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Pohjola Non-Life Insurance Co. Ratings Affirmed At 'AA-'; Outlook Negative 05-Aug-2014 12:53 BST

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MILAN (Standard & Poor's) Aug. 5, 2014--Standard & Poor's Ratings Services today corrected its 'AA-' insurer financial strength and counterparty credit ratings on Pohjola Non-Life Insurance Co. Ltd. by affirming them and removing them from CreditWatch negative. The outlook is negative.

Pohjola Non-Life remains a core subsidiary of Pohjola Bank PLC (AA-/Negative/A-1+) and therefore the ratings and outlook on Pohiola Non-Life move in tandem with those on its parent.

We inadvertently did not resolve the CreditWatch on Pohjola Non-Life when we resolved the CreditWatch on the parent on May 30, 2014.

Accordingly, we have affirmed our 'AA-' ratings on Pohjola Non-Life and assigned a negative outlook.

RELATED CRITERIA AND RESEARCH

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