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### **Announcement: Moody's: No rating impact on bonds issued under the PHEAA (1997 indenture) as a result of sale and release of loans**

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New York, July 12, 2013 -- Moody's announced today that the sale and release of approximately \$38 million loans from the lien of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency ("PHEAA") (1997 Indenture) would not, in and of itself and as of this time, result in the downgrade or withdrawal of the outstanding ratings assigned to bonds issued from the PHEAA (1997 Indenture).

Moody's believes that the sale and release of loans will not have an adverse effect on the credit quality of the rated securities such that the Moody's ratings were impacted. However, Moody's opinion addresses only the credit impact associated with the proposed amendment, and Moody's is not expressing any opinion as to whether the amendment has, or could have, other non-credit related effects that may have a detrimental impact on the interests of holders of rated obligations and/or counterparties.

The last rating action for PHEAA (1997 Indenture) was taken on October 1, 2012.

The principal methodology used in this rating was "Moody's Approach to Rating Securities Backed by FFELP Student Loans" published in April, 2012. Please see the Credit Policy page on [www.moody's.com](http://www.moody's.com) for a copy of this methodology.

Moody's will continue monitoring the ratings. Any change in the ratings will be publicly disseminated by Moody's through appropriate media.

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