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"We are pleased with the successful conclusion of both the CCPs and ICPs as it represents the company's fourth and fifth issuances respectively for the month of August," said Cagamas president and chief executive officer Datuk Chung Chee Leong. The company said that despite uncertainty stemming from global growth rate forecasts, evidenced by regional monetary policy easing, both the ICPs and CCPs secured competitive pricing at 15 basis points below the three-month onshore Kuala Lumpur Interbank Offered Rate. "The issuances were fully sub-

scribed by financial institutions which continue to seek short-term high-grade investment assets domestically," added Chung.

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