

# **CMBI Credit Commentary**

# Health and Happiness (BTSDF) New Issue

Health and Happiness [BB+/Stable and Ba2/Neg by S&P/Moody's]

**Issuer:** Health and Happiness (H&H) International Ltd (1112.HK)

Expected Issue Size: USD 400mn

Tenor: 5NC3

**Credit enhancement:** secured by H&H's offshore subsidiaries' shares, including 3 offshore operating companies – Swisse Wellness Pty Ltd (Australia), Swisse China Ltd (HK) and Health and Happiness Hong Kong Ltd (HK). But the security is on second-ranking basis, according to its Intercreditor Agreement with its Syndicated loans

**UOP**: to refinance existing term loan facility (USD 350mn) and RCF (USD 50mn).

## Fair Value for new BTSDF '27 at high 6% to low 7%

We believe the new BTSDF 1/2027 should be traded 1%-1.5% outside the existing BTSDF 5.625%10/24 (PX: 99.8, YTM: 5.6%) in yield term for 2.25-year duration extension. Our FV places the new BTSDF '27 tighter than FOSUNI'27 (YTM: 7.7%, BB/Stable) and HONGQI '24 (YTM: 6.9%, BB-/Stable), taking into account of the scarcity value of this consumptionrelated issuer.

**Company and Business Profile:** Health & Happiness (H&H) was founded in 1999 and sell premium infant milk formula(IMF) in China. It was listed on HK Stock Exchange in 2010 and now has a market capitalization of HKD8.2bn (USD1.1bn). The company is 67% owned by its founder Luo Fei. H&H's revenue mix consists of IMF and Swisse supplements (50%/35% of total current revenue). The pet segments acquisition will contribute 10% of revenue in 2022. We expect H&H's overall gross margin will remain stable at around 64%, as pets segment carries high gross margin of 67% which helps to offset some rising COGS pressure.

**Credit Profile**: H&H's net debt rose to RMB8.2bn by end-21 after its recent acquisition of Zesty Paw, from RMB4.1bn previously. Net Debt/EBITDA also rose to 3.4x in 2021, from its previous low level of 2.0x/2.2x in 2019/2020. After that, Moody's placed H&H's Ba2 rating on negative outlook. Zesty Paw's acquisition was at an expensive valuation of 35x 2020EV/EBITDA. Post-acquisition EBITDA contribution to H&H will be low at around RMB150mn – RMB 200mn per year, vs H&H's annual EBITDA scale of RMB 2.4bn. As such we expect its future deleveraging will be slow and the negative rating outlook will unlikely be resolved in the near-term.

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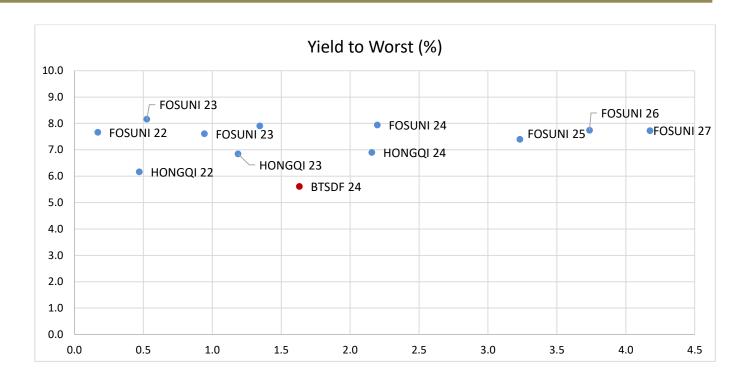
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