

CREDIT OPINION

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Update



RATINGS

UPM-Kymmene

Domicile	Helsinki, Finland
Long Term Rating	Baa1
Туре	LT Issuer Rating - Dom Curr
Outlook	Stable

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Update to credit analysis

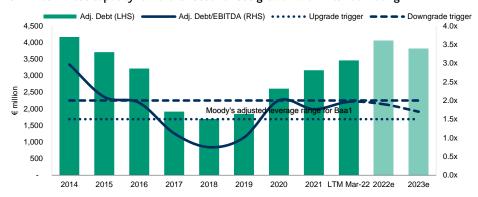
Summary

The Baa1 issuer rating of <u>UPM-Kymmene</u> (UPM) primarily takes into account the company's large scale and global footprint, with market-leading positions across a broad product portfolio; track record of successful diversification beyond graphic-grade paper operations in mature markets, while keeping these operations profitable and cash flow-generative on a sustained basis; good profitability and a track record of significant positive free cash flow (FCF) at group level, despite ongoing restructuring needs and sizeable investments in structurally growing business areas; and conservative financial policies, which we expect to protect the group's financial strength during the current period of higher investment spending, with Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA not likely to rise significantly above 2.0x for a prolonged period (2x for the 12 months that ended March 2022). UPM's credit profile should help the company to navigate through more volatile macroeconomic times.

The major constraints to UPM's Baa1 rating are the company's still-sizeable exposure to the structurally declining graphic paper business in mature markets, which requires UPM to constantly balance capacity, including sizeable and costly mill closures and other restructuring measures; the risk of volatility in its credit metrics because input costs and prices for most of its products are volatile, which reflects cyclical demand in some of the end markets, at times exacerbated by periods of oversupply; and the risk of debt-funded growth within UPM's publicly communicated net leverage ceiling of 2.0x (0.5x for the 12 months that ended March 2022).

Exhibit 1

UPM has limited capacity for further debt-funded growth within its Baa1 rating



Forward view represents Moody's view, not the view of the issuer, and does not incorporate any significant acquisitions or extraordinary shareholder distributions but reflects the impact from investment projects (Uruguay Paso de los Toros pulp mill and Leuna biorefinery) from 2023 onwards.

Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™, Moody's estimate

Credit strengths

- » Market-leading positions across a fairly broad product portfolio
- » Consistent FCF at group level (excluding extraordinary capital spending), with contributions from all businesses (including graphic paper)
- » Conservative financial policies, which are commensurate with an investment-grade rating

Credit challenges

- » Sizeable, although reduced, exposure to the structurally declining graphic paper business in mature markets
- » The largely commodity-like nature of some of the company's structurally growing businesses (subject to fairly volatile market prices), which may translate into volatility in credit metrics
- » Some risk of further debt-funded growth, which could (at least temporarily) increase the company's leverage

Rating outlook

The stable rating outlook reflects our expectation that UPM will be able to sustain credit metrics that are commensurate with a Baa1 rating for the next 12-18 months, such that its Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA does not exceed 2.0x on a sustained basis, amid the execution of biochemicals and pulp investments in a difficult market environment.

Factors that could lead to an upgrade

- » Further portfolio diversification
- » A sustained improvement in Moody's-adjusted EBITDA margin to above 20% through the cycle
- » Financial policies consistent with Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA below 1.0x and Moody's-adjusted retained cash flow (RCF)/debt above 40%, both on a sustained basis
- » A further reduction in UPM's dependence on the mature European and North American paper markets
- » Further strengthening of liquidity

Factors that could lead to a downgrade

- » Moody's-adjusted EBITDA margin declining towards 15% on a sustained basis
- » Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA remaining above 2.0x on a sustained basis
- » Moody's-adjusted RCF/debt below 30% for a prolonged period
- » Erosion of liquidity as a result of an inability to execute the significant investments in its pulp and biochemicals businesses

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Key indicators

Exhibit 2
UPM-Kymmene

	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21	LTM Mar-22	next 12-18 months
Revenue (EUR billion)	10.0	10.5	10.2	8.6	9.8	10.1	10.5 - 12
Revenue (USD billion)	\$10.9	\$11.3	\$12.4	\$9.8	\$11.6	\$11.7	\$12 - \$14
EBITDA Margin %	17.1%	21.6%	17.8%	15.2%	18.2%	17.4%	18.5% - 19.1%
RCF / Debt	50.8%	56.1%	48.0%	15.0%	21.6%	17.7%	25% - 35%
(RCF - CAPEX) / Debt	33.4%	37.0%	24.3%	-19.5%	-26.1%	-27.6%	-10% - 10%
Debt / EBITDA	1.1x	0.7x	1.0x	2.0x	1.8x	2.0x	1.7x - 2x
EBITDA / Interest Expense	27.9x	33.0x	33.3x	27.5x	44.0x	42.9x	40x - 45x

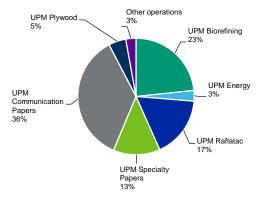
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Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

Profile

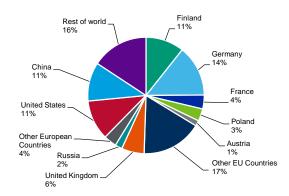
Headquartered in Helsinki, Finland, UPM-Kymmene (UPM) is one of the world's largest paper and forest products companies, with sales of around €10.1 billion for the 12 months that ended March 2022. Apart from having leading positions in major graphic paper grades, such as newsprint, magazine and fine paper, UPM is active in pulp and energy production, specialty paper, label materials and wood products. It also owns sizeable forest holdings in Europe and Latin America. The group had 51 production plants in 12 countries and 16,843 employees as of March 2022. UPM is publicly listed with a wide shareholder base. Its market capitalization was around €16 billion as of 28 June 2022.

Exhibit 3 UPM's revenue by division 2021 sales



Source: UPM's 2021 annual report

Exhibit 4 UPM's revenue by geography 2021 sales



Source: UPM's 2021 annual report

Detailed credit considerations

Wide portfolio with a number of market-leading positions and good vertical integration

With group sales of around €10.1 billion for the 12 months that ended March 2022, UPM is one of the world's largest forest products companies, with a wide product portfolio and a number of leadership positions across its six main business areas:

- » UPM Communication Papers produces graphic paper for advertising, magazines, newspapers, and home and office across all major grades. With a total annual production capacity of 6.1 million tonnes in 2021, the company is the largest producer of graphic paper in Europe and is the leader, or among the leaders, in most of the grades in fairly consolidated markets, competing, for instance, with Sappi Limited (Sappi, Ba2 stable) in most of the grades.
- » UPM Fibres (previously UPM Biorefining) is primarily focused on northern softwood, birch and eucalyptus pulp along with offering certified sawn timber. With total market pulp deliveries of around 3.2 million tonnes for the 12 months that ended March 2022 and a total pulp capacity of 3.7 million tonnes, UPM is still a relatively small company in the global pulp industry, with a global market share in mid-single digits in percentage terms in a relatively fragmented competitive landscape, but is among the key pulp producers in Europe.
- » **UPM Energy** is the second-largest electricity producer in Finland through its hydro, nuclear and condensing power assets, with a total installed capacity of around 1,400 megawatts in 2021.
- » UPM Raflatac is the world's second-largest producer of self-adhesive label materials after <u>Avery Dennison Corporation</u> (Baa2 stable). It has a global presence, and focuses on relatively stable and growing markets such as food, personal care and pharmaceuticals.
- » **UPM Specialty Papers** supplies markets with label papers and release liners globally, with a leading position in the office paper market in China, which is still growing structurally.
- » **UPM Plywood** offers plywood and veneer products, mainly for construction, vehicle flooring and the fairly profitable liquefied natural gas shipbuilding, where the company has a particularly strong market position benefiting from strong barriers to entry.
- » Other operations include forest holdings, biofuels, biochemicals, biomedicals and biocomposites applications, areas which do not have a significant impact on UPM's operating performance yet but have strong growth potential.

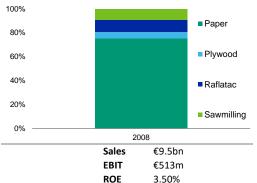
While traditionally focused on the mature European markets (around two-thirds of group's sales in 2021), UPM has an established presence in North America and has gradually expanded its footprint in the fast-growing Chinese market. UPM's Baa1 rating also reflects the company's good level of backward integration into pulp (the company is long on pulp at the group level), energy and wood, which helps it mitigate the impact of the inherent volatility in the key input costs on its profitability. The company's mills are generally efficient and well positioned in their respective cost curves.

Strategy to diversify beyond the structurally declining graphic paper business

One of the key factors supporting UPM's Baa1 rating is its successful ongoing diversification beyond graphic paper, the demand for which is subject to a secular decline, driven by digital substitution. Between 2013 and 2021, UPM progressively closed or converted around 6 million tonnes of graphic paper capacity to reflect the demand trend. At the same time, the company invested a sizeable amount of capital spending in other business areas with positive underlying growth and comparatively higher profitability. As a result, the proportion and importance of the graphic paper business decreased gradually to around 35% of the group's revenue in 2021 from almost 80% in 2008. In addition, during the same period, the group's EBIT, as reported by UPM, almost doubled, while revenue remained broadly flat.

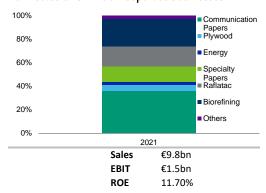
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Exhibit 5
UPM's 2008 sales - Vertically integrated paper company



Source: UPM's presentations

Exhibit 6
2021 sales of UPM's six separate businesses



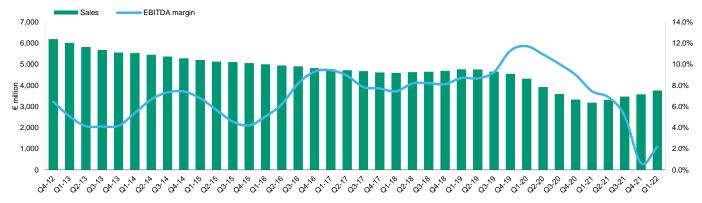
Source: UPM's presentations

We expect that the recovery in graphic paper demand, which started in 2021 and continued in Q1 2022, is likely to keep pace through year-end 2022. UPM was not able to fully benefit from strong demand in Q1 2022 because of a prolonged labour strike at its Finnish paper mills. On the back of consecutive price increases to offset the impact from rising input costs, we expect a solid recovery in UPM Communication Papers' operating performance over the next 12 months. However, we remain cautious that increased geopolitical and macroeconomic risks along with persisting inflationary pressure could lead to a protracted deterioration of global economic activity towards full year 2023, which would inadvertently affect UPM's operating performance.

Furthermore, we expect the long-term trend of a structural decline in the market for graphic paper to sustain. We estimate that the paper business in Europe will continue to decline structurally at around 6% per year on average across all grades, predominantly because of digital substitution, in line with the average for the last decade, although the rate of decline will continue to vary depending on grade and the phases of the general business cycle. Although most of the grades are likely to remain oversupplied in the coming years, because of efficiencies stemming from the scale and good quality of assets, as well as the ongoing strict cost management, UPM Communication Papers, with an EBITDA margin of around 2.2% for the 12 months that ended March 2022 (as reported by UPM), is likely to remain profitable.

Exhibit 7

UPM Communication Papers' profitability has significantly suffered since Q2 2020 but started recovering from Q1 2022



Data as reported by UPM for the 12 months ending each quarter. Source: UPM's reports

To ensure competitiveness, UPM decided to close two paper machines (Plattling and Rauma), removing 420,000 tonnes of capacity from the market in 2019 and converted the 200,000-tonne fine paper machine in Nordland into specialties at the beginning of 2020. UPM also closed the 240,000-tonne Chapelle newsprint mill in Q3 2020 and the 720,000-tonne Kaipola newsprint mill in Q4 2020, removing around 1.2 million tonnes in total from the graphic paper market only in 2020 followed by the sale of the 260,000-tonne

Shotton newsprint mill in Q3 2021. Because of the fairly low maintenance capital spending of around €50 million per year needed for UPM Communication Papers, such profitability levels will still enable UPM to continue to generate significant FCF in the business, which the company will reinvest in growth businesses or use for leverage reduction. From 2015 to 2019, UPM generated (on average) roughly €300 million annually in operating cash flow in this division.

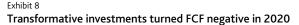
Segments such as labelling, specialty papers, pulp and wood products, have positive underlying fundamentals. The underlying demand growth in these segments ranges between 2% and 4% per year, supported by megatrends such as urbanisation, e-commerce growth and parcel logistics, and increased consumption in emerging markets, as well as an increasing focus on climate change and sustainability. While we generally view diversification into these segments as credit positive, most of these businesses are sensitive to economic cycles and subject to volatile pricing. This is particularly true for pulp, where the volatility is driven by periods of oversupply that could happen even in a growing market, because new supply coming onstream is often sizeable. This could lead to volatility in UPM's credit metrics, but the fairly wide portfolio provides some diversification. For instance, high pulp prices hurt the paper operations but are positive for the pulp business.

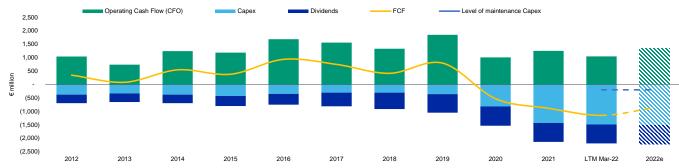
We expect prices for most grades of pulp to remain high in 2022 and decline in 2023 as a result of weaker demand from China, and additional supply entering the market, including the MAPA project by <u>Celulosa Arauco y Constitucion S.A.</u> (Baa3 stable) in Chile. This project will add 1.3 million tonnes annually on a net basis, and will start operations in mid-2022, along with Royal Golden Eagle's (RGE Pte. Ltd.) 2.8 million-tonne Bleached Eucalyptus Kraft (BEK) and dissolving pulp mill that started its ramp-up phase in November 2021.

UPM executed the transition beyond graphic paper with a track record of positive FCF and a sound investment pipeline

One of the key supporting factors for UPM's Baa1 rating is the fact that the company continued to transition beyond graphic paper with consistently positive FCF. During 2012-19, UPM generated positive FCF of around €570 million per year on average (as defined and adjusted by us), despite the ongoing restructuring in its paper business and sizeable investments in growth businesses — gross capital spending averaged around €360 million per year between 2012 and 2019, which was above the maintenance capital spending needs of roughly €200 million per year.

UPM's gross capital spending increased to around €800 million in 2020 and €1.4 billion in 2021, and the company guides towards €1.5 billion for 2022, as a result of sizeable investments in the pulp and biochemicals businesses. We expect capital investments to be less intensive in 2023 as a result of the completion of the transformative projects. Annual capital spending related to the transformative growth projects of the pulp mill in Uruguay and the biochemicals business in Germany will amount to around €1.3 billion in 2022, and will limit the company's Moody's-adjusted FCF, which will likely be negative at around €900 million in 2022 and turn positive in 2023. Current capital spending plan also includes various smaller initiatives to increase capacity in other business segments, while operational investment needs are being kept consistently low.





Data as reported by UPM, but as defined by Moody's. Forward view is Moody's view.

Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

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Strategic transformation accelerates with the new pulp mill in Uruguay and entrance into the biochemicals business

UPM has initiated its next capital investment phase as part of its strategic transformation beyond graphic paper. The company is currently in the process of constructing a 2.1-million-tonne greenfield eucalyptus pulp mill, after reaching an agreement with the Government of Uruguay (Baa2 stable), which is scheduled to start operations and proceed with production trials in Q1 2023. The investment is likely to amount to around \$3.1 billion, further supplemented by \$350 million of investments in port operations in Montevideo and local facilities in Paso de los Toros, where the mill will be located. The new highly competitive mill is likely to achieve above-market-average operating profitability and subsequently improve UPM's biorefining business' profitability as a result of its competitive anticipated total cash cost of around \$280 per delivered tonne of pulp, which positions the facility in the first quartile of the global hardwood pulp supply curve. However, the construction of the pulp mill and its optimisation entail some execution risk that will temporarily affect credit metrics during the construction phase.

Another step in achieving transformative growth and profitability is UPM's entrance into the biochemicals business by investing €750 million in a wood-based biorefinery facility at Leuna, Germany, with a total capacity of 220,000 tonnes, which is scheduled to start operations by year-end 2023. The business will produce a series of new 100% wood-based biochemical products spanning from bio-monoethylene glycol and lignin-based functional fillers to monopropylene glycol and industrial sugars, aiming to provide an alternative to fossil materials in various consumer-driven end uses. Growth and capitalization of market share in the new business will be supported by the strong underlying demand growth of roughly 4% in the 30 million-tonne global glycols market and around 3% growth in the 15 million-tonne global market of carbon black and silica where customers are becoming increasingly committed to sustainable solutions.

The company has also started the basic engineering phase for a new 500,000-tonne renewable fuels biorefinery, located in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, which will be focused on products that significantly reduce carbon footprint in road transport and aviation.

Financial policies are commensurate with a solid investment-grade rating, with some re-leveraging in the context of transformative projects

UPM has recently gone off track from its leverage reduction path that started in 2014. Its Moody's-adjusted debt significantly decreased to around €1.8 billion (including the IFRS 16 impact) as of the end of December 2019 from around €4.7 billion as of the end of December 2013. The bulk of debt reduction was funded by the group's FCF generation, with minimal contribution from noncore asset sales. In the context of financing its strategic investments in the pulp and biochemicals businesses under its green finance framework, UPM issued €750 million of senior unsecured notes in November 2020, along with €500 million in March 2021 and May 2022, which increased its Moody's-adjusted debt to around €3.5 billion as of March 2022, leading to Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA of 2x and RCF/Debt of 17.7% for the 12 months that ended March 2022.

We expect that UPM will not operate with Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA of around or somewhat above 2.0x for a prolonged period, which is consistent with a Baa1 rating. UPM has also stated that an investment-grade rating is an important element in its financing strategy. However, because UPM is operating well below its net leverage ceiling of 2.0x (as defined by UPM, compared with 0.5x for the 12 months that ended March 2022), we see a temporary re-leveraging risk as illustrated by the issuance of additional debt in the context of its current strategic investments. Nevertheless, under normal circumstances, UPM will aim to operate with capacity under the ceiling; in the case of extraordinary debt-funded growth during the investment phase in the pulp and biochemicals businesses, the company will focus on leverage reduction to regain the capacity within reasonable time because of its strong cash flow generation capabilities and track record of repaying debt from generated cash.

While we also expect UPM to prioritise growth investments to further diversify beyond graphic paper, extraordinary shareholder distributions cannot be entirely excluded if the company does not find a better use of excess cash and continues to operate well below its leverage ceiling for a prolonged period. However, because of a robust pipeline of potential projects, some of which are sizeable, such a scenario is currently unlikely. In addition, so far, management's track record with regard to shareholder distributions has been conservative. UPM's ordinary dividend policy is not excessive and tied to cash flow generation (30%-40% of operating cash flow), and has supported consistent positive FCF through the entire business transition period over the past decade. The company distributed total dividends of €705 million for 2021 (including €12 million in dividends paid to non-controlling interests), which translates into 55% of its operating cash flow in 2021 and is well above its stated dividend policy.

ESG considerations

UPM-KYMMENE's ESG Credit Impact Score is Highly Negative CIS-4

Exhibit 9

ESG Credit Impact Score



Source: Moody's Investors Service

UPM's ESG Credit Impact Score is Highly negative (**CIS-4**), reflecting the company's still sizeable exposure to the structurally declining graphic paper business in mature markets, which requires UPM to constantly balance capacity, including sizeable and costly mill closures and other restructuring measures. This exposure and continued financial investments to further build its other non-paper businesses provide a cap to its rating. This is partially offset by the company's track record of successful diversification, low governance risks and moderate environmental risks.

Exhibit 10
ESG Issuer Profile Scores



Source: Moody's Investors Service

Environmental

Environmental risks are considered moderately negative, which reflects the industry's general exposure to environmental risks. The company's environmental risks are mitigated to a degree by its commitment to reduce carbon emissions, water usage and waste in its manufacturing process.

Social

Social risks are highly negative. While customer relations and responsible production scores are neutral to low, human capital and health and safety risks are moderate, reflecting the use of heavy equipment and machinery in harvesting and in the manufacturing facilities. The secular decline in graphic paper consumption drives the score for Demographic and Societal Trends, as well as the overall S-IPS to 4 (highly negative). While we acknowledge that UPM has a track record of successful diversification beyond graphic-grade paper operations in mature markets, its graphic paper exposure is still high (accounting for around 36% of revenue in 2021), with direct financial implications including regular and sizeable restructuring/closure costs, as well as those related to its capacity and speed to build its non-paper businesses.

Governance

Governance risks are neutral to low. This reflects UPM's conservative financial policies, a well-established governance structure and a high degree of board independence.

ESG Issuer Profile Scores and Credit Impact Scores for the rated entity/transaction are available on www.moodys.com. To view the latest scores, please click here to go to the landing page for the entity/transaction on MDC and view the ESG Scores section.

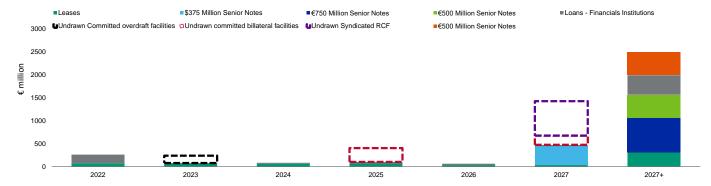
Liquidity analysis

UPM's liquidity is excellent. As of 31 March 2022, UPM reported about €1.3 billion of cash and cash equivalents on its balance sheet, further underpinned by (i) a fully undrawn €750 million syndicated revolving credit facility linked to biodiversity and climate targets maturing in 2027, (ii) €500 million bilateral sustainability-linked revolving credit facilities, €300 million of which mature in 2025 and €200 million in 2027 and (iii) around €160 million of rolling committed overdraft facilities maturing in 2023. As of 31 March 2022, UPM reported around €190 million of short-term debt maturities, and there are no significant debt maturities until 2027, when the \$375 million bond comes due.

Exhibit 11

Debt maturity profile

As of Q1 2022



Source: UPM's Q4 2021 report

Methodology and scorecard

We use our <u>Paper and Forest Products Industry</u> rating methodology, published in December 2021, as the primary methodology for assessing UPM. The methodology scorecard indicates a Baa2 outcome for both our current view and 12-18-month forward view, which is one notch below the actual assigned rating of Baa1. The one-notch difference is driven by the fact that the (RCF - capital spending)/ debt factor has been weakened by the considerable increase in capital spending related to the strategic investments in the pulp and biochemicals businesses.

Exhibit 12

Rating factors

UPM-Kymmene

Paper and Forest Products Industry Grid [1][2]	Curre LTM 3/31	
Factor 1 : Scale (10%)	Measure	Score
a) Revenue (USD Billion)	\$11.7	Baa
Factor 2 : Business Profile (30%)	·	
a) Product Line Diversification	А	Α
b) Geographic and Operational Diversification	Baa	Baa
c) Market Position, Cyclicality and Growth Potential	Ва	Ва
Factor 3 : Profitability and Efficiency (15%)	·	
a) EBITDA Margin	17.4%	Ва
b) Fiber and Energy Flexibility and Cost	Baa	Baa
Factor 4 : Leverage and Coverage (30%)	·	
a) RCF / Debt	17.7%	Ва
b) (RCF - CAPEX) / Debt	-27.6%	Ca
c) Debt / EBITDA	2.0x	Baa
d) EBITDA / Interest	42.9x	Aaa
Factor 5 : Financial Policy (15%)		
a) Financial Policy	Baa	Baa
Rating:	·	
Indicated Outcome before Notching Adjustments		Baa3
Notching Adjustments		0.5
a) Scorecard-Indicated Outcome	•	Baa2
b) Actual Rating Assigned		-

Moody's 12-18 Month	
As of 7/12/202	
Measure	Score
\$12 - \$14	Baa
Α	Α
Baa	Baa
Ва	Ва
18.5% - 19.1%	Ва
Baa	Baa
25% - 35%	Baa
-10% - 10%	В
1.7x - 2x	Baa
40x - 45x	Aaa
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Baa	Baa
	Baa2
0.5	0.5
	Baa2
	Baa1

^[1] All ratios are based on 'Adjusted' financial data and incorporate Moody's Global Standard Adjustments for Non-Financial Corporations.

Ratings

Exhibit 13

Category	Moody's Rating
UPM-KYMMENE	
Outlook	Stable
Issuer Rating -Dom Curr	Baa1
Senior Unsecured	Baa1
Source: Moody's Investors Service	

^[2] As of 3/31/2022.

^[3] Forward view represents Moody's view, not the view of the issuer, and does not incorporate significant acquisitions, investments or extraordinary shareholder distributions. Source: Moody's Financial MetricsTM

Appendix

Exhibit 14

Peer comparison

		UPM-Kymmene Mondi Plc		Stora Enso Oyj			Domtar Corporation			Sappi Limited					
		Baa1 Stable			Baa1 Negative	9	Baa3 Stable		Ba2 RUR			Ba2 Stable			
	FYE	FYE	LTM	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	LTM	FYE	FYE	LTM	FYE	FYE	LTM
(in USD million)	Dec-20	Dec-21	Mar-22	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21	Dec-20	Dec-21	Mar-22	Dec-20	Dec-21	Mar-22	Sep-20	Sep-21	Mar-22
Revenue	\$9,793	\$11,612	\$11,727	\$8,137	\$7,605	\$9,138	\$9,762	\$12,026	\$12,424	\$3,415	\$3,668	\$3,807	\$4,609	\$5,265	\$6,373
Operating Profit	\$945	\$1,564	\$1,537	\$1,360	\$990	\$1,267	\$1,056	\$1,783	\$2,011	\$51	\$170	\$209	\$4	\$173	\$531
EBITDA	\$1,485	\$2,117	\$2,046	\$1,840	\$1,510	\$1,794	\$1,746	\$2,409	\$2,602	\$282	\$394	\$433	\$330	\$513	\$856
Total Debt	\$3,187	\$3,594	\$3,849	\$2,658	\$2,772	\$2,622	\$6,558	\$5,054	\$4,753	\$1,326	\$2,054	\$1,802	\$2,633	\$2,686	\$2,607
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$2,105	\$1,660	\$1,493	\$83	\$467	\$538	\$2,032	\$1,684	\$1,094	\$309	\$286	\$54	\$279	\$366	\$440
EBIT / Interest Expense	17.5x	32.6x	32.4x	11.4x	8.7x	11.1x	6.1x	10.7x	12.8x	0.8x	2.5x	2.8x	0.1x	1.3x	3.9x
Debt / EBITDA	2.0x	1.8x	2.0x	1.4x	1.7x	1.5x	3.5x	2.2x	1.9x	4.7x	5.2x	4.2x	8.0x	5.2x	3.0x
RCF / Net Debt	44.3%	40.1%	28.9%	38.8%	46.2%	51.0%	18.1%	43.2%	40.2%	22.7%	14.7%	15.6%	11.2%	16.3%	33.2%
FCF / Debt	-22.9%	-30.2%	-35.1%	2.5%	12.5%	4.9%	5.0%	10.8%	12.4%	13.9%	-10.0%	-12.3%	-2.2%	0.5%	6.5%

All figures and ratios are calculated using Moody's estimates and standard adjustments. FYE = Fiscal year-end. LTM = Last 12 months. RUR = Ratings under Review. Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

Exhibit 15
Reconciliation of Moody's-adjusted debt

	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	LTM
(in EUR million)	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21	Mar-22
As Reported Total Debt	1,114	777	1,300	2,042	2,629	2,929
Pensions	565	613	699	720	634	634
Leases	396	440	0	0	0	0
Non-Standard Adjustments	(162)	(134)	(153)	(157)	(103)	(104)
Moody's Adjusted Total Debt	1,913	1,696	1,846	2,605	3,160	3,459

 $Source: Moody's \ Financial \ Metrics {}^{\text{TM}}$

Reconciliation of Moody's-adjusted debt

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	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	LTM
(in EUR million)	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21	Mar-22
As Reported EBITDA	1,677	2,283	1,826	1,302	2,079	2,050
Pensions	44	15	12	(1)	1	1
Leases	42	44	0	0	0	0
Unusual Items	(49)	(69)	(15)	0	(291)	(291)
Non-Standard Adjustments	(5)	(6)	(3)	0	0	0
Moody's Adjusted EBITDA	1,709	2,267	1,820	1,301	1,789	1,760

Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

Exhibit 17
Overview of UPM's key metrics

	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	FYE	LTM
(in EUR million)	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21	Mar-22
INCOME STATEMENT						
Revenue	10,010	10,483	10,238	8,580	9,814	10,087
EBITDA	1,709	2,267	1,820	1,301	1,789	1,760
EBIT	1,234	1,821	1,343	830	1,326	1,327
Interest Expense	61	69	55	47	41	41
BALANCE SHEET						
Cash & Cash Equivalents	716	888	1,536	1,720	1,460	1,342
Total Debt	1,913	1,696	1,846	2,605	3,160	3,459
Net Debt	1,197	808	310	885	1,700	2,117
CASH FLOW						
Funds from Operations (FFO)	1,479	1,565	1,579	1,108	1,386	1,316
Cash Flow From Operations (CFO)	1,586	1,378	1,860	1,020	1,259	1,054
Capital Expenditures	(333)	(325)	(437)	(900)	(1,507)	(1,564)
Dividends	507	613	693	716	705	705
Retained Cash Flow (RCF)	972	952	886	392	681	611
RCF / Debt	50.8%	56.1%	48.0%	15.0%	21.6%	17.7%
(RCF - CAPEX) / Debt	33.4%	37.0%	24.3%	-19.5%	-26.1%	-27.6%
Free Cash Flow (FCF)	746	440	730	(596)	(953)	(1,215)
FCF / Debt	39.0%	25.9%	39.5%	-22.9%	-30.2%	-35.1%
PROFITABILITY						
% Change in Sales (YoY)	2.0%	4.7%	-2.3%	-16.2%	14.4%	18.3%
EBIT margin %	12.3%	17.4%	13.1%	9.7%	13.5%	13.2%
EBITDA margin %	17.1%	21.6%	17.8%	15.2%	18.2%	17.4%
INTEREST COVERAGE						
EBIT / Interest Expense	20.2x	26.5x	24.6x	17.5x	32.6x	32.4x
EBITDA / Interest Expense	27.9x	33.0x	33.3x	27.5x	44.0x	42.9x
LEVERAGE						
Debt / EBITDA	1.1x	0.7x	1.0x	2.0x	1.8x	2.0x
Net Debt / EBITDA	0.7x	0.4x	0.2x	0.7x	1.0x	1.2x

All ratios are based on 'Adjusted' financial data and incorporate Moody's Global Standard Adjustments for Non-Financial Corporations. Source: Moody's Financial $Metrics^{TM}$

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