

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

Ascent Finance Limited Series 2019-1020 Ascent Finance Limited Series 2019-1033

<Rating Change>

Notes: from A- to A

Ascent Finance Limited Series 2019-1020 and Ascent Finance Limited Series 2019-1033 are repackaged products, for which JCR has upgraded the ratings to A, as detailed hereunder.

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Rating

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Instrument Name:	Series 2019-1020
Issue Amount (mn):	JPY 450
Issue Date:	July 8, 2019
Redemption Date:	April 25, 2028
Rating:	A

Instrument Name:	Series 2019-1033
Issue Amount (mn):	JPY 200
Issue Date:	November 20, 2019
Redemption Date:	April 25, 2028
Rating:	A

<Information on Structure and Stakeholders>

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

<Information on Underlying Assets>

Outline of Underlying Assets:	Notes, Cross-Currency Swap Agreement
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Rating Assignment Date: April 16, 2024

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/>). 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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