

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

ZEST Investments B Series 1612-B01

<Affirmation>

Notes: A+

ZEST Investments B Series 1612-B01 is a repackaged financial instrument, for which JCR has affirmed a rating of A+, as detailed hereunder.

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Rating

<Affirmation>

Instrument Name:	Series 1612-B01
Issue Amount (bn):	JPY 0.5
Maturity Date:	December 24, 2036
Coupon Type:	Fixed till coupon payment date in December 2017 and floating interest rate thereafter
Rating:	A+

<Information on Outline of Issue>

Issue Date:	January 10, 2017
Coupon Payment Dates:	June 24 and December 24
Repayment Method:	Bullet Repayment (However, there is an optional call clause)
Credit Enhancement & Liquidity Facility:	NA

<Information on Structure and Stakeholders>

SPC:	ZEST Investments B
Arranger:	Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Limited
Swap Counterparty:	Daiwa Securities Co., Ltd.
Calculation Agent:	Daiwa Securities Co., Ltd.
Trustee:	BNY Mellon Corporate Trustee Services Limited

<Information on Underlying Assets>

Outline of Underlying Assets:	JGBs, Callable Swap Agreement
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Rating Assignment Date: March 1, 2018

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Outline of methodology for determination of the credit rating is shown as "Repackaged Financial Instruments" (December 3, 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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