News Release



Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd

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

<a>Asset Securitization Products> Earls Four Limited Series 1081

<Rating Change>

Notes: from A to A+

JCR reviewed the rating stakeholders and has upgraded the rating for the notes of Earls Four Limited Series 1081 to A+, as detailed hereunder.

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Rating

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Instrument Name: Series 1081 Issue Amount (bn): JPY 1.0

Subordination Ratio:

Scheduled Redemption Date: April 21, 2033

Coupon Type: Fixed Rating: A+

<Information on Outline of Issue>

Issue Date: July 7, 2022

Coupon Payment Dates: April 21 and October 21 every year

Redemption Method: Bullet Redemption

Credit Enhancement & Liquidity Facility: NA

<Information on Underlying Assets>

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

Rating Assignment Date: March 6, 2025

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 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.

The rating stakeholder participated in the rating process of the aforementioned credit ratings.

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