a registered representative of FTP Securities LLC, an NASD broker-dealer and a wholly owned subsidiary of Financial Technology Partners L.P. Any securities related transactions contemplated by or acted upon hereunder are conducted solely by Mr. McLaughlin in this capacity. For additional information, visit <a href="http://www.ftpartners.com">http://www.ftpartners.com</a>.

### About VeriFone Holdings, Inc.

VeriFone Holdings, Inc. ("VeriFone") (NYSE: PAY), a global leader in secure electronic payment technologies, provides expertise, solutions and services for today with a migration strategy for tomorrow. VeriFone delivers solutions that add value to the point of sale, resulting in improved merchant retention and the generation of new sources of revenue for its partners and customers. VeriFone solutions are specifically designed to meet the needs of vertical markets including financial, retail, petroleum, government and healthcare.

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