# 2011 Aircraft Sector Understanding – Overview and Summary



# **Topics Covered**

- 2011 ASU in Perspective
- 2011 Pricing and other Terms and Conditions
- Transition Rules
  - Grandfathering (2007 ASU)
  - Great-grandfathering (LASU)
- Periodic Fee Adjustment Complexity and Volatility
- Risk Assessment System
- Review
- Back up information and data

# **Background to 2011 ASU**

- Pre-2007
- Large aircraft export credit regulated by OECD rules set out in an annex to the original ASU (LASU). Low pricing, promoting exports – maintaining a manufacturer level playing. Low perceived risk
- Regional aircraft regulated by WTO framework, as Brazil was not ASU party
- No perceived competition between large / regional aircraft; limited concern about the relationship between export credit pricing and commercial markets
- 2007 ASU
- Brazil enters OECD system. Bifurcated system (Cat 1 v. Cat 2/3 aircraft).
   Increased pricing, and tighter terms, reflecting emerging concerns about relationship with commercial markets
- Post 2007 (Reasons for Review Leading to 2011 ASU)
- Bombardier CSeries bifurcated system untenable
- Financial crisis: increased use of export credit; large pricing difference w/ markets
- Expressed concerns of home market airlines (airline level playing field)
- 2011 ASU effective 1 February 2011

# **Evolution of Export Credit Rules**

## Pre-2007 -- 2007 ASU -- 2011 ASU

Pre-2007 (July)	2007 ASU	2011 ASU
<ul> <li>LASU among U.S., U.K., Germany, France, Spain (Boeing, Airbus)</li> <li>WTO framework between Brazil and Canada (Embraer, Bombardier)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Added Brazil and become relevant for Canada and Japan</li> <li>Embraer, Bombardier, MJET, ATR operating under in OECD framework</li> </ul>	Single set of rules apply all countries to OECD countries plus Brazil
<ul> <li>3% fee (discretionary increases for weaker credits) (LASU)</li> <li>Market pricing (non-LASU)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increased premium based on risk classification (4.0% - 7.5%)(Cat 1)</li> <li>Spread 16 – 249 bps (Cat 2)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Further increased premium based on risk classification plus market adjustments (initial 7.72% - 14.74%; 137 – 257 bps). Complex w/ volatility</li> </ul>
No universal risk classification process (LASU)	<ul> <li>Bifurcated system, including pricing</li> <li>Cat 1 - Large aircraft – 5         classes, 12 yr term</li> <li>Cat 2 - Other aircraft – 15         classes (includes 737-600,         A318), 15 yr term</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Single system, including one risk classification process for all borrowers</li> <li>8 risk classes</li> <li>12 yr term</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Discretionary structural flexibility – wraps, soars allowed (LASU)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mandatory structural risk mitigants for Cat 1 but not Cat 2; no wraps, soars for either</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increased mandatory structural risk mitigants required; no wraps, soars</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Only Ex-Im bank provided discount for Cape Town (1/3)(LASU)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Variable max. CT discounts, Cat 1 (5- 20%); 10% (often deemed) for Cat 2</li> </ul>	10% max discount for Cape Town
<ul> <li>Home market rule observed (LASU)</li> <li>Brazil and Canada did not recognise home market rule</li> </ul>	Same as Pre-2007	Same as 2007, unless C-series competition (matching contemplated)
	Long transition	Shorter but significant transition

## 2011 ASU Results

- Maintains manufacturer level playing field assuming domestic matching, where needed, which is up to the relevant government (not an ASU point)
- Adjusts the relationship, by minimizing competition, between export credit agency and commercial market financing (by substantially raising fees and tightening terms (including lower advance rates in most cases))
- In consequence: seeks to address airline level playing field, without prejudice to home market practices
- Provides reasonable transition period to new agreement, easing impact on airline customers and honoring some existing "grandfathered" and "great grandfathered" transactions
- Incentives maintained and leveled for ratifying Cape Town Treaty (depending on borrower risk classification, value between .72% and 1.47%)
- Continues to provides review clause to address issues and make adjustments as necessary
- Complex system with the potential for significant volatility

# **Risk Assessment System**

ASU Risk Category	Risk Ratings	
1	AAA to BBB-	
2	BB+ to BB	
3	BB-	
4	B+	
5	В	
6	B-	
7	ccc	
8	CC to C	

- Determined by ECAs
- All airlines on one common ratings list
- Consensus sought for each rating required
- Process for addressing rating disagreements (see below)

# Overview: ASU 2011 and ASU 2007 Comparison

	ASU 2007 Bifurcated System		ASU 2011 Single System	
	Cat. 1	Cat. 2/3	All Aircraft	
Risk Categories	5	15	8	
Pricing in Terms of Spread or Fee	Upfront Fee	Annual Spread	Annual Spread and Equivalent Upfront Fee; NPV-based Conversion Model	
Payments	Quarterly	Semi-annual	Quarterly (Option for semi-annual with 15% surcharge on MPR with prior notification)	
Maximum Official Support	85%	85%	80% for BBB- up 85% for BB+ to C	
Maximum Term	12 years	15 years for Cat 2 10 years for Cat 3	12 years (15 year option with 35% surcharge on MPR on an exceptional basis and with prior notification)	
Risk Mitigants (RM)	0 for BB and up 1 for BB- to B+, 2 for B to B-, 3 for CCC to C	No RMs	Two types of RM: A and B 0 for BB and up 1 (1 A) for BB- 2 (1 A + 1 B) for B and B+ 3 (2 A + 1 B) for B- 4 (3 A + 1 B) for CCC to C (Option to replace one A risk mitigant with 15% surcharge on MRP with prior notification)	
Cape Town Convention Discount	Differentiated maximum: 5% for BBB- up 10% for BB+ to B+ 15% for B to B- 20% for CCC to C	Flat 10% maximum for all borrowers	Flat 10% maximum reduction in MPR for all borrowers	
Minimum Direct Lending Interest Rates	Standard form pure cover. Direct lending only in exceptional circumstances with prior notification; CIRR-1	Choice of CIRR-2 or swap rates	Market interest rate (7 year swap for 12 year fixed, 6 year swap for 10 year fixed, LIBOR for floating) + Margin Benchmark (based on commercially funded pure cover transactions) (CIRR only for aircraft less than USD 35 million with prior notification)	
Minimum Premium Rates ( <b>MPR</b> )	Pure cover upfront fees fixed	Direct lending annual spreads updated annually (based on historical 1st lien bank loan LGDs)	MPR = Risk Based Rates (RBR) updated annually (based on historical 1st lien bank loan LGDs) + Market Reflective Surcharges (MRS) updated quarterly based on corporate bond market Median Credit Spreads (MCS)	

## **ASU Nominal Fee Schedule\***

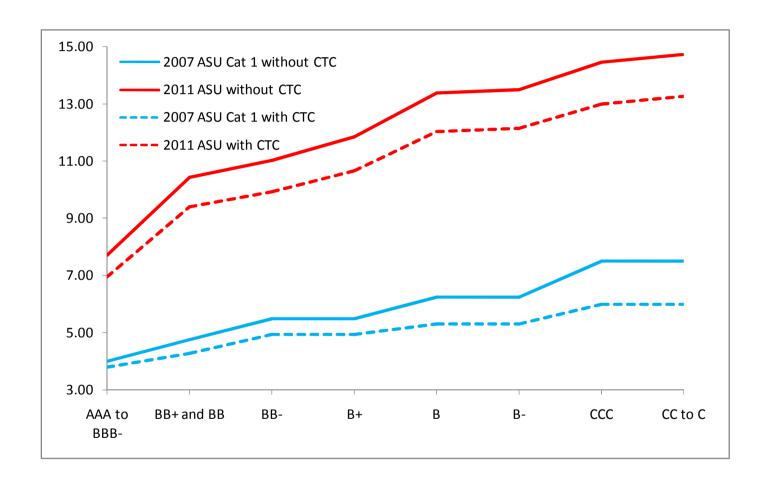
#### Comparison of 2011 Single System to 2007 Category 1 MPR (Upfront Fees)

		MPR, non-CTC		MPR, CTC			
Risk Category	Risk Classification	2007 ASU C1 Upfront, %	2011 ASU C1 Upfront, %	MPR Increase	2007 ASU C1 Upfront, %	2011 ASU C1 Upfront, %	MPR Increase
1	AAA to BBB-	4.00	7.72	93%	3.80	6.95	83%
2	BB+ to BB	4.75	10.44	120%	4.28	9.40	120%
3	BB-	5.50	11.03	101%	4.95	9.93	101%
4	B+	5.50	11.85	115%	4.95	10.67	115%
5	В	6.25	13.38	114%	5.31	12.04	127%
6	B-	6.25	13.50	116%	5.31	12.15	129%
7	ccc	7.50	14.45	93%	6.00	13.01	117%
8	CC to C	7.50	14.74	97%	6.00	13.27	121%
			Average:	106%		Average:	114%

<sup>\*</sup>This comparison of nominal upfront fees does not take into account differences in terms and conditions under 2007 ASU Category 1 and 2011 ASU (in particular differences in risk mitigants in 2007 ASU Category 1 and 2011 ASU). Furthermore, this document does not provide any comparison of 2011 ASU annual spreads and 2007 ASU Category 2 and Category 3 annual spreads due to significant differences in terms and conditions (in particular, addition of up to 4 risk mitigants in 2011 ASU vs. no risk mitigants in 2007 ASU Category 2 and 3). A meaningful comparison would require taking into account these differences.

## **ASU Nominal Fee Schedule\***

## Comparison of 2011 Single System to 2007 Category 1 MPR (Upfront Fees)



<sup>\*</sup>Does not take into account differences in terms and conditions under 2007 ASU for Category 1 and 2011 ASU Single System.

# **Risk Mitigants and Related Items**

2007 ASU (Cat 1)	2011 ASU
<ul> <li>None for BB and up</li> <li>1 for BB- to B+</li> <li>2 for B to B-</li> <li>3 for CCC to C</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>None for BB and up (NB: 80% max credit for BBB- and up)</li> <li>1 (A) for BB-</li> <li>2 (1-A and 1-B) for B and B+</li> <li>3 (2-A and 1-B) for B-</li> <li>4 (3-A and 1-B) for CCC to C</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Mandatory risk mitigants</li> <li>Each 5% reduction from the permitted 85% advance rate of net price</li> <li>Equal principal repayments</li> <li>10-year repayment term</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mandatory "A" &amp; "B" risk mitigants</li> <li>"A" risk mitigants         <ul> <li>Each 5% reduction from the permitted 85% advance rate of net price</li> <li>Equal principal repayments</li> <li>10-year repayment term</li> <li>NB: 15% surcharge on exposure fee (one time) may replace one of the above A risk mitigants</li> </ul> </li> <li>"B" risk mitigants</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Security deposit (one quarter of principal and interest payments)</li><li>Lease payments in advance</li><li>Maintenance reserves</li></ul>
<ul> <li>3-month repayment interval</li> <li>No principal payment grace period</li> </ul>	3-month repayment interval     No principal payment grace period
Max 85% of net price advance rate	• 85% of net price advance rate (80% risk cat. 1)
No mandatory cross default / cross collateralization	Mandatory cross default / cross collateralization
Mortgage style amortization schedule	Mortgage style amortization schedule

### **Great-Grandfathered/Grandfathered Transactions**

#### **Great Grandfathered - LASU**

- ASU does not govern great grandfathered transactions, except limiting the minimum fee to 3%
  - Governed by existing LASU
- Great Grandfathered transactions
  - -69 aircraft each for 2007 ASU Category 1 country (represents historical percentage of export credit)
  - -Firm contracts concluded by 30/4/2007
    - •Defined as a binding commitment between manufacturer and customer (including saleleasebacks >= 5 years)
  - -Deliveries **originally scheduled** through 31/12/2010
  - No limitation on delivery date
  - -Minimum 3% Exp Fee
- Commitment fee of 35 basis point per annum accruing from the earlier of (i) final commitment or (ii) 31 March 2011, payable at delivery

#### **Grandfathered – 2007 ASU**

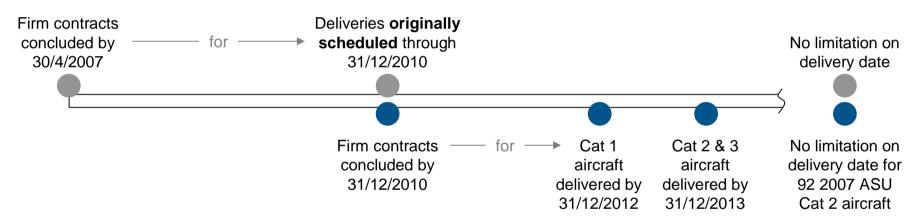
- ASU does not govern grandfathered transactions
   Governed by existing 2007 ASU
- Grandfathered transactions
  - -Firm contracts concluded by 31/12/2010
  - -Deliveries completed by 31/12/2012 for 2007 ASU Category 1 aircraft and 31/12/2013 for 2007 ASU Category 2 and 3 aircraft.
- Commitment fee of 20 basis point per annum accruing from the earlier of (i) final commitment or (ii) 31 January 2011 (2007 ASU Category 1 aircraft)/ 30 June 2011(2007 ASU Category 2 and 3 aircraft)/, payable at delivery

Note – Category 2 countries allowed additional 92 aircraft grandfathered to 2007 ASU agreement with no delivery date limitation for aircraft contracted by 31December 2010 with a 20 basis point per annum commitment fee accruing from the earlier of (i) final commitment or (ii) 30 June 2011, payable at delivery.

# **Great-grandfathered/Grandfathered Timelines**

#### **Great Grandfathered - LASU**

• 69 aircraft each for 2007 ASU Category 1 country



Grandfathered - 2007 ASU

Transition allows time to absorb change

# Periodic Fee Adjustment - Complexity and Volatility

- Risk Based Rates (RBR)
  - Reset annually based on 4 year moving average of annual Moody's Loss Given Default (LGD) for first lien bank loans
  - Reset range from 0% to 32% of RBR (based on year-to-year LGD changes)
  - First reset scheduled for 1st quarter 2012
- Market Reflective Surcharge (MRS)
  - Reset quarterly based on Moody's median credit spreads (MCS)
  - Adjusted MRS become effective on 15 April, 15 July, 15 October, and
     15 January
  - MRS based on 90 day moving average of MCS
  - MRS only applied if positive and exceeds 25 bps
  - Increases to MRS capped at 10% per quarter
- See backup materials indicating complexity and potential for volatility

Complex and potentially volatile system

### **Risk Classification Process**

#### Establishment of the List of Risk Classifications

- Participants to agree on list of risk classifications for buyers/borrowers prior to entry into force of the ASU
  - OECD Secretariat to maintain the list; Available to Participants on confidential basis
  - Rating binding at any stage of the transaction (e.g. campaign and delivery)

#### Updates to the List

- Ad hoc basis for classification change or new buyer/borrower
- No Identification of Participant requesting classification decision
- Parties allowed 10 working days to challenge, otherwise agreed to

#### Resolution of Disagreements

- Challenge to a risk classification provides an additional 10 working days to resolve between interested Participants
- Inability to reach agreement triggers referral to all Participants to resolve within 5 working days
- In the absence of a final agreement, classification will be determined by a Credit Rating Agency and become binding

### Validity Period of Classifications

- 12 month maximum validity period from date recorded in List by Secretariat;
   subject to revision if material change (e.g. new rating by CRA)
- Extension of 18 months possible

#### Buyer/Borrower Risk Classification Request

Indicative risk classification from a CRA at its own expense if not on list;
 classification not binding on Participants

#### **Review Process**

- Review process
  - First scheduled review: 2015
  - Ad hoc reviews may be called by any OECD Participant
  - Upon 3 months written notice
  - Written explanation of reason and objectives
  - Summary of consultations preceding the request

# Backup Slides – Additional Information relating to

the Methodology used for, and Historical Simulations indicative of, Resets and Adjustments under the ASU

# Risk Base Rate (RBR) Adjustment Calculation

 Annual RBR adjustment based on 4 year moving average of Moody's Loss Given Default (LGD)

LGD Mapping			
4-Year Moving Average	LGD Considered		
≥45%	25%		
≥35%<45%	23%		
≥30%<35%	21%		
<30%	19%		

- Adjustment Factor Formula
- <u>LGD Considered</u> = RBR Adjustment Factor 19%
- Example: LGD Considered =21%
   21% = RBR Factor of 1.11
   19%

# **MRS Adjustment Calculation**

- For each risk category, a Market Reflective Surcharge shall be calculated as follows:
  - MRS = B\*[(0.5\*MCS)-RBR]
- MCS is a 90-day moving average of Moody' Median Credit Spreads with an average life of 7 years
- B is a blend coefficient varying from 0.7 to 0.35 according to each risk category as per the table below.

Blend Factors				
Risk Ratings	ASU Risk Category	Blend Factor %		
AAA	1	70%		
AA	1	70%		
Α	1	70%		
BBB+	1	70%		
BBB	1	70%		
BBB-	1	70%		
BB+	2	65%		
BB	2	65%		
BB-	3	50%		
B+	4	45%		
В	5	40%		
В-	6	35%		
CCC	7	35%		
CC	8	35%		
С	8	35%		

# MRS Adjustment Calculation (Continued)

- MCS is a 90-day moving average of Moody's Median Credit Spreads (MCS) with an average life of 7 years.
- Where risk categories include more than one risk rating, the spreads shall be averaged. In risk category 1, the BBB- spread shall be used.
- The MCS spreads shall be discounted by 50% to account for the assetsecurity. The MCS discounted spreads shall then be adjusted by a blend factor ranging from 70% to 35% as per Table 4 below, applied on the difference between the MCS discounted spreads and the RBR. Any negative spreads resulting from the blending shall not be deducted.
- MRS shall be applied only if and when it is positive and exceeds 25 bps.
- The increase in minimum premium rates resulting from the MRS update shall not exceed 10% of the previous quarterly minimum premium rates. The minimum premium rates (which result from adding the risk-based rates and the market reflective surcharge) shall not exceed the risk-based rates by more than 100%.