Summary: KT Corp. Aug 08

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The rating on Korea-based KT Corp. (KT; A-/Positive/--) reflects the company’s dominant and stable position in the Korean telecommunications market, strong operating cash flow generation, and solid financial risk profile. At the same time, the rating takes into account the company’s declining revenue from fixed-line telephony services, the saturated Korean telecommunications market, and the company’s large capital investment requirements. Formerly government-owned, KT is the incumbent fixed-line operator in Korea, with a 90.4% share of the fixed-line voice services market as of December 2007. Leveraging its dominant market position in Korea’s telecommunications industry, backed by its good brand image and superior network coverage, KT has achieved a leading position in the broadband sector with a 44.3% market share. KT Freetel Co....

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