News Release



Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd.

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Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd. (JCR) announces the following credit rating.

Daiwa Green Finance Program Trust Beneficial Interest and Trust ABL (Kumamoto Kikuchi Solar Power Plant)

<Assignment>

Beneficial Interest: BBB ABL: BBB

Rationale

This is a rating to the project finance for the solar power project in Kikuchi-gun, Kumamoto Prefecture, which is sponsored by Daiwa Energy & Infrastructure Co. Ltd. The project is expected to generate relatively stable cash flows over the life of the project, on the grounds, among others, that: (i) revenue is based on the feed-in tariff system; (ii) the project uses solar panels and PCSs manufactured by highly reliable, major manufacturers; and (iii) an EPC contractor with high creditworthiness and construction capabilities took charge of construction, and commercial operation has already been started. Although there are some possible earnings volatility factors, such as changes in solar radiation quantity, output curtailment, greater-than-expected drop in power generation performance and rises in operating costs, JCR has confirmed that, even when a considerable amount of stress is applied by combining multiple factors, the capacity to perform obligations will be maintained thanks to mechanisms including reserves, dividend suspension triggers and Cash Full Sweep for output curtailment.

* JCR assigned a Green Bond Evaluation "Green 1" and Green Loan Evaluation "Green 1" to the beneficial interest and trust ABL rated hereunder. For the details, please refer to JCR's press releases 22-D-0178 and 22-D-0179. JCR's sustainable finance evaluation is different from its credit rating and does not promise to provide or make publicly available a predetermined credit rating.

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<Assignment>

Instrument Name	Initial Issue/ Execution Amount	Trust Termination Date	Coupon Type	Rating
Beneficial Interest	JPY 4,740,000,000	Mar. 31, 2040	Fixed	BBB
Trust ABL	JPY 4,000,000,000	Mar. 31, 2040	Fixed	BBB

<Information on Outline of Issue>

Trust Establishment Date: May 27, 2022
Beneficial Interest Assignment Date/ ABL Execution Date:

May 27, 2022

Redemption/Repayment Method: Scheduled Redemption/Repayment

Credit Enhancement & Liquidity Facility: NA

Cash Reserve and Senior-subordinated Structure as Credit Enhancement & Liquidity Facility with respect to loan claims,

which are underlying assets

<Information on Structure and Stakeholders>

Entrustor: Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd.

Trustee: J-Value Trust Company, Limited

Mega Solar Project Operator:

Asset Manager:

Natural Energy Partners Taiyoko Hatsuden a G.K.

GSSG Solar Japan Asset Management G.K.

Arranger: Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd.

<Information on Underlying Assets>

Outline of Underlying Assets: Loan claims against the mega solar project operator



Rating Assignment Date: May 27 2022

The assumptions for the credit ratings and the definitions of the rating symbols are published as "Types of Credit Ratings and Definitions of Rating Symbols" (January 6, 2014) in Information about JCR Ratings on JCR's website (https://www.jcr.co.jp/en/).

Outline of the rating methodology is shown as "Project Finance" (August 28, 2012) in Information about JCR Ratings on JCR's website (https://www.jcr.co.jp/en/). Rating methodologies for other ancillary points such as eligible deposit accounts and bankruptcy remoteness are also shown within the same page.

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