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A.M. Best Affirms Credit Ratings of Protective Life Corporation and Its Key Subsidiaries

Ratings Supplement

The FSR of A+ (Superior) and the Long-Term ICRs of "aa-" have been affirmed with a stable outlook for the following primary life insurance subsidiaries of **Protective Life Corporation**:

- Protective Life Insurance Company
- Protective Life and Annuity Insurance Company
- West Coast Life Insurance Company
- MONY Life Insurance Company

The FSR of A- (Excellent) and the Long-Term ICR of "a-" have been affirmed with a stable outlook for

Protective Property & Casualty Insurance Company, an asset protection subsidiary of **Protective Life**Corporation.

The Long-Term ICR of "a-" has been affirmed with a stable outlook for **Protective Life Corporation**.

The following Long-Term IRs have been affirmed with a stable outlook:

Protective Life Corporation—

- -- "a-" on \$150 million 6.40% senior unsecured notes, due 2018
- -- "a-" on \$400 million 7.375% senior unsecured notes, due 2019
- -- "a-" on \$300 million 8.45% senior unsecured notes, due 2039
- -- "bbb+" on \$287.5 million 6.25% subordinated debentures, due 2042
- -- "bbb+" on \$150 million 6.0% subordinated debentures, due 2042

Protective Life Global Funding— "aa-" program rating

-- "aa-" on all outstanding notes issued under the program

The following indicative Long-Term IRs on securities available under the shelf registration have been





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affirmed with a stable outlook:

PLC Capital Trust VI, VII and VIII—
-- "bbb" on preferred securities

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