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#### Deutsche Bahn AG

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Outlook	Stable

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## Deutsche Bahn AG

Update to credit analysis following rating affirmation and downgrade of BCA

### Summary

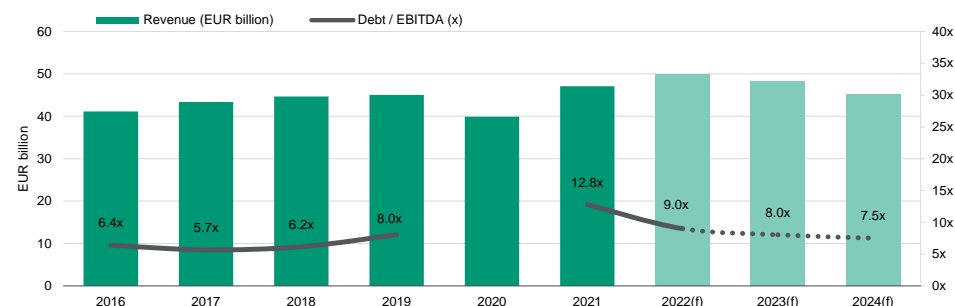
[Deutsche Bahn AG's](#) (DB) Aa1 issuer rating combines its a3 Baseline Credit Assessment (BCA) with our assessment of a high likelihood of the company receiving extraordinary support from the [Government of Germany](#) (Aaa stable) in times of need. This assessment is based on the government's willingness and very strong ability to provide support to DB, given the sovereign's ample financial reserves, as reflected in its Aaa rating. Such an assessment results in a five-notch uplift to the company's BCA for a final rating of Aa1.

DB's a3 BCA reflects the high leverage which will remain above 7.0x, and its free cash flow (FCF) which will be significantly negative in the next 18-24 months, higher than levels seen before 2019 as a result of high capital spending and increased levels of debt. The BCA remains supported by the company's size, geographical diversification and leading global market position, and the stability and predictability of the legal framework for railway companies in Germany.

The Baa1 rating of the Hybrid is one notch lower than DB's a3 BCA and six notches lower than the company's Aa1 long-term issuer rating. This reflects certain features of the security, which is perpetual, deeply subordinated and allows DB to opt for coupon deferrals on a cumulative basis. Because of these characteristics, we believe that, in case of need, government support may not be as strong, or as timely as it would be for senior unsecured debt.

Exhibit 1

### Leverage will remain high despite traffic recovery and government support Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA



All figures and ratios are calculated using our estimates and standard adjustments. The forecasts (f) are our opinion and do not represent the views of the issuer. Periods are fiscal year end unless indicated otherwise. Fiscal 2020 leverage was above 30.0x and, therefore, is not represented in the chart.

Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

## Credit strengths

- » High probability of support from the German government
- » Large scale, and good geographical and sector diversification
- » Vertically integrated business model, including monopolistic railway infrastructure activities
- » Solid business profile, supported by a predictable operating environment, given the reliability of the regulations and subsidies that the company receives

## Credit challenges

- » Sustainable volume recovery after severe disruptions caused by the coronavirus pandemic
- » Persistent strain on profitability, primarily because of the pandemic-induced disruptions and structural difficulties
- » Strained free cash flow because of an intense capital spending programme
- » High leverage but will likely decrease towards 7.0x in the next 18-24 months

## Rating outlook

The stable outlook reflects the company's ongoing recovery in earnings and cash flow and our expectations that leverage will stabilise at around 7x in the next 18-24 months, a level commensurate with its a3 BCA. The stable outlook also assumes that DB will not engage in any significant corporate transactions over the medium term other than the divestment of Arriva.

## Factors that could lead to an upgrade

An upgrade is unlikely because DB's rating is one notch lower than the sovereign rating, and we expect this gap to remain.

The BCA could be upgraded if:

- » DB's Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA decreases below 6.0x on a sustained basis
- » DB successfully executes its plan to significantly improve operational efficiencies and operating performance, illustrated by a substantial and sustained increase in its Moody's-adjusted EBIT margin to the mid-single digits in percentage terms
- » the company achieves a sustainable, positive free cash flow.

## Factors that could lead to a downgrade

A downgrade of Germany's sovereign rating could result in a downgrade of DB's ratings.

In addition, we could downgrade DB's ratings if the likelihood of extraordinary support from the government decreases or if the BCA deteriorates further and is not adequately compensated by stronger government support.

The BCA could be downgraded if:

- » DB fails to execute its cost-saving plan
- » DB's Moody's-adjusted debt/EBITDA remains above 7x on a sustained basis
- » its EBIT margin fails to improve at least to 3%
- » the company's business profile weakens as a result of a change in its integrated business model, with a separation of its rail and logistics business from its infrastructure management activities

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## Key indicators

Exhibit 2

### Deutsche Bahn AG

EUR billion	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21	2022 (f)	2023 (f)	2024 (f)
Revenue	€ 43.4	€ 44.7	€ 45.0	€ 39.9	€ 47.1	€ 50.0	€ 48.1	€ 45.1
EBITA margin %	3.0%	3.1%	2.0%	-8.0%	-1.0%	1.7%	2.5%	3.3%
Debt / EBITDA	5.7x	6.2x	8.0x	98.1x	12.8x	9.0x	8.0x	7.5x
FCF / Debt	-6.9%	-3.9%	-6.5%	-12.1%	-6.3%	-5.8%	-7.6%	-5.5%
RCF / Net Debt	20.8%	18.4%	15.2%	4.2%	15.3%	10.1%	10.2%	11.1%
(FFO + Int. Exp.) / Interest Exp.	7.9x	7.6x	8.4x	3.9x	9.4x	5.2x	6.1x	6.6x

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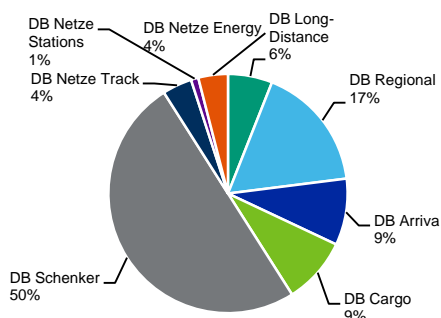
Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

## Profile

Deutsche Bahn AG (DB) is a vertically integrated rail and logistics group that owns and operates the German national rail transportation network. DB is one of the largest rail and logistics companies in the world. In 2021, DB generated company-adjusted revenue of €47.1 billion and reported EBIT (excluding effects from the pandemic-related reduction in train-path prices) of negative €1.6 billion. The company provides rail track infrastructure, and passenger and freight transportation services under its holding umbrella. DB holds leading market positions in most of the segments in which it operates. These segments include long-distance rail (6% of revenue), regional passenger rail in Germany (17%), mass-transit transportation services in various European countries outside of Germany, through its subsidiaries DB Arriva (9%) and DB Cargo (9%), worldwide logistic services through its subsidiary DB Schenker (50%), energy supply (4%) and railway stations and infrastructure management (5%).

Exhibit 3

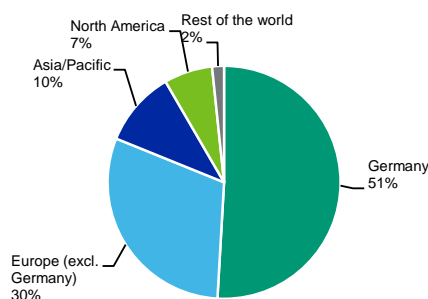
### Revenue breakdown by segment 2021



Source: Company report

Exhibit 4

### Revenue breakdown by region 2021



External revenue.  
Source: Company report

## Detailed credit considerations

### Further recovery of passenger revenue as mobility restrictions ease, logistics revenue continues to offset shortfall

Based on recent improvements in passenger volumes, we assume that rail travel will fully reach 2019 levels in the next 12-24 months, which underpins our expectation that EBITDA will recover to 2019 levels by 2023. Despite the volume recovery we expect the post-pandemic levels of working from home to permanently affect business travel.

In 2021, DB's overall revenue improved by 18% from that in 2020, driven mainly by strong growth in logistics activities because of the robust economic recovery in Germany and across the world, as well as a significant increase in freight rates. Although performance

was still hurt by the pandemic-led disruption, long-distance passenger revenue recovered substantially from March 2021. In the nine months from March to December 2021, passenger travel increased 30% from that in the year-earlier period. We expect cargo and logistics revenue to improve further, well above the pre-pandemic levels in 2022 while volume and prices remain high. However, the rise in geopolitical risks and inflation could dampen our forecasts beyond 2022.

### Low profitability and high leverage will remain key credit concerns

DB's revenue recovered ahead of pre-pandemic levels already in 2021 however, EBITDA did not fully recover because revenue from the lower margin freight segments was proportionately higher than before the pandemic. We expect EBITDA and operating cash flow to recover to pre-pandemic levels in 2023 based on recent trading and our revised forecasts. Recovery will be bolstered by the execution of the company's cost-saving programme, which aims to reduce costs by more than €5 billion by 2024. The programme, which is ahead of plan, achieved €1.7 billion of cost savings in 2021 and has achieved €2.8 billion to date (€1 billion is linked to capital spending).

Including the government's support measures (see subheading below: *Increased importance of DB to achieve the government's CO<sub>2</sub> reduction targets in the transportation sector in Germany*), we expect DB's funded debt to remain broadly stable in 2022 before reducing to around €38 billion in 2024. DB's gross debt increased to around €41 billion in 2020 from around €36 billion in 2019 as a result of the pandemic; however, it remained stable in 2021.

We expect the company's leverage to remain high at around 7x in the next 18-24 months and to improve to 6.5x thereafter if the cost savings plan is successful.

### High and increasing capital spending will strain free cash flow

We expect DB's FCF to be significantly negative over the next 12-18 months, driven by reduced passenger volumes and the ongoing high capital spending (averaging above €6.5 billion a year until 2025, after deducting investment grants and post IFRS16). We also expect DB to realise the sale of DB Arriva not before 2024 or until market conditions improve.

### Vertically integrated business model is credit positive

DB's high leverage and weak FCF coverage are largely because of the company's vertically integrated business model and substantial investment needs in rail track infrastructure and rolling stock. The combination of the two businesses provides DB with an advantage, given the breadth of its operations. Therefore, DB can accommodate higher leverage in the a3 BCA rating category than pure rail operators such as [Ceske drahy, a.s.](#) (Baa2 stable, ba2). [SNCF S.A.](#) (Aa3 stable, a3) is DB's closest peer following the integration of the infrastructure manager [SNCF Réseau](#)'s (Aa2 stable) monopolistic activities on 1 January 2020.

### Solid business profile, supported by a predictable operating environment

The operating environment in Germany is stable and supportive of DB's credit quality. Germany has set the pace for the liberalisation of the rail sector. For this purpose, the government has put in place a stable legal framework that entails a constitutional obligation on its part to provide functional rail infrastructure, which implies that it will sustain most of the investments in infrastructure; the budgeting of funds for regional transportation according to the German regionalisation act; and the existence of a performance and financing agreement between DB and the federal government for the existing rail infrastructure, with well-defined quality levels.

As a result of the opening of the German rail sector to competition, more than 25 years ago, DB's market shares in both regional passenger transport and rail freight have declined, but very gradually. The market share of rail freight was slightly below 50% in 2021 and regional passenger market share was around 60%. The decline has been offset by an increase in the absolute number of passengers, and the company has also benefited from the ability to regain previously lost routes in recent years, for example, DB Regional managed to gain parts of the North Rhine-Westphalia network in early 2022 as the operator withdrew from the German market. Moreover, DB's business profile is supported by the company's large size and broad diversification in terms of both business segment (rail and bus passenger transport, rail freight, logistics and rail infrastructure) and geography.

DB's business profile is also underpinned by its leading market positions. DB is the market leader in the European rail freight business and is the second-largest passenger railway operator in Europe after SNCF S.A. In addition, DB is one of the leading groups in European land transport, air freight, ocean freight and contract logistics.

### Increased importance of DB to achieve the government's CO<sub>2</sub> reduction targets in the transportation sector in Germany

We expect the German government to provide timely support to DB if the viability of the German rail infrastructure and operation is at risk because of the company's strategic role in guaranteeing a public rail service across Germany and because it is one of the key drivers of the government's climate action plan ([Climate Action Programme 2030](#)). The plan is aimed at significantly reducing pollution (CO<sub>2</sub> reduction targets were set based on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 1990) for the German transport sector, which in 2021 was raised to -48% by 2030 (from -42%, the previous target set in 2019).

DB is increasingly important in its role as the European hub for rail transport. Also, the company's strategic importance has increased in the last couple of years, as DB is vital to the German government's energy replacement strategy, which is necessary to compensate for energy deliveries from Russia. DB is also vital to fulfilling new transport requirements triggered by the military conflict in Ukraine.

The government has also established a very strong track record of ongoing and extraordinary support for DB. For instance, the company benefits from more than €6 billion of support measures from the government to compensate for the pandemic-induced disruptions, of which €3.8 billion was received in 2021, and further €2.2 billion is expected in 2022. This government support is in addition to the more than €9 billion expected annual capital spending contributions and the €11 billion capital injection (equity and investment grants) that the government will make by 2030 as part of its Climate Action Programme, and other indirect measures such as value-added tax (VAT) reductions for long-distance rail services since 1 January 2020 and surcharges on domestic air travel aimed at promoting the increased use of rail transport in Germany.

Because of DB's 100% ownership by the German government, we apply our [Government-Related Issuers](#) rating methodology to the company. Therefore, DB's rating reflects a combination of the following inputs:

- » the a3 BCA
- » the Aaa domestic-currency rating of the Federal Republic of Germany
- » the high default dependence between DB and the government
- » the high probability of support from the government

Our assessment of the high default dependence between DB and the German government reflects the country's status as a key hub of European rail traffic, and the strong integration of railway infrastructure into the international economy and trade flow. These factors are balanced by DB's geographical diversification, mainly through its international logistics and freight-forwarding activities, and its rail freight activities in the neighbouring European rail markets.

Our expectation that the government will provide DB with a high level of support in case of need is based on the constitutional requirement that the government remains the majority owner of the rail infrastructure in the country and is responsible for ensuring the functionality of the rail infrastructure; DB's 100% state ownership; the strategic importance of a functioning, well-funded rail infrastructure for Germany's economy; an overall strong political consensus regarding the public role of DB and the importance of its activities for the German economy; and DB's dominant role as a regional transport provider, in addition to its de facto monopoly in the long-distance passenger rail segment.

### ESG considerations

We take into consideration the impact of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors when assessing companies' credit quality. In the case of DB, the main ESG-related drivers are the following:

#### Environmental

- » The shift to greener forms of transport supports DB's volume growth. Passenger railways tend to be environmentally clean and highly energy-efficient. With more than 90% of rail operations electrified in Germany as of December 2021, rail transport produces lower emissions than alternative means of transport such as air, bus or car. Passenger railway volumes will be driven by the increasing awareness among travelers, and the governments' or local authorities' incentives to choose public transportation. However, DB's ongoing efforts to reduce its environmental impact will continue to strain the company's cash flow.

- » DB is already experiencing the consequences of climate change. Record temperatures and fiercer storms strain the company's punctuality and the viability of its rail tracks temporarily, leading to potential disruptions and higher maintenance and capital spending. We classify this as physical climate risk according to our ESG classification. In July 2021, DB experienced extensive flood damages, which will be largely reimbursed by the government.

### Social

- » We regard the pandemic as a social risk. The passenger railway sector in Germany has been significantly hurt by the shock caused by the pandemic, given its sensitivity to consumer demand and sentiment.
- » Social risks also stem from the company's high exposure to human capital, with 323,716 employees as of December 2021 and a high number of unionised employees. Passenger railways are highly exposed to the risk of collective bargaining and industrial actions. Three strikes took place from August to early September 2021 by GDL members (German Train Drivers' Union), which is the second-largest railway union in Germany. DB and GDL union reached an agreement in September 2021. The agreement included a raise in salaries of around 3.3% over the next 32 months and two bonus payments of €700-€1200. Strikes such as the ones mentioned above can have both reputational and financial consequences.

### Governance

- » DB's corporate governance structure is in line with the German law and articles of association. The supervisory board consists of 20 members and, consistent with the German Codetermination Act (MitBestiG), includes equal numbers of shareholders and employee representatives with an additional vote for the chairman in case of a draw.
- » DB has highly concentrated ownership, with the German government being the only shareholder.
- » Despite the company's high leverage, DB's financial policy is relatively balanced, with a track record of support from the German Government. For example dividends are repatriated to the company in the form of non-repayable investment grants as part of the so called Performance and Financing Agreement for the modernization of the existing rail networks.

### Liquidity analysis

We expect DB to have excellent liquidity over the next 12 months, supported by its cash position of €4 billion as of 31 March 2022; its fully available commercial paper programme of €3 billion as of 31 March 2022; its undrawn €2.5 billion committed credit lines as of 31 March 2022; its recovering cash flow from operations, which we expect to be around €3.7 billion in 2022; and the planned government support.

The major cash needs for DB include capital spending (net of grants from the German government), which we estimate will be around €6.5 billion (including IFRS 16) in 2022, and around €1 billion in debt maturities by December 2022.

We also expect DB to maintain its excellent access to the capital markets, having recently tapped the market for €900 million in May 2022.

## Methodology and scorecard

DB's BCA of a3 is two notches higher than the historical scorecard-indicated outcome of our [Passenger Railways and Bus companies](#), published in December 2021. The BCA is two notches above the forward-looking scorecard-indicated outcome. The deviations in both scorecard-indicated outcomes from the actual BCA of a3 reflect our expectation that DB's leverage and EBIT margin will recover to around 7.0x and around 3%, respectively, only after 2024 which is not captured in the current 12-18 month forward-looking view.

Exhibit 5

### Rating factors

Deutsche Bahn AG

Passenger Railways and Bus Companies Industry Scorecard [1][2]			Current Fiscal 12/31/2021		Moody's 12-18 Month Forward View As of 6/30/2022	
Factor 1 : Scale (15%)	Measure	Score	Measure	Score	Measure	Score
a) Revenue (USD Billion)	\$55.7	Aaa	\$56	Aaa		
Factor 2 : Business Profile (25%)						
a) Stability of Operating Environment	Aaa	Aaa	Aaa	Aaa		
b) Market Characteristics	Aaa	Aaa	Aaa	Aaa		
c) Competitive Environment	Aa	Aa	Aa	Aa		
Factor 3 : Profitability and Efficiency (10%)						
a) EBIT Margin	-1.4%	Ca	1.1% - 1.9%	Caa		
Factor 4 : Leverage and Coverage (35%)						
a) Debt / EBITDA	12.8x	Ca	8x - 9x	Caa		
b) RCF / Net Debt	15.3%	Baa	10.1% - 10.2%			
c) (FFO + Interest) / Interest	9.4x	Aa	5.2x - 6.1x	A		
Factor 5 : Financial Policy (15%)						
a) Financial Policy	Ba	Ba	Ba	Ba		
Rating:						
a) Scorecard-Indicated Outcome		Baa2		Baa2		
b) Actual Rating Assigned				Aa1		
Government-Related Issuer	Factor					
a) Baseline Credit Assessment	a3					
b) Government Local Currency Rating	Aaa Stable					
c) Default Dependence	High					
d) Support	High					
e) Actual Rating Assigned	Aa1 Sta					

(1) All ratios are based on adjusted financial data and incorporate our Global Standard Adjustments for Non-Financial Corporations.

(2) This represents our forward view, not the view of the issuer, and unless noted in the text, does not incorporate significant acquisitions and divestitures.

Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

## Appendix

Exhibit 6

### Peer comparison

	Deutsche Bahn AG Aa1 Stable			SNCF Réseau Aa3 Stable			Ceske drahý, a.s. Baa2 Stable		
	FYE Dec-19	FYE Dec-20	FYE Dec-21	FYE Dec-19	FYE Dec-20	FYE Dec-21	FYE Dec-19	FYE Dec-20	FYE Dec-21
(in USD million)									
Revenue	\$50,424	\$45,541	\$55,697	\$39,317	\$34,212	\$41,117	\$1,773	\$1,550	\$1,778
EBITDA	\$4,952	\$481	\$3,801	\$6,483	\$3,289	\$6,585	\$399	\$207	\$361
EBITA Margin %	2.0%	-8.0%	-1.0%	6.4%	-2.5%	6.0%	5.3%	-7.4%	0.8%
EBITA / Average Assets	1.4%	-4.9%	-0.7%	2.4%	-0.7%	1.7%	2.3%	-2.8%	0.3%
(FFO + Int. Exp.) / Interest Exp.	8.4x	3.9x	9.4x	3.0x	1.4x	2.4x	7.3x	6.3x	7.1x
Total Debt / Capital	71.6%	86.5%	80.8%	112.9%	86.7%	84.8%	48.9%	53.9%	55.6%
Debt / EBITDA	8.0x	98.1x	12.8x	13.9x	28.7x	14.6x	4.6x	9.5x	6.2x
FCF / Debt	-6.5%	-12.1%	-6.3%	-4.2%	-5.9%	-1.7%	-7.3%	-11.0%	-11.8%
RCF / Net Debt	15.2%	4.2%	15.3%	4.2%	0.1%	6.6%	22.2%	14.4%	16.3%

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Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

Exhibit 7

### Moody's-adjusted debt breakdown

#### Deutsche Bahn AG

(in EUR million)	FYE Dec-17	FYE Dec-18	FYE Dec-19	FYE Dec-20	FYE Dec-21
<b>As Reported Total Debt</b>	<b>22,076</b>	<b>23,244</b>	<b>28,693</b>	<b>33,324</b>	<b>34,486</b>
Pensions	3,940	4,823	5,354	6,517	5,031
Operating Leases	5,310	5,406	0	0	0
Hybrid Securities	0	0	999	1,001	1,001
Securitization	375	524	526	453	543
<b>Moody's Adjusted Total Debt</b>	<b>31,701</b>	<b>33,997</b>	<b>35,572</b>	<b>41,295</b>	<b>41,061</b>

Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

Exhibit 8

### Moody's-adjusted EBITDA breakdown

#### Deutsche Bahn AG

(in EUR million)	FYE Dec-17	FYE Dec-18	FYE Dec-19	FYE Dec-20	FYE Dec-21
<b>As Reported EBITDA</b>	<b>4,572</b>	<b>4,529</b>	<b>5,055</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>3,599</b>
Pensions	8	11	26	12	(49)
Operating Leases	1,770	1,802	0	0	0
Unusual	(744)	(811)	(670)	(208)	(337)
Non-Standard Adjustments	(14)	(12)	12	0	0
<b>Moody's Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>5,592</b>	<b>5,519</b>	<b>4,423</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>3,213</b>

Source: Moody's Financial Metrics™

Exhibit 9

Select historical and projected Moody's-adjusted financial data  
Deutsche Bahn AG

(in EUR million)	FYE Dec-17	FYE Dec-18	FYE Dec-19	FYE Dec-20	FYE Dec-21	2022 (f)	2023 (f)
<b>INCOME STATEMENT</b>							
Revenue	43,355	44,698	45,041	39,901	47,075	49,997	48,135
EBITDA	5,592	5,519	4,423	421	3,213	4,568	5,236
EBIT	1,093	1,193	735	(3,420)	(670)	537	935
Interest Expense	946	915	735	779	669	898	911
<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>							
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3,397	3,544	3,993	3,411	4,591	4,102	2,518
Total Debt	31,701	33,997	35,572	41,295	41,061	41,288	41,888
Net Debt	28,304	30,453	31,579	37,884	36,470	37,186	39,370
<b>CASH FLOW</b>							
Funds from Operations (FFO)	6,496	6,057	5,458	2,256	5,599	3,760	4,651
Cash Flow From Operations (CFO)	3,896	4,834	3,603	1,483	3,797	3,660	4,502
Capital Expenditures	(5,482)	(5,684)	(5,242)	(5,811)	(6,369)	(6,062)	(7,049)
Dividends	612	463	662	667	20	(13)	637
Retained Cash Flow (RCF)	5,884	5,594	4,796	1,589	5,579	3,773	4,014
RCF / Debt	18.6%	16.5%	13.5%	3.8%	13.6%	9.1%	9.6%
RCF / Net Debt	20.8%	18.4%	15.2%	4.2%	15.3%	10.1%	10.2%
Free Cash Flow (FCF)	(2,198)	(1,313)	(2,301)	(4,995)	(2,592)	(2,389)	(3,184)
FCF / Debt	-6.9%	-3.9%	-6.5%	-12.1%	-6.3%	-5.8%	-7.6%
<b>PROFITABILITY</b>							
% Change in Sales (YoY)	5.3%	3.1%	0.8%	-11.4%	18.0%	6.2%	-3.7%
EBIT margin %	2.5%	2.7%	1.6%	-8.6%	-1.4%	1.1%	1.9%
EBITDA margin %	12.9%	12.3%	9.8%	1.1%	6.8%	9.1%	10.9%
<b>INTEREST COVERAGE</b>							
(FFO + Interest Exp.) / Interest Exp.	7.9x	7.6x	8.4x	3.9x	9.4x	5.2x	6.1x
(EBITDA-CAPEX) / Interest Expense	0.1x	-0.2x	-1.1x	-7.0x	-4.7x	-1.7x	-2.0x
EBIT / Interest Expense	1.2x	1.3x	1.0x	-4.4x	-1.0x	0.6x	1.0x
EBITDA / Interest Expense	5.9x	6.0x	6.0x	0.5x	4.8x	5.1x	5.7x
<b>LEVERAGE</b>							
Debt / EBITDA	5.7x	6.2x	8.0x	98.1x	12.8x	9.0x	8.0x
Net Debt / EBITDA	5.1x	5.5x	7.1x	90.0x	11.4x	8.1x	7.5x

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## Ratings

Exhibit 10

Category	Moody's Rating
<b>DEUTSCHE BAHN AG</b>	
Outlook	Stable
Issuer Rating -Dom Curr	Aa1
Senior Unsecured MTN	(P)Aa1
Commercial Paper -Dom Curr	P-1
Other Short Term -Dom Curr	(P)P-1
<b>DEUTSCHE BAHN FINANCE GMBH</b>	
Outlook	Stable
Senior Unsecured	Aa1
Bkd Subordinate -Dom Curr	Baa1
Bkd Commercial Paper -Dom Curr	P-1
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