# LCR ASSESSMENT PEPPER IBERIA CONSUMER 2024



PRIME COLLATERALISED SECURITIES (PCS) EU SAS

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# PRIME COLLATERALISED SECURITIES (PCS) LCR Assessment

Date of Verification  The transaction to be verified (the "Transaction")	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2024  PEPPER IBERIA CONSUMER 2024
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Issuer	PEPPER IBERIA CONSUMER 2024, FONDO DE TITULIZACIÓN
Originator	Pepper Finance Corporation, S.L.U. ("Pepper Spain" or the "Seller")
Lead Manager(s)	Banco Santander, Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG and Jefferies
Transaction Legal Counsel	Cuatrecasas, Gonçalves Pereira S.L.P. ("Cuatrecasas")
Rating Agencies	MDBRS and S&P
Stock Exchange	IBERCLEAR
Closing Date	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2024

PCS confirms that all checklist points have been verified as detailed in the associated comment box in the checklist below.

A summary of the checklist points by article is set out in the table of contents on the next page together with a reference to the respective article contents. To examine a specific article from the list below, please click on the article description to be taken directly to the relevant section of the checklist.

Within the checklist, the relevant legislative text is set out in grey introductory boxes with specific criteria for our verification listed underneath.



#### Legislative Text and LCR Criteria

See Article 13 of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/61 of 10 October 2014, as amended by the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2018/1620 of 13 July 2018.

#### 1a LCR Criteria

1. Exposures in the form of asset-backed securities as referred to in Article 12(1)(a) shall qualify as level 2B securitisations where the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) the designation 'STS' or 'simple, transparent and standardised', or a designation that refers directly or indirectly to those terms, is permitted to be used for the securitisation in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/2402 of the European Parliament and of the Council and is being so used:

Meets Criteria?
YES

#### **PCS Comments**

PCS is advised that the transaction PEPPER IBERIA is expected to be designated STS.

#### 1b LCR Criteria

1. Exposures in the form of asset-backed securities as referred to in Article 12(1)(a) shall qualify as level 2B securitisations where the following conditions are satisfied:

Meets Criteria? YES

(b) the criteria laid down in paragraph 2 and paragraphs 10 to 13 of this Article are met.

#### **PCS Comments**

PCS has ticked the questions below as "yes". See the disclaimer above for a fuller analysis of the limitations of PCS's LCR assessment

#### 2a LCR Criteria

- 2. The securitisation position and the exposures underlying the position shall meet all the following requirements:
- (a) the position has been assigned a credit assessment of credit quality step 1 by a nominated ECAI in accordance with Article 264 of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 or the equivalent credit quality step in the event of a short-term credit assessment;

Meets Criteria?
YES

# **PCS Comments**

2 (a)

PCS notes that the senior notes (Class A Notes) are rated: AAA(sf) /AAA(sf) by S&P and MDBRS as of the Disbursement Date, which is in accordance with the regulation.

# 2b LCR Criteria

- 2. The securitisation position and the exposures underlying the position shall meet all the following requirements:
- (b) the position is in the most senior tranche or tranches of the securitisation and possesses the highest level of seniority at all times during the ongoing life of the transaction. For these purposes, a tranche shall be deemed to be the most senior where after the delivery of

Meets Criteria? YES



an enforcement notice and where applicable an acceleration notice, the tranche is not subordinated to other tranches of the same securitisation transaction or scheme in respect of receiving principal and interest payments, without taking into account amounts due under interest rate or currency derivative contracts, fees or other similar payments in accordance with Article 242(6) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013;

#### **PCS Comments**

See Prospectus, Additional information, 3.4.7 The order of priority of payments made by the issuer to the holders of the class of securities in question

- 3.4.7.2.2. Pre-Enforcement Principal Priority of Payments
- 3.4.7.3. Post-Enforcement Priority of Payments

PCS confirms that the senior tranche meets the required attributes, based on a review of the Prospectus.

#### 3 LCR Criteria

- (g) the securitisation position is backed by a pool of underlying exposures and those underlying exposures either all belong to only one of the following subcategories or else they consist of a combination of residential loans referred to in point (i) and residential loans referred to in point (ii):
- (i) residential loans secured with a first-ranking mortgage granted to individuals for the acquisition of their main residence, provided that one of the two following conditions is met:
- the loans in the pool meet on average the loan-to-value requirement laid down in point (i) of Article 129(1)(d) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013;
- the national law of the Member State where the loans were originated provides for a loan-to-income limit on the amount that an obligor may borrow in a residential loan, and that Member State has notified this law to the Commission and EBA. The loan-to-income limit is calculated on the gross annual income of the obligor, taking into account the tax obligations and other commitments of the obligor and the risk of changes in the interest rates over the term of the loan. For each residential loan in the pool, the percentage of the obligor's gross income that may be spent to service the loan, including interest, principal and fee payments, does not exceed 45 %;
- (ii) fully guaranteed residential loans referred to in Article 129(1)(e) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013, provided that the loans meet the collateralisation requirements laid down in that paragraph and the average loan-to-value requirement laid down in point (i) of Article 129(1)(d) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013
- (iii) commercial loans, leases and credit facilities to undertakings established in a Member State to finance capital expenditures or business operations other than the acquisition or development of commercial real estate, provided that at least 80 % of the borrowers in the pool in terms of portfolio balance are small and medium- sized enterprises at the time of issuance of the securitisation, and none of the borrowers is an institution as defined in Article 4(1)(3) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013;
- (iv) auto loans and leases to borrowers or lessees established or resident in a Member State. For these purposes, auto loans and leases shall include loans or leases for the financing of motor vehicles or trailers as defined in points (11) and (12) of Article 3 of Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, agricultural or forestry tractors as referred to in Regulation (EU) No 167/2013 of

Meets Criteria?
YES



the European Parliament and of the Council, two-wheel motorcycles or powered tricycles as referred to in Regulation (EU) No 168/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council or tracked vehicles as referred to in point (c) of Article 2(2) of Directive 2007/46/EC. () Such loans or leases may include ancillary insurance and service products or additional vehicle parts, and in the case of leases, the residual value of leased vehicles. All loans and leases in the pool shall be secured with a first-ranking charge or security over the vehicle or an appropriate guarantee in favour of the SSPE, such as a retention of title provision;

(v) loans and credit facilities to individuals resident in a Member State for personal, family or household consumption purposes.

#### **PCS Comments**

# (g)(v) only applies.

See Prospectus, description of 2.2. Assets backing the Issue

The two products, the Point of Sale Loan and the PIL Loan are only extended to individuals. The Point of Sale Loans are extended "for the purposes of financing the purchase by the relevant Obligor of a specific product or service from a supplier." The PIL Loan are "consumer loans originated by the Transferor for the purposes of financing general needs of the relevant Obligor (but not linked to a specific product or service)".

#### LCR Criteria

10. The underlying exposures shall not have been originated by the credit institution holding the securitisation position in its liquidity buffer, its subsidiary, its parent undertaking, a subsidiary of its parent undertaking or any other undertaking closely linked with that credit institution.

Meets Criteria?

YES

#### **PCS Comments**

The investor should confirm that it is not a group entity of the Originator to meet this point. We have ticked this point positive but ultimately it is the investors responsibility to confirm.

## LCR Criteria

11. The issue size of the tranche shall be at least EUR 100 million (or the equivalent amount in domestic currency).

**Meets Criteria?** 

YES

#### **PCS Comments**

The Prospectus confirms that the Class A notes are €204,000,000 in size.

# 6 LCR Criteria

12. The remaining weighted average life of the tranche shall be 5 years or less, which shall be calculated using the lower of either the transaction's pricing prepayment assumption or a 20 % constant prepayment rate, for which the credit institution shall assume that the call is exercised on the first permitted call date.

Meets Criteria?

**YES** 

#### **PCS Comments**

See 4.10 Indication of investor yield and calculation method



WEIGHTED AVERAGE LIFE OF THE NOTES, Tables

Estimated Weighted Average Life of the Rated Notes with and without exercise of the Clean-up Call, using different prepayment scenarios.

PCS notes that he weighted average life of Class A Notes is below five years in all scenarios according to the information in the final prospectus.

7 LCR Criteria

13. The originator of the exposures underlying the securitisation shall be an institution as defined in Article 4(3) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 or an undertaking whose principal activity is to pursue one or more of the activities listed in points 2 to 12 and point 15 of Annex I to Directive 2013/36/EU.

Meets Criteria?
YES

#### **PCS Comments**

See Prospectus, 3.1.2 Pepper Finance Corporation, S.L.U. ("Pepper Spain" or the "Seller")

In its capacity as Originator, the Seller undertakes and agrees (for the purposes of the Retention Requirements):

(h) represents that its principal activity is to pursue the activity listed in item (2) of Annex I to Directive 2013/36/EU (granting of consumer credits).

PCS notes that in this case, article 13(13) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/61 works through the second phrase: "or an undertaking whose principal activity is to pursue one or more of the activities listed in points 2 to 12 and point 15 of Annex I to Directive 2013/36/EU".

8 LCR Criteria

Article 37 Transitional provision for securitisations backed by residential loans

- 1. By derogation from Article 13, securitisations issued before 1 October 2015, where the underlying exposures are residential loans as referred to in point (g)(i) of Article 13(2), shall qualify as Level 2B assets if they meet all the requirements set out in Article 13 other than the loan-to-value or loan-to-income requirements set out in that point (g)(i) of Article 13(2).
- 2. By derogation from Article 13, securitisations issued after 1 October 2015, where the underlying exposures are residential loans as referred to in point (g)(i) of Article 13(2) that do not meet the average loan-to-value or the loan-to-income requirements set out in that point, shall qualify as Level 2B assets until 1 October 2025, provided that the underlying exposures include residential loans that were not subject to a national law regulating loan-to-income limits at the time they were granted and such residential loans were granted at any time prior to 1 October 2015.

Meets Criteria?
YES

## **PCS Comments**

Points 1 and 2 are not applicable.

