Summary: Carson City, Nevada Carson Tahoe Regional Medical Center; Hospital Nov 09

Description: Standard & Poor's Ratings Services affirmed its 'BBB' long-term and underlying rating (SPUR) on Carson City, Nev.'s series 2002 and 2003A bonds, issued on behalf of Carson Tahoe Regional Medical Center (CTRMC). The outlook is stable. The 'BBB' rating reflects CTRMC's solid business position in the primary service area, improved operations through Sept. 30, 2009, an adequate balance sheet, and a low average age of plant. Offsetting credit factors include somewhat inconsistent operating results, weak maximum annual debt service (MADS) coverage, and a high debt burden. CTRMC's solid business position is largely due to its designation as a sole community provider and its 71% share in its primary market. The nearest competition for acute-care services is about 30 miles away...

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Action: Affirmed
Action: Outlook: Stable

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