

Panamá, 27 de marzo de 2007

Licenciado Manuel Brea Bolsa de Valores de Panamá, S.A. Ciudad.-

Re: Hecho Relevante - Octavo Fideicomiso de Bonos de Préstamos Hipotecarios - serie A

Estimada Licenciado Navarro:

Como fiduciarios del Octavo Fideicomiso de Bonos de Préstamos Hipotecarios es nuestro placer informarles que la serie A de la emisión antes mencionada ha sido calificada con Grado de Inversión por las tres agencias calificadoras mencionadas a continuación:

Standard & Poor's - BBB
 Moody's Investors Service - Baa2
 Fitch Ratings - BBB

Anexo a esta carta encontrarán copias de las cartas de calificación originales. Sin más por ahora, se despide de usted,

Cordialmente,

John D. Rauschkolb Gerente General

La Hipotecaria, S.A.

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March 26, 2007

La Hipotecaria, Inc.
Vía España, Plaza Regency, Piso #4,
Panamá, República de Panamá
Apdo postal: 0823-04422 Zona7

Re: U.S. \$ 76,050,000 Series A notes issued by La Hipotecaria Eight Mortgage Backed Notes Trust

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter confirms that Fitch has assigned a final rating of 'BBB' to La Hipotecaria Eight Mortgage Backed Notes Trust Series A notes.

Fitch's rating addresses the likelihood of timely payment of interest and ultimate payment of principal by the final scheduled distribution payment date for the senior notes. The rating on the Series A Notes is based on the initial level of subordination provided by the series B notes, which is equal to 15.5% of the collateral balance, and the excess spread. The Notes also benefit from the letter of credit (LOC) provided by Citibank Panama to cover three months of interest payments and the performance bond provided by ASSA Compania de Seguros S.A. (ASSA) and Banco Continental de Panama S.A. to protect against retitling risk. In addition, the Series A Notes will benefit from the expected recovery in the event of a homeowner default through the legal foreclosure.

The collateral consists of 3,489 mortgage loans originated by La Hipotecaria. Most of the loans (79.29%) have a subsidy under the preferential interest rate regime. On a weighted-average (WA) basis, the portfolio has an original loan to value (LTV) of 92.19% and a current LTV of 90.17%. All the loans are floating rate, and the portfolio is predominantly exposed to Panama City.

Ratings assigned by Fitch Ratings are based on the documents and information provided to us by the issuer and the issuer's experts and agents, and are subject to receipt of final closing documentation. Fitch Ratings does not audit or verify the truth or accuracy of such information. The assignment of a rating by Fitch Ratings shall not constitute consent by Fitch Ratings to use its name as an expert in connection with any registration statement or other filing under U.S., British or any other relevant securities laws.

Ratings are not a recommendation to buy, sell, or hold any security. They do not comment on the adequacy of market price, the suitability for a particular investor, or the tax-exempt nature or taxability of payments made in respect of any security.

It is important that you provide us with all information that may be material to the rating so that our ratings continue to be accurate. Ratings may be changed, withdrawn, suspended or placed on Rating Watch due to changes in, additions to, or the inadequacy of information. We are pleased to have had the opportunity to be of service to you. If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at (312) 368-2052.

Kind regards.

William T. Hayer

Managing Director

Fitch Ratings



Moody's Investors Service

99 Church Street New York, New York, 10007

March 27, 2007

Ms. Cassie Lau
XL Capital Assurance Inc.
1221 Avenue of the Americas, 31st Floor
New York, New York 10020

Re:

Home Loan Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-1 Home Equity Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-1

Dear Ms. Lau-

Moody's Investors Service has reviewed the documentation submitted to us in connection with the above referenced transaction. I am pleased to inform you that Moody's has assigned a shadow rating of Baa2 to the US\$73,050,000 Series 2007-1 Grantor Trust certificates issued in the United States of America by La Hipotecaria Panamanian Mortgage Trust Series 2007-1. This rating is based primarily on the credit quality of the loans backing the transaction, as well as the internal credit support provided by excess spread and subordination.

This is a private letter only to be used by XL Capital Assurance Inc. (XL Capital) and its affiliates for internal purposes. It may be shown to parties to XL Capital's outside legal counsel or accounting firm, or to official regulatory bodies, in support of internal purposes. This letter is not for public dissemination. This letter is a statement of opinion and not a statement of fact or a recommendation to purchase, sell, or hold any securities.

This shadow rating will not be published by Moody's. However, it will be monitored by Moody's. The rating is subject to receipt of executed documents and relevant legal opinions, in form satisfactory to Moody's, within 30 days of the date of this letter. The rating so assigned will expire at the respective final distribution date of the certificates, or any earlier termination of the certificates. There is no assurance that the rating will remain in effect for any given period of time, or that the rating will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely, if, in Moody's judgment, circumstances in the future warrant.

Thank you for using Moody's Investors Service.

Sincerely,

Carlos A. Mayıní

Vice President - Senior Credit Officer

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Attention: John Rauschkolb Executive Vice President and CEO

Re: The Eighth Mortgage-Backed Notes Trust US\$76,050,000 Series A Notes

Dear Mr. Rauschkolb:

Pursuant to your request for a Standard & Poor's rating on the above-referenced obligations, we have reviewed the information submitted to us and, subject to the enclosed *Terms and Conditions*, have assigned a rating of "BBB" to the Series A notes.

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This letter constitutes Standard & Poor's permission to you to disseminate the above-assigned rating to interested parties. Standard & Poor's reserves the right to inform its own clients, subscribers, and the public of the rating.

Standard & Poor's relies on you, the issuer and your counsels, accountants and other experts for the accuracy and completeness of the information submitted in connection with the rating. This rating is based on financial information and documents we received prior to the issuance of this letter. Standard & Poor's assumes that the documents you have provided to us are final. If any subsequent changes were made in the final documents, you must notify us of such changes by

sending us the revised final documents with the changes clearly marked. In addition, you agree to provide us with a complete and executed hardcopy set of conforming legal documentation within ninety (90) days of the closing date. You also agree to provide us with the final documents in electronic form.

To maintain the rating, Standard & Poor's must receive all relevant financial information including all reports submitted to the trustee as soon as such information is available. Placing us on a distribution list for this information would facilitate the process. You must promptly notify us of all material changes in the financial information and the documents over the term of the issue. Standard & Poor's may change, suspend, withdraw, or place on CreditWatch the rating as a result of changes in, or unavailability of, such information. Standard & Poor's reserves the right to request additional information, if necessary, to maintain the rating.

Please send all information via electronic delivery to:

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<u>Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement shall be binding on, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their successors and assigns.

Severability. In the event that any term or provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, then the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected, impaired, or invalidated, and each such term and provision shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

<u>Complete Agreement</u>. This Agreement constitutes the complete agreement between the parties with respect to its subject matter. This Agreement may not be modified except in a writing signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

Governing Law. This Agreement and the rating letter shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of New York. The parties agree that the state and federal courts of New York shall be the exclusive forums for any dispute arising out of this Agreement and the parties hereby consent to the personal jurisdiction of such courts.