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#### **COMUNICACIÓN DE HECHO RELEVANTE**

## FTPYME TDA 7, FONDO DE TITULIZACIÓN DE ACTIVOS Actuaciones sobre las calificaciones de los bonos por parte de Standard & Poor's.

Titulización de Activos, Sociedad Gestora de Fondos de Titulización, S.A. comunica el siguiente Hecho Relevante:

- I. Respecto al fondo de referencia, adjuntamos nota de prensa publicada por Standard & Poor´s, con fecha 30 de enero de 2015, donde se llevan a cabo las siguientes actuaciones:
  - Bono A1, de A (sf) a AA (sf).
  - Bono A2, de **A (sf)** a **AA (sf)**.

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# Ratings Raised On Spanish SME CLO Transaction FTPYME TDA 7's Series A1 And A2 Notes Following Criteria Update

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#### OVERVIEW

- We have reviewed FTPYME TDA 7 under our updated criteria for rating single-jurisdiction securitizations above the sovereign foreign currency rating.
- We have also applied our SME CLO and current counterparty criteria to perform our credit and cash flow analysis.
- Following our review, we have raised to 'AA (sf)' from 'A (sf)' our ratings on the series A1 and A2 notes.
- FTPYME TDA 7 is a single-jurisdiction cash flow CLO transaction backed by SME loans. It closed in December 2007 and is currently amortizing.

LONDON (Standard & Poor's) Jan. 30, 2015--Standard & Poor's Ratings Services today raised to 'AA (sf)' from 'A (sf)' its credit ratings on FTPYME TDA 7, Fondo de Titulizacion de Activos' series A-1 and A-2 notes.

Upon publishing our updated criteria for rating single-jurisdiction securitizations above the sovereign foreign currency rating (RAS criteria), we placed those ratings that could potentially be affected "under criteria observation" (see "EMEA Structured Finance, Covered Bond, And Multicedulas

Ratings Placed Under Criteria Observation" and "Methodology And Assumptions For Ratings Above The Sovereign--Single-Jurisdiction Structured Finance," published on Sept. 18, 2014 and Sept. 19, 2014, respectively).

Following our review of this transaction, our ratings that could potentially be affected by the criteria are no longer under criteria observation.

We have used data from the November 2014 investor report to perform our credit and cash flow analysis and have applied our European small and midsize enterprise (SME) collateralized loan obligation (CLO) criteria and our current counterparty criteria (see "European SME CLO Methodology And Assumptions," published on Jan. 10, 2013, and "Counterparty Risk Framework Methodology And Assumptions," published on June 25, 2013). For ratings in this transaction that are above our rating on the sovereign, we have also applied our RAS criteria.

#### CREDIT ANALYSIS

FTPYME TDA 7 is a single-jurisdiction cash flow CLO transaction securitizing a portfolio of SME loans that was originated by Banco Guipuzcoano S.A. in Spain. The transaction closed in December 2007.

We have applied our European SME CLO criteria to determine the scenario default rate (SDR)--the minimum level of portfolio defaults that we expect each tranche to be able to withstand at a specific rating level using CDO Evaluator.

To determine the SDR, we adjusted the archetypical European SME average 'b+' credit quality to reflect two factors (country and originator and portfolio selection adjustments).

We ranked the originator into the adequate category (see tables 1, 2, and 3 in our European SME CLO criteria). Taking into account Spain's Banking Industry Country Risk Assessment (BICRA) score of '5' and the originator's average annual observed default frequency, we have applied a downward adjustment of one notch to the 'b+' archetypical average credit quality (see "Banking Industry Country Risk Assessment Update: January 2015," published on Jan. 12, 2015). To address differences in the creditworthiness of the securitized portfolio compared with the originator's entire loan book, we further adjusted the average credit quality by three notches (see table 4 in our European SME CLO criteria).

As a result of these adjustments, our average credit quality assessment of the portfolio was 'ccc', which we used to generate our 'AAA' SDR of 89.81%.

We have calculated the 'B' SDR, based primarily on our analysis of historical SME performance data and our projections of the transaction's future performance. We have reviewed the originator's historical default data, and assessed market developments, macroeconomic factors, changes in country risk, and the way these factors are likely to affect the loan portfolio's

creditworthiness. As a result of this analysis, our 'B' SDR is 17%.

We interpolated the SDRs for rating levels between 'B' and 'AAA' in accordance with our European SME CLO criteria.

#### RECOVERY RATE ANALYSIS

We applied a weighted-average recovery rate (WARR) at each liability rating level by considering the asset type and its seniority, the country recovery grouping, and the observed historical recoveries in this transaction (see table 7 in our European SME CLO criteria).

#### COUNTRY RISK

Our long-term rating on the Kingdom of Spain is 'BBB'. Our RAS criteria require the tranche to have sufficient credit enhancement to pass a minimum of a "severe" stress to qualify to be rated above the sovereign (see "Understanding Standard & Poor's Rating Definitions," published on June 3, 2009 for our definitions of severe and extreme levels of economic stress).

#### CASH FLOW ANALYSIS

We used the reported portfolio balance that we considered to be performing, the principal cash balance, the current weighted-average spread, and the weighted-average recovery rates that we considered to be appropriate. We subjected the capital structure to various cash flow stress scenarios, incorporating different default patterns and timings and interest rate curves, to determine the rating level, based on the available credit enhancement for each class of notes under our European SME CLO criteria.

Under our RAS criteria, we can rate a securitization up to four notches above our foreign currency rating on the sovereign if the tranche can withstand "severe" stresses. However, if all six of the conditions in paragraph 48 of the RAS criteria are met (including credit enhancement being sufficient to pass an extreme stress), we can assign ratings in this transaction up to a maximum of six notches (two additional notches of uplift) above the sovereign rating. The available credit enhancement for the series A-1 and A-2 notes withstands extreme stresses. We have therefore raised to 'AA (sf)' from 'A (sf)' our ratings on these classes of notes.

#### STANDARD & POOR'S 17G-7 DISCLOSURE REPORT

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If applicable, the Standard & Poor's 17g-7 Disclosure Report included in this credit rating report is available at http://standardandpoorsdisclosure-17g7.com

#### RELATED CRITERIA AND RESEARCH

#### Related Criteria

- Global Framework For Assessing Operational Risk In Structured Finance Transactions, Oct. 9, 2014
- Methodology And Assumptions For Ratings Above The Sovereign--Single-Jurisdiction Structured Finance, Sept. 19, 2014
- Update To Global Methodologies And Assumptions For Corporate Cash Flow And Synthetic CDOs, Aug. 1, 2014
- Counterparty Risk Framework Methodology And Assumptions, June 25, 2013
- European SME CLO Methodology And Assumptions, Jan. 10, 2013

#### Related Research

- Banking Industry Country Risk Assessment Update: January 2015, Jan. 12, 2015
- Standard & Poor's Ratings Definitions, Nov. 20, 2014
- EMEA Structured Finance, Covered Bond, And Multicedulas Ratings Placed Under Criteria Observation, Sept. 18, 2014
- European Structured Finance Scenario And Sensitivity Analysis 2014: The Effects Of The Top Five Macroeconomic Factors, July 8, 2014
- Global Structured Finance Scenario And Sensitivity Analysis: Understanding The Effects Of Macroeconomic Factors On Credit Quality, July 2, 2014
- European SME Mapping Model, Jan. 25, 2013
- Ratings Affirmed In FTPYME TDA 7 Spanish SME Securitization Despite Portfolio Deterioration, Nov. 14, 2012

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