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## **Research Update:**

# USI Corp. Ratings Affirmed At 'twA/twA-1'; Outlook Stable

November 20, 2023

## **Rating Action Overview**

Taiwan Ratings Corp. today affirmed its 'twA' long-term and 'twA-1' short-term issuer credit ratings on **USI Corp.** The outlook on the long-term rating is stable. The ratings reflect USI's good business diversity and low debt leverage. The company's investment in the Gulei project in China could also slightly improve its feedstock supply security. USI is likely to keep its ratio of debt to EBITDA below 1x in 2023-2024 despite profitability weakening significantly from the historical peak in 2021. Several factors temper these strengths, including the company's volatile performance due to a lack of meaningful integration and USI's sensitivity to volatile commodity chemical cycles.

### Related Criteria & Research

#### Related Criteria

- General Criteria: National And Regional Scale Credit Ratings Methodology June 08, 2023
- General Criteria: Environmental, Social, And Governance Principles In Credit Ratings October 10, 2021
- General Criteria: Group Rating Methodology July 01, 2019
- Criteria | Corporates | General: Corporate Methodology: Ratios And Adjustments April 01,
   2019
- Criteria | Corporates | General: Methodology And Assumptions: Liquidity Descriptors For Global Corporate Issuers - December 16, 2014
- General Criteria: Country Risk Assessment Methodology And Assumptions November 19,
- General Criteria: Methodology: Industry Risk November 19, 2013
- Criteria | Corporates | General: Corporate Methodology November 19, 2013
- 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 – November 11, 2021

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# **Ratings List**

#### **Ratings Affirmed**

| USI Corp.            |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Issuer Credit Rating | twA/Stable/twA-1 |

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