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RATING ACTION COMMENTARY

Fitch Revises Outlook on LimakPort's Notes to Negative; Affirms at 'BB-'

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Fitch Ratings - London - 13 Dec 2021: Fitch Ratings has revised the Outlook on Limak Iskenderun Uluslararasi Liman İşletmeciliği A.Ş.'s notes (LimakPort) to Negative from Stable, and affirmed the rating at 'BB-'.

RATING RATIONALE

The rating action follows the Outlook revision on Turkey's Long-Term Issuer Default Ratings (IDRs) to Negative from Stable (see 'Fitch Revises Turkey's Outlook to Negative; Affirms at 'BB-' dated 02 December 2021 at www.fitchratings.com). In Fitch's view, Turkey's sovereign IDR caps Limak's rating, due to its linkages to country's economic and regulatory environment.

KEY RATING DRIVERS

This rating action is driven solely by the revision of the Outlook on the Turkish sovereign rating, and is therefore not a full review.

For LimakPort's key rating drivers, see 'Fitch Rates LimakPort's Notes 'BB-'; Outlook Stable dated 18 May 2021 on www.fitchratings.com.

RATING SENSITIVITIES

Factors that could, individually or collectively, lead to negative rating action/downgrade:

Forecast DSCR consistently below 1.2x or;

Negative action on Turkey's sovereign rating.

Factors that could, individually or collectively, lead to positive rating action/upgrade:

Positive action on Turkey's sovereign rating may lead to positive rating action on the notes.

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APPLICABLE CRITERIA

Ports Rating Criteria (pub. 16 Oct 2020) (including rating assumption sensitivity) Infrastructure and Project Finance Rating Criteria (pub. 24 Aug 2021) (including rating assumption sensitivity)

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

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