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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## S&P reaffirms Mercury's BBB+ corporate credit rating

**6 December 2016 –** Ratings agency Standard & Poor's has confirmed Mercury's corporate credit rating as BBB+/Stable in a report published yesterday.

Mercury CFO, William Meek, says the company targets an investment grade long-term credit rating of BBB+ as a prudent and sustainable capital structure. The company receives a one-notch uplift from its stand-alone rating of 'bbb', reflecting the legislated majority ownership by the Crown.

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