News Release



Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd

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

SPARC Limited Series 2023-04

<Credit Monitor Removal> <Affirmation> Notes: from #AA-/Negative to AA-

After reviewing the rating stakeholders, JCR has removed SPARC Limited Series 2023-04 from the Credit Monitor and affirmed the rating of AA- as detailed hereunder.

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Rating

<Credit Monitor Removal> <Affirmation>

Instrument Name: Series 2023-04

Issue Amount (bn): JPY 5

Issue Date: September 19, 2023 Maturity Date: September 19, 2025

Rating: AA-

<Information on Structure and Stakeholders>

Issuer: SPARC Limited

Arranger: UBS AG Swap Counterparty: UBS AG

<Information on Underlying Assets>

Outline of Underlying Assets: Swap Agreement, Securities

Rating Assignment Date: September 27, 2023

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 "Repackaged Financial Instruments" (August 5, 2019) 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.

The rating stakeholder participated in the rating process of the aforementioned credit ratings.

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