Fitch Ratings

Fitch Upgrades BBVA Leasing 1, FTA's Class A2 Notes; Affirms Others

Fitch Ratings-Madrid/London-04 February 2016: Fitch Ratings has upgraded BBVA Leasing 1, FTA's class A2 notes and affirmed the others as follows:

EUR33.6m Class A2 notes upgraded to 'A-sf' from 'BBBsf'; Outlook Stable
EUR82.5m Class B notes affirmed at 'CCsf'; Recovery Estimate revised to 70% from 60%
EUR61.3m Class C notes affirmed at 'Csf'; Recovery Estimate 0%

BBVA Leasing 1 FTA is a securitisation of a pool of leasing contracts originated by Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria S.A. (BBVA; A-/Stable/F2) extended to non-financial small- and medium-enterprises domiciled in Spain. BBVA (A-/Stable/F2) is also the servicer, account bank and swap provider for the transaction.

KEY RATING DRIVERS
The upgrade of the class A2 notes is driven by the build-up of credit enhancement provided by over-collateralisation to 70% as of November 2015 from 46% during the previous 12 months due to the amortisation of the notes. The notes are capped at 'A-sf' due to the exposure to BBVA, which holds the servicer and account bank roles with no structural mitigants in place.

The affirmation of the class B and class C notes at 'CCsf' and 'Csf', respectively, is driven by an outstanding principal deficiency ledger (PDL) of EUR63.2m. With limited excess spread, coupled with slow incoming recoveries, it is unlikely that PDL will be significantly reduced in the near term. Therefore, the repayment of the class B notes is mainly dependent on future recoveries while the default of the class C notes is considered inevitable.

Transaction performance has improved during the past year. Leases in arrears in excess of 30 days decreased to 3.9% as of December 2015 from 5.7% over the previous year and cumulative defaults have remained stable at around 4.8% of the beginning balance plus purchased leases. However, the transaction is exposed to high obligor concentration levels due to the low portfolio factor 4.5%. As of the latest reporting date, the largest 10 borrowers accounted for 8% of the outstanding collateral balance, compared with only 2% at closing in 2007. Fitch considers the class A2 notes' rating to be sufficiently robust to support the risk from significant obligor concentration.

RATING SENSITIVITIES
The ratings are fairly robust. The class A2 notes' rating is mainly driven by the rating cap and increases of the

loss rate over the base cases are not expected to have a rating impact.

Expected impact upon the note ratings of increased defaults (class A2/B/C):
Current Rating: 'A-sf'/'CCsf'/'Csf'
Increase expected case defaults by 25%: 'A-sf'/'CCsf'/'Csf'
Expected impact upon the note ratings of reduced recoveries (class A2/ B/C):
Current Rating: 'A-sf'/'CCsf'/'Csf'
Reduce expected case recoveries by 25%: 'A-sf'/'CCsf'/'Csf'
Expected impact upon the note ratings of increased defaults and reduced recoveries (class A2/ B/C):
Current Rating: 'A-sf'/'CCsf'/'Csf'
Increase expected case defaults by 25%; reduce expected case recoveries by 25%: 'A-sf'/'CCsf'/'Csf'

DUE DILIGENCE USAGE
No third party due diligence was provided or reviewed in relation to this rating action.

DATA ADEQUACY
Fitch has checked the consistency and plausibility of the information it has received about the performance of the asset pool and the transaction. There were no findings that were material to this analysis. Fitch has not reviewed the results of any third party assessment of the asset portfolio information or conducted a review of origination files as part of its ongoing monitoring.

Fitch did not undertake a review of the information provided about the underlying asset pool ahead of the transaction's initial closing. The subsequent performance of the transaction over the years is consistent with the agency's expectations given the operating environment and Fitch is therefore satisfied that the asset pool information relied upon for its initial rating analysis was adequately reliable.

Overall, Fitch's assessment of the information relied upon for the agency's rating analysis according to its applicable rating methodologies indicates that it is adequately reliable.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION
The information below was used in the analysis.
- Transaction reporting provided by Europea de Titulizacion S.A., S.G.F.T. as at 31 December 2015

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Applicable Criteria
Counterparty Criteria for Structured Finance and Covered Bonds (pub. 14 May 2014)
(https://www.fitchratings.com/creditdesk/reports/report_frame.cfm?rpt_id=744158&cft=0)
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Global Consumer ABS Rating Criteria (pub. 03 Dec 2015)
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