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(編按1:本文係摘錄並翻譯自標準普爾於2011年12月9日所出版的「集團評等方法與假設」,詳細內容請參照原文「Group Rating Methodology And Assumptions」。)

- 1. 標準普爾評級服務修訂段落編號5中所列之機構的集團評等方法與假設。
- 2. 本準則討論的主要領域「外部支持(external support)」,詳述於2011年2月16日公布之「Principles of Credit Ratings(信用評等之基本原則)」一文段號編號31至35中。
- 3. 本準則之更動旨在提升有關集團評等方法的透明度。閱讀本文時,請同時參考列於本文V:「相關準則與研究」中的相關準則。
- 4. 本準則明確描述了在考量來自發行體之母集團提供的潛在支持(或負向干預)後,形成該發行體信用評等(issuer credit rating,簡稱ICR)的步驟。本準則架構包括自發行體之個別基礎信用結構〔stand-alone credit profile,簡稱SACP;請見2010年10月1日公布之「Stand-Alone Credit Profiles: One Component Of A Rating(個別基礎信用結構:評等構成要素之一)」一文〕向上或向下進行級距調整,從而確定其ICR的過程(請見圖1)。

I. 準則適用範圍

- 5. 本準則適用於屬於以下成員之機構的評等:
 - 銀行集團(請見附錄 I 段落編號 46 之說明)。
- 6. 本準則評估一集團成員(請見段落編號13)的集團地位,以決定該機構的初步長期ICR。考量政府支持的準則方面,請見2010年12月9日公布之「Rating Government-Related Entities: Methodology And Assumptions(政府相關機構評等方法與假設)」,與2011年11月9日公布之「Banks: Rating Methodology And Assumptions(銀行:評等方法與假設)」。考量信用替代擔保(credit-substitution guarantees)的準則方面,請見2008年8月28日公布之「European Legal Criteria For Structured Finance Transaction」,與2006年10月1日公布之「Legal Criteria For U.S. Structured Finance Transactions: Select Issues Criteria」。考量具隔離性子公司(insulated subsidiaries)的準則方面,請見段落編號44至45。至於受到主權評等與/或匯兌風險評估之限制方面,請見2009年5月18日公布之「Criteria For Determining Transfer And Convertibility Assessments(決定匯兌風險評估之準則)」,與2011年6月14日公布之「Nonsovereign Ratings That Exceed EMU Sovereign Ratings: Methodology And Assumptions」。

Ⅱ. 準則摘要

7. 本集團評等方法準則說明了如何將可能獲得之集團支持的評估,納入具集團成員身分之機構的發行體信用評等(issuer credit rating;簡稱ICR)當中。本方法包括六項步驟(請見圖1與表1):

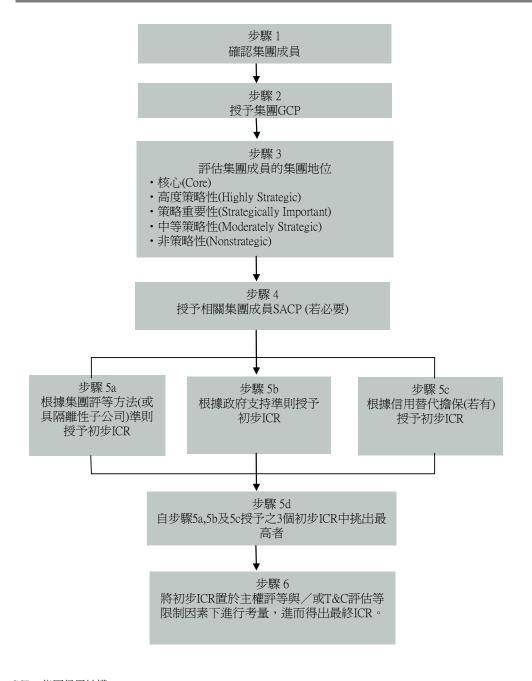
- 確認集團成員;
- 授予集團信用結構(group credit profile;簡稱 GCP);
- 評估該成員在所屬集團中的地位與可望獲得集團支持的程度;
- 必要時授予該成員個別基礎信用結構(stand-alone credit profile;簡稱 SACP);
- 結合該 SACP 與來自於集團之支持程度,決定出該成員的初步 ICR;與
- 將該初步 ICR 置於由相關主權評等與/或匯兌風險(transfer and convertibility risk, 簡稱 T&C)
 評估所構成之限制因素下進行考量。

集團地位共有五類〔核心(core)、高度策略性(highly strategic)、策略重要性(strategically important)、中等策略性(moderately strategic)、與非策略性(nonstrategic)〕,係用以決定初步長期 ICR會介於GCP與SACP(含)之間的某一等級。而當一成員被評估爲與其他集團成員無關時,則需使用另一修訂後之方法對其進行評等(請見原文E部分)。考量政府支持的準則方面,如該些機構被視爲是政府相關機構,請見「Rating Government-Related Entities: Methodology And Assumption(政府相關機

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構評等方法與假設)」,至於屬於銀行業但非政府相關機構者,則請見「Banks: Rating Methodology And Assumptions(銀行:評等方法與假設)」。

圖1 考量集團評等方法後的評等決定步驟



GCP-集團信用結構。

ICR-發行體信用評等。

SACP-個別基礎信用結構。

T&C-匯兌風險。

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表 1

關於機構之集團地位與初步長期ICR摘要表		
集團地位	簡要定義	初步長期ICR*
核心(Core)	對集團當前的本體與未來的策略具有不可或缺性。且在任何可預見的情況下,集團的其他成員都可能對這些機構提供支持。(請見段落編號27至28)§	通常即爲GCP(請見段落編號29)§
高度策略性 (Highly strategic)	對集團當前的本體與未來的策略幾乎是不可或 缺。且幾乎在所有可預見情況下,集團的其他成 員可能會對這些子公司提供支持。(請見段落編 號30)§	通常較GCP低1個級距(但請見段 落編號31)§
策略重要性 (Strategically important)	對集團的不可或缺程度較具高度策略性地位之子公司爲低。在大部分可預見的情況下,集團的其他成員可能會爲其提供額外的流動性、資本或風險移轉方面的支持。惟一些因素的存在,會使集團支持的程度受到質疑。(請見段落編號32至33)\$	通常較SACP 高3個級距(但請見 段落編號34) §
中等策略性 (Moderately strategic)	其重要性並不足以保證能在某些可預見的情況下,獲得來自集團其他成員提供之額外流動性、資本或風險移轉方面的支持。不過仍有機會獲得來自集團提供之某些較小的支持。(請見段落編號35至36)§	通常較SACP高1個級距(但請見段 落編號37)§
非 策 略 性 (Nonstrategic)	對集團不具策略重要性。這些子公司可能會在短 至中期內被出售。(請見段落編號38) §	通常即爲SACP(但請見段落編號 39)§
*ICR一發行體信用評等。ICR會受制於主權評等的限制(請見段落編號43)與政府支持準則的應用(請見段落		

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