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## Rating Action: **Moody's assigns Aa2 ratings to JR TT's bonds**

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### **JPY 50 billion of New Debt Securities Rated**

Tokyo, November 11, 2009 -- Moody's Investors Service has assigned its Aa2 ratings to the Series 27, JPY 30 billion bonds due 2013 and the Series 28, JPY 20 billion bonds due 2019 issued by Japan Railway Construction, Transport and Technology Agency (JR TT). The bonds are not guaranteed by the Japanese government. The rating outlook is stable.

The Aa2 rating reflects JR TT's intrinsic strength -- including Moody's expectation the favorable legal and regulatory framework will continue, contributing to its low operating and refinancing risks -- and the credit support which Moody's believes the government would provide in a stressful situation.

JR TT operates a wide variety of business -- from constructing railway facilities and leasing them to railway companies, joint building and ownership of ships and providing financial support to shipbuilding technology R&D, to disposing of the legacy assets of the former Japan National Railways, as well as the exclusive construction of Shinkansen Super Express railway facilities, carried out as determined by the national government's transportation policy.

The last rating action with respect to JR TT was on July 22, 2009, when the ratings of 13 Japanese government-related issuers were downgraded to Aa2 from Aaa.

The principal methodology used in rating this issuer was "The Application of Joint Default Analysis to Government Related Issuers", published in April 2005, which can be found at [www.moody's.com](http://www.moody's.com) in the Research & Ratings directory, in the Rating Methodologies subdirectory. Other methodologies and factors that may have been considered in the process of rating this issuer can also be found in the Rating Methodologies subdirectory.

Japan Railway Construction, Transport and Technology Agency is an independent administrative corporation, established in October 2003.

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