

# FITCH RATINGS UPGRADES GCC'S OUTLOOK TO POSITIVE, BBB- RATING REMAINS

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GCC, S.A.B. de C.V. (BMV: GCC\* or "the Company"), a leading producer of cement and concrete in the United States and Mexico, announces that the rating agency Fitch Ratings has affirmed the company's credit rating at BBB- company, revising the outlook from stable to positive.

The positive outlook reflects GCC's prospects to continue to strengthen its financial and business position, while maintaining a solid capital structure.

Today's revision also reflects Fitch's expectations that GCC will continue its strong free cash flow generation, which should help to fund its inorganic growth strategy, without significantly affecting leverage levels.

Fitch's report cites 4 major drivers in GCC's outlook update, including:

- Strong leadership positions in the United States and Mexico
- Resilience throughout business cycles and during volatile markets
- Large and important producer of oil-well cement
- Solid and consistent operating and financial results

Fitch Ratings also highlights that GCC's rating reflects its solid business position in the cement, concrete and aggregates segments; diversified customer base; as well as a strong free cash flow generation through different economic cycles.





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#### **About GCC**

GCC is a leading supplier and producer of cement, concrete, aggregates, and construction-related services in the United States, Mexico and Canada, with an annual cement production capacity of 5.8 million metric tons. Founded in 1941, the Company's shares are listed on the Mexican Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol GCC\*.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

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