OBOS Eiendom AS

Rating Action Report

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LONG-TERM RATING

BBB-

OUTLOOK

Stable

SHORT-TERM RATING

N3

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OBOS Eiendom AS 'BBB-' long-term issuer rating affirmed; Outlook stable

Nordic Credit Rating said today that it had affirmed its 'BBB-' long-term issuer rating on Norway-based property manager OBOS Eiendom AS. The outlook is stable. The 'N3' short-term issuer rating and the 'BBB-' issue rating on the company's senior secured debt were also affirmed.

Rating rationale

The long-term issuer rating reflects OBOS Eiendom's relatively solid property portfolio in generally attractive locations. Our assessment is supported by the strong fundamentals of the Oslo area, which accounts for almost all of OBOS Eiendom's rental income. We view the company's long lease terms and solid operating margins as positive.

These strengths are offset by the modest size of OBOS Eiendom's property portfolio, albeit mitigated by a market position bolstered by the company's close ties with its parent, residential property developer OBOS BBL. Portfolio concentration is relatively high, which we view as a weakness. The company's concentrated project development pipeline, which includes speculative elements, also tempers our evaluation. We expect OBOS Eiendom's key credit metrics to weaken in the short term as the company makes substantial investments in project development, although we expect this effect to be mitigated by property divestments.

Our assessment factors in OBOS Eiendom's relationship with OBOS BBL. We view OBOS Eiendom as a 'vital' component of the OBOS BBL group (as defined in our Group and Government Support Rating Methodology), due to a strong parent-subsidiary link, resulting from a long history of integration and a shared name. We add one notch of ownership support to our 'bb+' standalone credit assessment of OBOS Eiendom to bring the long-term rating on the company into line with our 'BBB-' long-term rating on OBOS BBL.

Stable outlook

The stable outlook reflects the outlook on our long-term issuer rating on OBOS BBL. Given our view of OBOS Eiendom as 'vital' to the OBOS BBL group, we could revise our rating on the company due to changes in our issuer rating on the parent.

We could raise the rating to reflect an improvement in the credit quality of the overall OBOS BBL group.

We could lower the rating to reflect a change in ownership or a deterioration in the credit quality of the overall OBOS BBL group, or a reduction in the company's strategic importance to OBOS BBL.

Rating list	To	From
Long-term issuer credit rating:	BBB-	BBB-
Outlook:	Stable	Stable
Short-term issuer credit rating:	N3	N3
Senior secured issue rating:	BBB-	BBB-

Figure 1. OBOS Eiendom rating scorecard

Subfactors	Impact	То	From
Operating environment	20.0%	bb+	bb+
Market position, size and diversification	12.5%	bb	bb
Portfolio assessment	12.5%	bbb-	bbb-
Operating efficiency	5.0%	bbb	bbb
Business risk assessment	50.0%	bb+	bb+
Ratio analysis		bb	bb
Risk appetite		bbb-	bbb-
Financial risk assessment	50.0%	bb+	bb+
Indicative credit assessment		bb+	bb+
Liquidity		Adequate	Adequate
ESG		Adequate	Adequate
Peer calibration		Neutral	Neutral
Stand-alone credit assessment		bb+	bb+
Support analysis		+1 notch	+1 notch
Issuer rating		BBB-	BBB-
Outlook		Stable	Stable
Short-term rating		N3	N3

Figure 2. Capital structure ratings

Seniority	То	From
Senior secured	BBB-	BBB-

Long-term issuer credit rating Type of credit rating:

Short-term issuer credit rating

Issue credit rating

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Were ESG factors a key driver behind No. the change to the credit rating or rating outlook?

the credit rating:

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