

Research Update

Uni-President China Holdings Ltd. Ratings Affirmed At 'twAA/twA-1+'; Outlook Stable

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Rating Action

Taiwan Ratings Corp. today affirmed its 'twAA' long-term and 'twA-1+' short-term issuer credit ratings on **Uni-President China Holdings Ltd.** (UPC). At the same time, we affirmed our senior unsecured issue rating on the company's debt at 'twAA'. The outlook on the long-term rating is stable.

The ratings on UPC reflect the company's core group status within the **Uni-President Enterprises Corp.** group. UPC's standalone credit profile (SACP) reflects the company's good market position as one of the leading food and beverage manufacturers in China, strengthening brand awareness, and satisfactory operating efficiency. The SACP on UPC also reflects our view that the company's stable cash flow and moderating capital expenditure should enable UPC to sustain a net cash position over the next two years. Counterbalancing factors includes UPC's relatively small scale compared with the market leader and the company's high business concentration in China's food and beverage sector, which could cause higher business volatility amid a rapidly changing operating environment.

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Ratings List

Ratings Affirmed

Uni-President China Holdings Ltd.

Issuer Credit Ratings

twAA/Stable/twA-1+

Unsecured Corporate Bond Issue Rating

twAA

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