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PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk

Credit Rating(s)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{General Obligation (GO)} & \mbox{$_{id}$A+/Stable} \\ \mbox{SR Bond II} & \mbox{$_{id}$A+} \\ \mbox{SR Bond III} & \mbox{$_{id}$A+} \\ \mbox{SR Bond IV} & \mbox{$_{id}$A+} \end{array}$

Rating Period

September 12, 2023 - September 1, 2024

Published Rating History

SEP 2022	_{id} A+/Stable
AUG 2022	_{id} A+/Stable
DEC 2021	_{id} A/Stable
JAN 2021	_{id} A/Stable
OCT 2020	_{id} A/Stable

PEFINDO has affirmed its idA+ ratings to PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk (MDKA) and its Shelf-Registered Bond II, Shelf-Registered Bond III, and Shelf-Registered Bond IV. Outlook for the corporate rating is stable. The corporate rating reflects MDKA's vertically integrated operations, well diversify business, and sizeable reserves and resources. The rating is constrained by its moderate financial policy and capital structure and exposure to fluctuating commodity prices.

The rating may be raised if MDKA successfully operates its new projects and generates higher revenue or EBITDA than projected which will positively impact its financial figures and further improve its capital structure ratios. The rating may be lowered if MDKA generates lower revenue or profit margins than projected due to underperformed new projects and aggressively finances its capital expenditure with substantial debt without compensated by a higher revenue or EBITDA, which may trigger a more aggressive capital structure. A significant deterioration of the commodity prices, particularly gold, copper, and nickel may also trigger a rating downgrade, as this will adversely affect its financial profile.

MDKA was established in 2012 and is engaged in mining activities. It has several projects located in Tujuh Bukit at Banyuwangi and Pani at Gorontalo for gold mining, Wetar Island, Maluku, for copper mining, Konawe at Southeast Sulawesi for nickel mining, and Acid Iron Metal (AIM) project, RKEF smelters, and nickel matte smelter at Indonesia Morowali Industrial Park, Central Sulawesi. As of June 30, 2023, its shareholders consisted of PT Saratoga Investama Sedaya Tbk (18.569%), PT Mitra Daya Mustika (12.058%), Garibaldi Thohir (7.358%), PT Suwarna Arta Mandiri (5.588%), ISV SA Hongkong Brunp & CATL Co., Limited (5.000%), and others, including the public and MDKA's treasury shares (51.427%).

Rating Definition

Debt security rated idA indicates that the issuer's capacity to meet its long-term financial commitments on the debt security, relative to other Indonesian issuers, is strong. However, the issuer's capacity is somewhat more susceptible to adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than higher-rated issuers. The plus (+) sign indicates that the rating is relatively strong within its category.

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Financial Highlights

As of/for the year ended	Mar-2023	Dec-2022	Dec-2021	Dec-2020
	(Limited Review)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)
Total adjusted assets [USD mn]	3,684.3	3,551.7	1,278.6	929.6
Total adjusted debt [USD mn]	1,480.9	1,434.0	377.8	269.2
Total adjusted equity [USD mn]	1,720.0	1,699.9	779.4	563.6
Total sales [USD mn]	214.2	869.9	381.0	321.9
EBITDA [USD mn]	46.6	247.9	213.5	151.8
Net income after MI [USD mn]	3.1	58.4	36.1	36.2
EBITDA margin [%]	21.7	28.5	56.0	47.2
Adjusted debt/EBITDA [X]	*8.0	5.8	1.8	1.8
Adjusted debt/adjusted equity [X]	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.5
FFO/adjusted debt [%]	*6.2	11.1	47.1	36.3
EBITDA/IFCCI [X]	1.9	4.7	11.7	6.6
USD exchange rate [IDR/USD]	15,062	15,731	14,278	14,105

FFO = EBITDA - IFCCI + Interest Income - Current Tax Expense

EBITDA = Operating Profit + Depreciation Expense + Amortization Expense

IFCCI = Gross Interest Expense + Other Financial Charges + Capitalized Interest; (FX Loss not included)

MI= Minority Interest *annualized

The above ratios have been computed based on information from the company and published accounts. Where applicable, some items have been reclassified according to PEFINDO's definitions.

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