


**Municipal Bond Insurer Ratings and Outlooks**

as of December 27, 2010

(initial ratings/outlooks as on 6/5/07)

<b>Bond Insurer (Stock Ticker)</b>	<b>Moody's Rating/Outlook</b>	<b>Standard &amp; Poor's Rating/Outlook</b>	<b>Fitch Rating/Outlook</b>	<b>News and Notes</b>
ACA Financial Guaranty Corp. (ACA)	Not rated	Rating withdrawn 12/15/08 (initial: A/Negative)	Not rated	Enters runoff (no new business underwritten) after settlement with structured credit counterparties 8/11/08
Ambac (Ambac Assurance Corporation) (ABK)	Caa2/Developing 7/29/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable)	R/-- 3/25/10 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 6/26/08 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Ambac Financial Group filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy as expected; little impact on municipal bond policyholders expected since insurer is distinct regulated entity 11/9/10
Assured Guaranty Corp. (AGO)	Aa3/Negative 12/18/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable)	AA+/Stable 10/25/10 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 2/24/10 (initial: AAA/Stable)	S&P downgrade cites struggling financial guarantee market putting pressure on operating performance; potential for limited statutory surplus growth 10/25/10
Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. (formerly FSA)	Aa3/Negative 11/12/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable)	AA+/Stable 10/25/10 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 2/24/10 (initial: AAA/Stable)	S&P downgrade part of action on Assured Guaranty parent; diminished demand for municipal bond insurance expected to lead to weak statutory results 10/25/10
Berkshire Hathaway Assurance Corp. (BHAC)	Aa1/Stable 4/8/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable as on 4/25/08)	AA+/Stable 2/4/10 (initial: AAA/Stable as on 4/11/08)	Not rated	Moody's downgrade from triple-A notes protracted economic recession has reduced Berkshire's capital cushion for insurance exposure 4/8/09

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CIFG	Rating withdrawn 11/11/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 2/16/10 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 10/21/08 (initial: AAA/Stable)	\$13 billion of public finance portfolio under negotiation to be reinsured by Assured Guaranty; S&P rating withdrawal cited significant declines in surplus levels 2/16/10
FGIC (Financial Guaranty Insurance Co.)	Rating withdrawn 4/14/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 4/22/09 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 11/24/08 (initial: AAA/Stable)	New York regulators block FGIC from paying claims until financial stability is regained 11/24/09 <i>(note that FGIC's municipal book is wrapped by MBIA)</i>
National Re (National Public Finance Guarantee, (formerly MBIA) (MBI)	Baa1/Developing 6/25/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable)	BBB/Developing 12/22/10 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 6/26/08 (initial: AAA/Stable)	MBIA's U.S. public finance book rebranded as National Public Finance Guarantee (National Re); S&P downgrade based on risk from merging municipal and structured product portfolios 12/22/10
Radian Asset Assurance Inc. (RDN)	Ba1/ Stable 3/12/09 (initial: Aa3/Stable)	BB-/Negative 12/22/09 (initial: AA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 5/2/08 (initial: AA/Stable)	S&P downgrade to below investment-grade cites CDO exposure, higher capital charges; insurer currently in run-off 12/22/09
Syncora Guarantee Inc. (formerly XL Capital Assurance Inc.) (SCA)	Ca/Developing 3/9/09 (initial: Aaa/Stable)	R/Negative 4/27/09 (initial: AAA/Stable)	Rating withdrawn 9/5/08 (initial: AAA/Stable)	S&P downgrade to R indicates regulatory supervision; claims payments suspended in 4/09 for 15 months, then reinstated 7/28/10

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