## **News Release**



Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd.

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

## Azusa Limited Series 504

<Assignment> Notes: BBB

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Azusa Limited Series 504 is a repackaged financial instrument, to which JCR has assigned a rating of BBB, as detailed hereunder.

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Rating	
<assignment> Instrument Name: Issue Amount (bn): Issue Date: Redemption Date: Rating:</assignment>	Series 504 JPY 0.7 June 28, 2023 June 23, 2026 BBB
<information and="" on="" stakeholders="" structure=""> Issuer: Arranger: Swap Counterparty:</information>	Azusa Limited Merrill Lynch International Merrill Lynch International
<information assets="" on="" underlying=""> Outline of Underlying Assets:</information>	Notes, Asset Swap Agreement

Rating Assignment Date: June 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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