Research Update: Taiwan Sugar Corp. Ratings Affirmed At 'twAA-/twA-1+'; Outlook Stable

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Rating Action Overview

Taiwan Ratings Corp. today affirmed its 'twAA-' long-term and 'twA-1+' short-term issuer credit ratings on **Taiwan Sugar Corp.** The outlook on the long-term rating is stable. The ratings reflect the company's large low-cost land bank for development and disposal, as well as Taiwan Sugar's net cash position and exceptional liquidity. The company's still-weak profitability partly offsets these rating strengths. The weak profitability is mostly due to Taiwan Sugar's policy burden to help maintain social stability through rent subsidies and local market stability for sugar and pork products. It also reflects the below market-average operating income, given the lower return on its development business compared with the market trend. The ratings on Taiwan Sugar also reflect our view of a moderately high likelihood of extraordinary support from the Taiwan government, if needed.

Related Criteria & Research

Related Criteria

- General Criteria: Rating Government-Related Entities: Methodology And Assumptions -March 25, 2015
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- Criteria | Corporates | General: Corporate Methodology: Ratios And Adjustments April 01, 2019
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- General Criteria: Methodology: Management And Governance Credit Factors For Corporate Entities - November 13, 2012
- General Criteria: Principles Of Credit Ratings February 16, 2011

Related Research

- Taiwan Ratings' Ratings Definitions - August 10, 2020

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Ratings List

Ratings Affirmed

Taiwan Sugar Corp.

Issuer Credit Rating

twAA-/Stable/twA-1+

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