News Release



Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd

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

<Asset Securitization Products> Ascent Finance Limited Series 2022-1006

<Affirmation>
Notes: A

Ascent Finance Limited Series 2022-1006 is a credit-linked product, for which JCR has affirmed the rating of A, as detailed hereunder.

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Rating

<Affirmation>

Instrument Name: Series 2022-1006

Issue Amount (bn): JPY 1

Subordination Ratio:

Redemption Date: December 28, 2028

Coupon Type: Fixed Rating: A

<Information on Outline of Issue>

Issue Date: February 25, 2022

Interest Payment Date: June 28 and December 28 every year

Redemption Method: Bullet Redemption

Credit Enhancement & Liquidity Facility: NA

<Information on Structure and Stakeholders>

SPC: Ascent Finance Limited
Arranger: Credit Suisse International
Swap Counterparty: Credit Suisse International

<Information on Underlying Assets>

Outline of Underlying Assets: JGBs, CDS Agreement, Asset Swap Agreement

Rating Assignment Date: March 30, 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 "Credit-Linked Products" (December 3, 2012) in Structured Finance, Rating Methodology on JCR's website (http://www.jcr.co.jp/english/). 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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