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Asia-Pacific Nonsovereign Issuers Are Exposed To China-Related Risks To Varying Degrees, Says S&P Report

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MELBOURNE (Standard & Poor's) Oct. 29, 2015--China's slowdown has partly spiked risks of lower commodity prices, currency volatility, and reduced business confidence. That's according to Standard & Poor's Ratings Services in a report published today, "Inside Credit: China, Commodity, Confidence, And Currency Crunch Will Rattle Asia-Pacific Countries To Different Degrees".

"We believe nonsovereign issuers in Asia-Pacific will be hit to varying degrees if these risks were to further eventuate," said Standard & Poor's credit analyst Terry Chan. "The relative degree of the impact can be categorized based on four groups of countries where these issuers are located."

Apart from those in China, nonsovereign issuers in Hong Kong, Korea, and Taiwan are likely to feel the greatest impact of China's slowdown, commodity price falls, currency volatility, and dampened business confidence, in our view. Meanwhile, issuers in Japan and in commodity-exporting countries Australia, Indonesia, and New Zealand, could see a medium impact. Issuers in

Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam are likely to feel less impact than the previous two groups, while those facing the least impact would be issuers in India and the Philippines.

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