

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

Ascent Finance Limited Series 2022-1009

<Assignment>
Notes: AA-

Ascent Finance Limited Series 2022-1009 is a repackaged product, to which JCR has assigned a rating of AA-, as detailed hereunder.

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Rating

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| Instrument Name: | Series 2022-1009 |
| Issue Amount (bn): | JPY 1 |
| Issue Date: | March 28, 2022 |
| Redemption Date: | September 8, 2028 |
| Rating: | AA- |

<Information on Structure and Stakeholders>

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| Issuer: | Ascent Finance Limited |
| Arranger: | Credit Suisse International |
| Swap Counterparty: | Credit Suisse International |

<Information on Underlying Assets>

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| Outline of Underlying Assets: | Bonds, Cross-Currency Swap Agreement |
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Rating Assignment Date: March 25, 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 "Repackaged Financial Instruments" (August 5, 2019) in Information about JCR Ratings on JCR's website (<https://www.jcr.co.jp/en/>).

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