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A.M. Best Removes From Under Review and Affirms Ratings of Aviva plc and Its Subsidiaries

Ratings Supplement

The FSR of A (Excellent) and the ICRs of "a+" have been removed from under review with developing implications, affirmed and assigned a stable outlook for the following subsidiaries of Aviva plc.

- **Aviva Insurance Limited**
- **Aviva International Insurance Limited**
- Aviva Life & Pensions UK Limited*
- Aviva Annuity UK Limited*
- **Aviva Insurance Company of Canada**
- **Elite Insurance Company**
- **Traders General Insurance Company**
- **Pilot Insurance Company**
- Scottish & York Insurance Company, Limited
- **S&Y Insurance Company**

The ICR of "a-" has been removed from under review with developing implications, affirmed and assigned a stable outlook for **Aviva plc**.

The following senior debt rating has been removed from under review with developing implications, affirmed and assigned a stable outlook:

Aviva plc—

-- "a-" on GBP 200 million 9.5% guaranteed bonds, due 2016

The following subordinated debt ratings have been removed from under review with developing

^{*} Concurrently, these ratings have been withdrawn



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implications, affirmed and assigned a stable outlook:

Aviva plc—

- -- "bbb+" on GBP 450 million 6.625% callable subordinated notes, due 2041
- -- "bbb+" on GBP 800 million 6.125% perpetual subordinated notes
- -- "bbb+" on GBP 700 million 6.125% callable fixed rate reset subordinated bonds, due 2036
- -- "bbb+" on EUR 500 million 5.7% perpetual subordinated notes
- -- "bbb+" on GBP 600 million 6.875% callable fixed rate subordinated notes, due 2058
- -- "bbb+" on EUR 500 million 6.875% callable fixed rate subordinated notes, due 2038
- -- "bbb+" on USD 400 million 8.25% callable subordinated notes, due 2041

The following direct capital instrument issues have been removed from under review with developing implications, affirmed and assigned a stable outlook:

Aviva plc—

- -- "bbb" on GBP 500 million 5.9021% direct capital instruments redeemable 2020 or thereafter
- -- "bbb" on USD 650 million 8.25% direct capital instruments redeemable 2017 or thereafter

The following indicative ratings on shelf securities have been removed from under review with developing implications, affirmed and assigned a stable outlook:

Aviva plc—

- -- "bbb+" on senior subordinated notes
- -- "bbb" on junior subordinated notes

The methodology used in determining these ratings is Best's Credit Rating Methodology, which provides a comprehensive explanation of A.M. Best's rating process and contains the different rating criteria employed in the rating process. Best's Credit Rating Methodology can be found at www.ambest.com/ratings/methodology.

Key insurance criteria reports utilised:

- Analyzing Insurance Holding Company Liquidity
- Equity Credit for Hybrid Securities
- Insurance Holding Company and Debt Ratings
- Rating Members of Insurance Groups
- Risk Management and the Rating Process for Insurance Companies



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- Understanding BCAR for Canadian Property/Casualty Insurers
- Understanding Universal BCAR
- Catastrophe Analysis in A.M. Best Ratings

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