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Banksia Mortgages Ltd. 'ABOVE AVERAGE' Commercial Loan Servicer Ranking Affirmed; Outlook Remains Stable

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MELBOURNE (Standard & Poor's) May 21, 2009--Standard & Poor's Ratings Services today affirmed the 'ABOVE AVERAGE' commercial loan servicer ranking assigned to Banksia Mortgages Ltd. (Banksia). The outlook remains 'Stable', and Banksia remains on Standard & Poor's global select servicer list.

The affirmation is based on the company's stable industry-experienced management team, low annual staff turnover, use of technology to support risk management and quality assurance processes, and comprehensive loan-servicing standards. "We expect the company should continue to demonstrate a high ability and efficiency in managing and servicing its asset portfolio," said Standard & Poor's credit analyst Damien Banky.

The 'Stable' outlook on Banksia's servicer ranking reflects our expectation that the company will continue to operate in an effectively controlled and stable servicing environment. The company's operations are managed by an industry-experienced management team, with clearly defined business strategies that respond to current market conditions. Banksia management expects to continue to focus on meeting high-quality loan-servicing standards by implementing conservative lending policies and prudent underwriting standards.

A copy of Standard & Poor's servicer evaluation report for Banksia is available on RatingsDirect, Standard & Poor's Web-based credit analysis system, at www.ratingsdirect.com.

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