News Release



Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd

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

Vector Asset Funding Corporation

<Affirmation>

ABCP program: J-1+

Rationale

Following the affirmation of ratings for Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited ("SMTB"), JCR affirmed the "J-1+" rating on the ABCP program of Vector Asset Funding Corporation, to which SMTB provides a 100% credit enhancement and liquidity facility.

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Rating

<Affirmation>

Instrument Name: ABCP Program Maximum: JPY 300 billion

Credit Enhancement & Liquidity Facility: 100% Loan Commitment Agreement by Sumitomo Mitsui Trust

Bank, Limited

Rating: J-1+

Rating Assignment Date: October 11, 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 "ABCP Programs" (June 1, 2016) 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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