Provisional CRR ASSESSMENT SMALL BUSINESS ORIGINATION LOAN TRUST 2025-1 DAC



PRIME COLLATERALISED SECURITIES (PCS) UK LIMITED

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Individual(s) undertaking the assessment	Mark Lewis
Date of Verification	14 April 2025
The transaction to be verified (the "Transaction")	SMALL BUSINESS ORIGINATION LOAN TRUST 2025-1 DAC
Issuer	SMALL BUSINESS ORIGINATION LOAN TRUST 2025-1 DAC
Originator (for STS purposes) / Risk retention counterparty	Funding Circle Ltd / Waterfall Eden Master Fund Ltd.
Sole Arranger / Joint-Lead Manager	BNP Paribas / BNP Paribas and CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS LIMITED
Transaction Legal Counsel	Hogan Lovells International LLP and Latham & Watkins (London) LLP
Rating Agencies	DBRS and Fitch
Stock Exchange	Euronext Dublin (B and C Notes), Vienna MTF (Z and R Notes)
Closing Date	[tbc] 2025

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

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



Legislative Text

Article 243 (1)

2. Positions in a securitisation, other than an ABCP programme or ABCP transaction, that qualify as positions in an STS securitisation, shall be eligible for the treatment set out in Articles 260, 262 and 264 where the following requirements are met:

1a CRR Criteria

(a) at the time of inclusion in the securitisation, the aggregate exposure value of all exposures to a single obligor in the pool does not exceed 2 % of the exposure values of the aggregate outstanding exposure values of the pool of underlying exposures. For the purposes of this calculation, loans or leases to a group of connected clients shall be considered as exposures to a single obligor.

Meets Criteria?
YES

PCS Comments

A Statement in the prospectus – "verification of data" - confirms that no single obligor in pool exceeds 2% of the exposure values of the aggregate outstanding exposure values of the pool of underlying exposures

"(a) the aggregate net present value of the largest Funding Circle Borrower in the Loan Portfolio does not exceed 2% of the aggregate net present value of all Purchased Loan Receivables; and"

1b CRR Criteria

In the case of securitised residual leasing values, the first subparagraph of this point shall not apply where those values are not exposed to refinancing or resell risk due to a legally enforceable commitment to repurchase or refinance the exposure at a pre-determined amount by a third party eligible under Article 201(1);

Meets Criteria? YES

PCS Comments

Not applicable.



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¹ REGULATION (EU) 2017/2401 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 12 December 2017 amending Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms.

2	CRR Criteria (b) at the time of their inclusion in the securitisation, the underlying exposures meet the conditions for being assigned, under the Standardised Approach and taking into account any eligible credit risk mitigation, a risk weight equal to or smaller than: (i) 40 % on an exposure value-weighted average basis for the portfolio where the exposures are loans secured by residential mortgages or fully guaranteed residential loans, as referred to in point (e) of Article 129(1); (ii) 50 % on an individual exposure basis where the exposure is a loan secured by a commercial mortgage; (iii) 75 % on an individual exposure basis where the exposure is a retail exposure (²); (iv) for any other exposures, 100 % on an individual exposure basis;	<u>Meets Criteria?</u> YES
	PCS Comments	
	"other exposures" applies.	
	See prospectus "verification of data"	
	"(b) the Purchased Loan Receivables meet the conditions for being assigned a risk weight equal to or smaller than 100% under the Standardis individual Loan Receivable basis"	ed Approach on an
3	CRR Criteria (c) where points (b)(i) and (b)(ii) apply, the loans secured by lower ranking security rights on a given asset shall only be included in the securitisation where all loans secured by prior ranking security rights on that asset are also included in the securitisation;	Meets Criteria? YES
	PCS Comments Not applicable.	
4	CRR Criteria (d) where point (b)(i) of this paragraph applies, no loan in the pool of underlying exposures shall have a loan-to-value ratio higher than 100%, at the time of inclusion in the securitisation, measured in accordance with point (d)(i) of Article 129(1) and Article 229(1).	Meets Criteria? YES
	PCS Comments	

² See article 123, "Retail exposures" of the Regulation (EU) No 575/2013; for Consumer loans see the amendments to article 123 in (59) REGULATION (EU) 2019/876 and REGULATION (EU) 2020/873, article 2 (1) (a). See article 501 on "Adjustment of risk-weighted non-defaulted SME exposures for "SME Loans" of the Regulation (EU) No 575/2013, as amended in Regulation (EU) 2019/876 and Regulation 2020/873 in (19) and Article 2.1(b).



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Not applicable.



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