Summary: Komatsu Ltd. May 14

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World's second-largest construction and mining machinery manufacturer, backed by a strong ability to develop high-value-added products and strong positions in major global markets. Diversified earnings sources--supported by global-scale production, distribution, and sales frameworks--and growing demand in emerging markets. Enhanced product lineup and increasing resilience to changes in its operating environment. Volatile earnings due to economic cycles, greater competition, and fluctuating currency exchange rates. Solid cash flow generation despite a fair amount of volatility of profitability. Low leverage (debt adjusted for captive finance, lease debt, pension liabilities, and surplus cash). Our selection of an initial outcome of 'a' from 'a+/a' reflects our view that our assessments of Komatsu's business and financial risk profiles are at the lower end of their respective...

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