



Barclays Tuesday Credit Call

Law of Supply and Demand Still Applies

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Agenda

- **Presenter**

- Riz Hussain, US High Yield Strategy

- **Credit Trading**

- Brian Wendell, US HY Credit Trading
- Rice Naylor, US IG Credit Trading
- Anibal Valdes, LatAm Credit Trading

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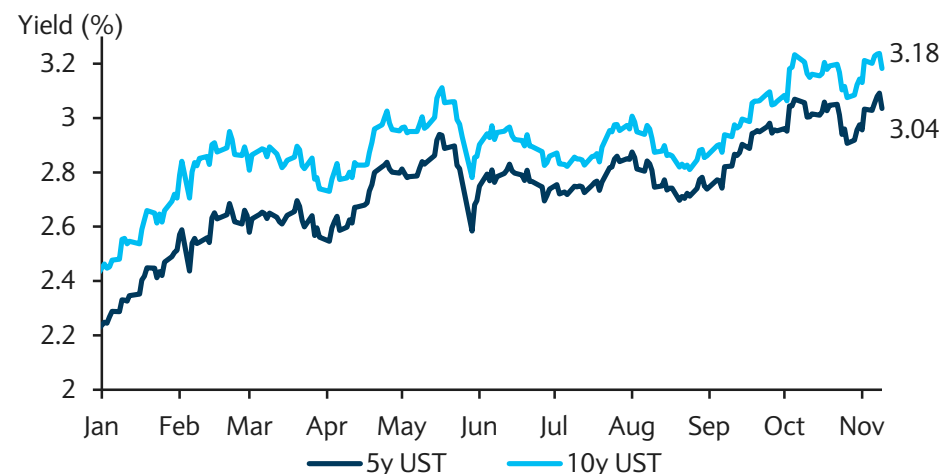
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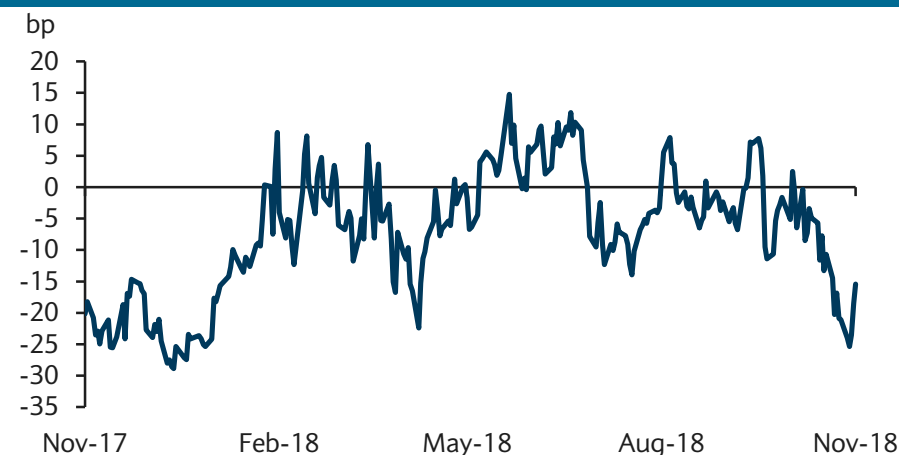
Markets Last Week

	9-Nov	Δ Week	Δ YTD
US Inv Grade	115 bp	-2 bp	22 bp
US High Yield	\$96.71	(\$0.02)	(\$4.20)
CDX.IG	67 bp	1 bp	2 bp
Itraxx Main	70 bp	-1 bp	3 bp
CDX.HY	\$105.52	(\$0.21)	(\$1.71)
Itraxx Crossover	288 bp	-2 bp	26 bp
CDX.EM	\$95.75	(\$0.05)	(\$1.20)
10yr Treasury	3.18%	-3 bp	78 bp
5yr Treasury	3.04%	0 bp	83 bp
S&P 500	2781	2.1%	4.0%
Euro Stoxx 600	366	0.5%	-6.0%
Dollar Exchange Rate Index	96.91	0.4%	5.2%
WTI Crude Oil	60.19	-4.7%	-0.4%
Gold Spot	1210	-1.9%	-7.1%

5yr UST Yield now Above 3%



CDX.HY Skew Has Widened Significantly



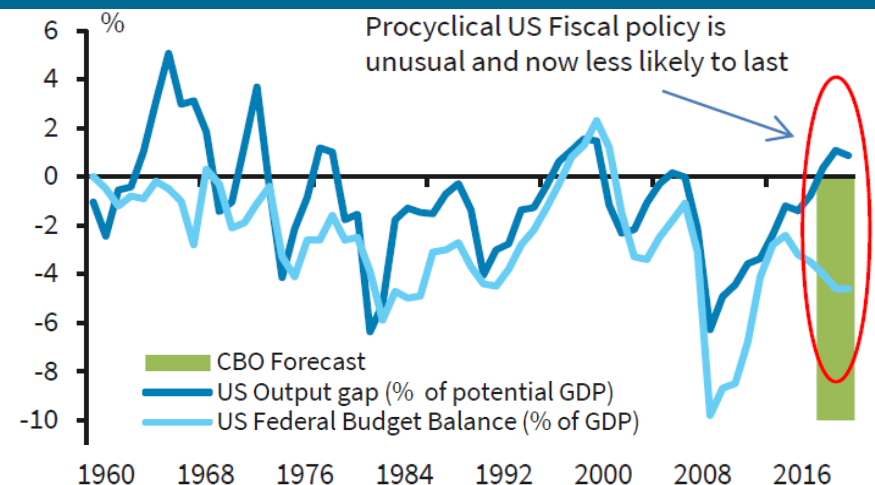
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Credit Performance after Mid-terms to YE

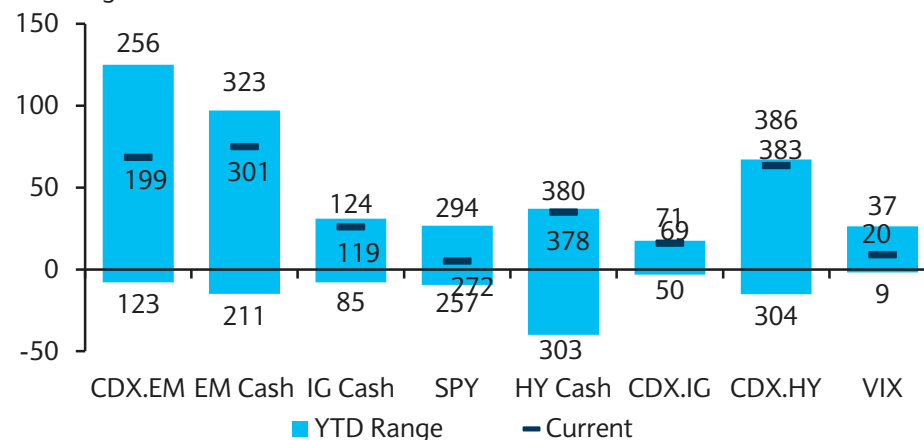
Mid-term year	Q4 central bank activity	SPX Price Return (%)	IG Cash ER (%)	HY Cash TR (%)
1990	easing	7.91	-0.47	6.05
1994	tightening	-0.82	-0.06	-0.54
1998	easing	8.76	2.15	4.49
2002	move from easing to neutral	-2.53	2.19	6.37
2006	move from tightening to neutral	2.56	0.24	2.2
2010	easing	2.81	0.84	-0.25
2014	neutral (ECB aggressive easing)	1.33	-0.66	-2.03
2018*	tightening	-3.26	-0.45	-0.72

More Fiscal Easing is Less Likely Now



YTD Ranges for Asset Classes

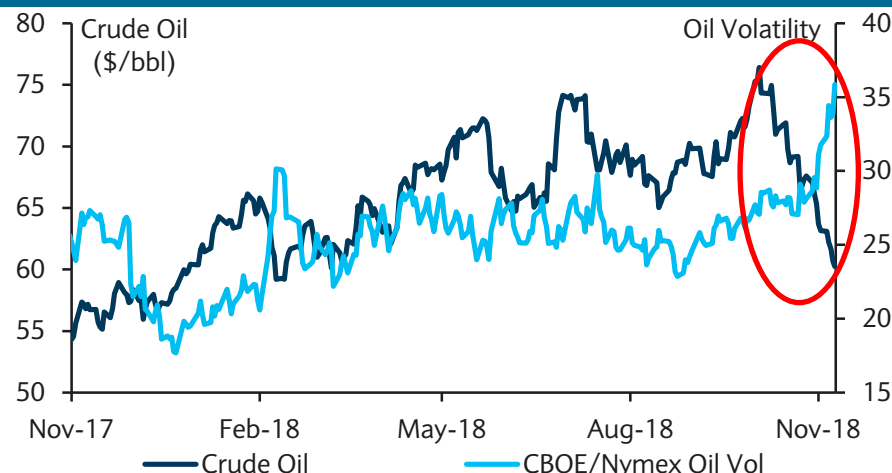
YTD Ranges of Selective Asset Classes***



Note: * HY total return data available as of November end. **: First two weeks of Nov for 2018. ***: Unit: Spread (bp) for cash credit and CDX, and level for SPY and VIX. Data as of Tuesday Close.
Source for all charts: CBO, Bloomberg, Bloomberg Barclays Indices, Barclays Research

As oil enters a bear market, we see the market as range-bound and update our sensitivity analysis for oil-biased HY names

Crude Oil is in Bear Market Territory



Thoughts from Our Commodities Team*

- We have been skeptical of \$85/b Brent prices for some time now and flagged this high correction risk
- Non-OPEC production and specifically US production will singlehandedly meet the rise in oil demand next year... market back to surplus despite the sharp declines in Iran and Venezuela
- We see the market as range-bound and think that Brent prices above \$80 or below \$70 are unlikely to be sustainable
- Our forecast remains \$72/b for next year (\$65/b WTI). We flag upside risks in Q1 (Nigeria) and in Q4 (IMO implementation). We are bullish on prices in the long term (\$75 in 2020 and \$80 in 2025)

2019 Est. Net Leverage Including Hedges for Oil-Biased Producers*

WTI Est. (\$/bbl)	\$50.00	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$65.00
Natural Gas Est. (HH)(\$/mmbtu)	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.80
CRC	5.1x	4.5x	3.8x	3.3x
DNR (PF)	3.1x	2.8x	2.5x	2.2x
EPENEG	6.4x	5.5x	4.8x	4.3x
HILCRP	1.6x	1.4x	1.2x	1.0x
HK	4.1x	3.6x	3.0x	2.8x
LPI	2.5x	2.1x	1.8x	1.6x
OAS	3.3x	2.8x	2.3x	2.0x
PDCE	1.7x	1.4x	1.0x	0.9x
SM	4.0x	3.3x	2.6x	2.3x
SN	7.7x	6.8x	6.1x	5.4x
WLL	2.2x	1.9x	1.6x	1.3x
WPX	2.1x	1.9x	1.5x	1.4x
Group Mean:	3.7x	3.2x	2.7x	2.4x

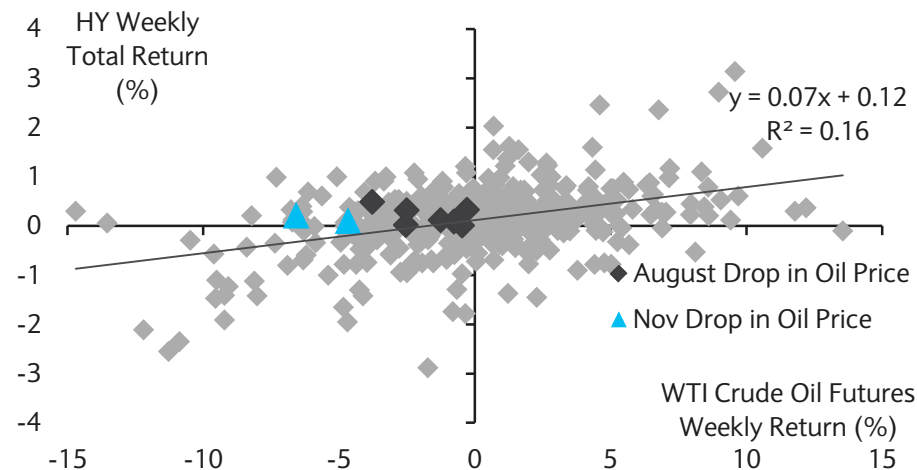
Our assumptions at \$55/bbl: 10% reduction in estimated capex and 2019 growth targets cut in half. For \$50/bbl, 20% reduction in capex and no liquids growth for oil-biased producers

At \$55/bbl oil, Denbury (pro forma), WPX, and Whiting (WLL) screen as less sensitive relative to their peers

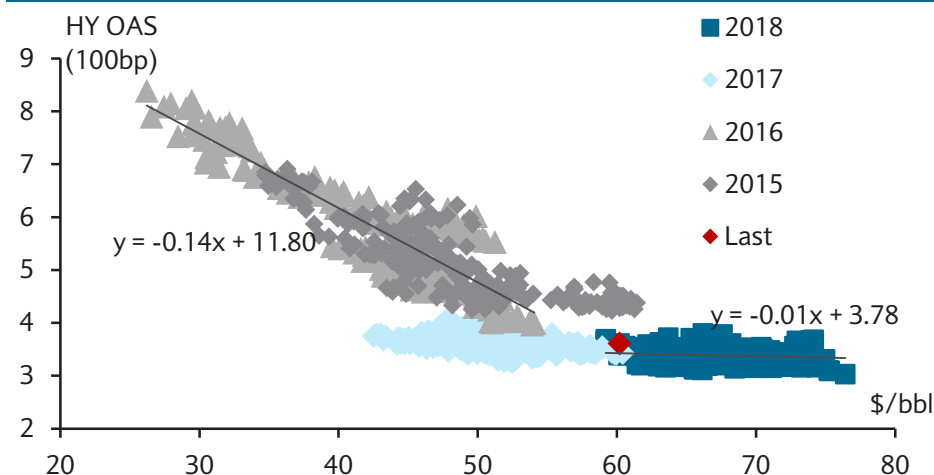
For more detail, see "The Blue Drum: Balance is in the eye of the beholder", Nov 2, 2018, and "Why So Sensitive?", Nov 13, 2018. Source for all charts: EIA, Company Reports, Bloomberg, Barclays Research

HY has outperformed its energy beta recently and spreads have shown less sensitivity to energy prices given improved balance sheets

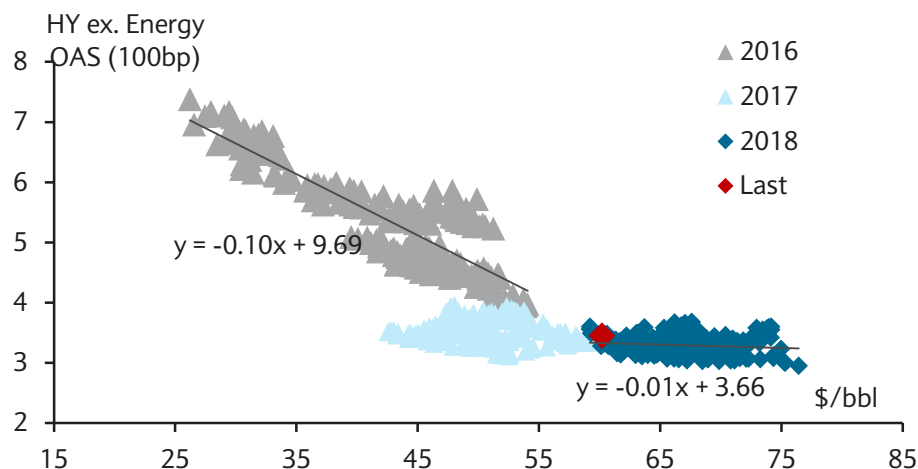
HY Outperformed its Energy Beta Recently



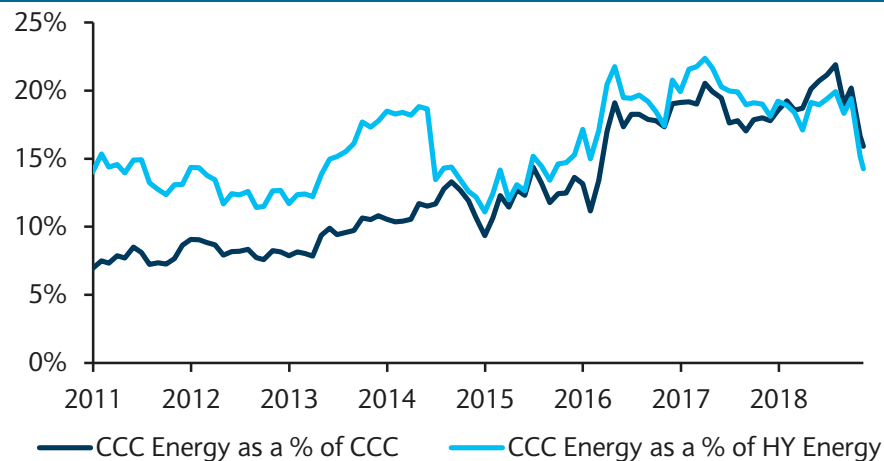
HY Spreads Less Sensitive to Energy Px Now



Same for HY Ex-Energy Cohort



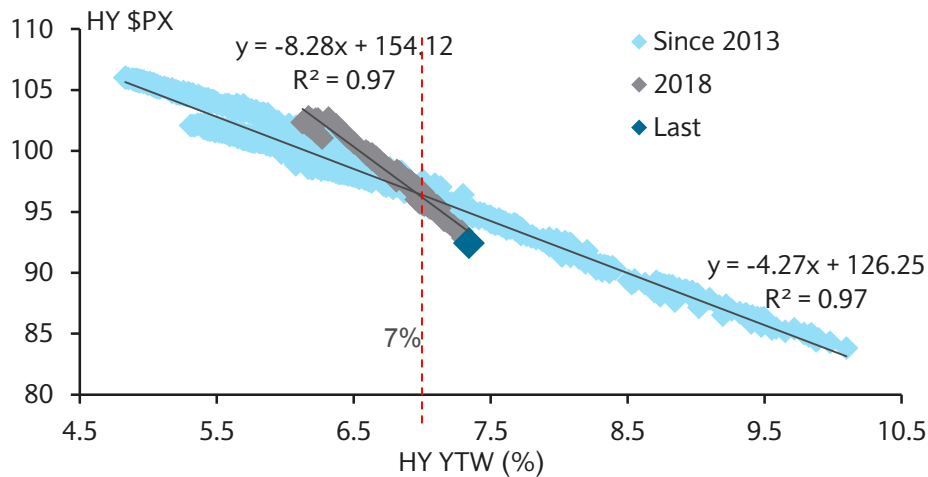
CCC Energy Concentration Has Declined



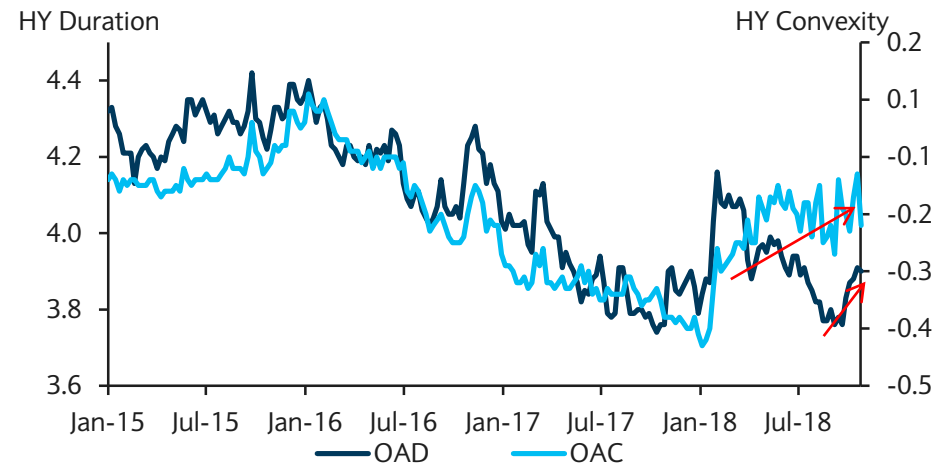
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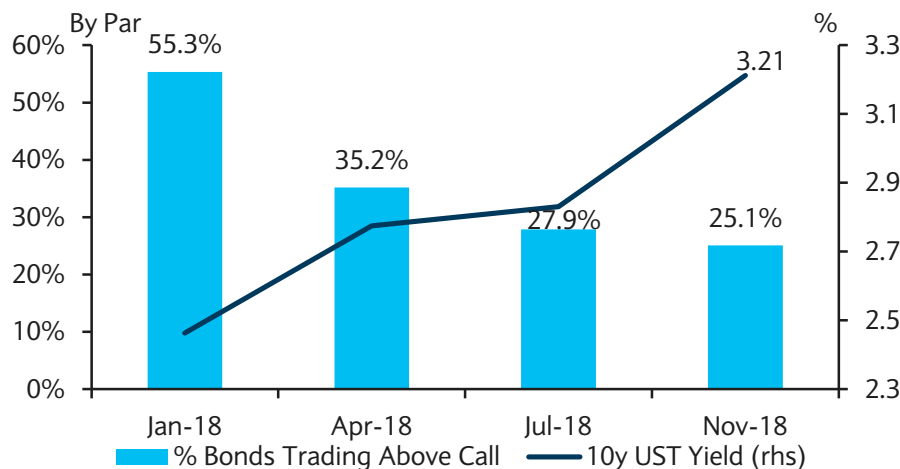
HY Bonds are Now Trading at Lower \$PX



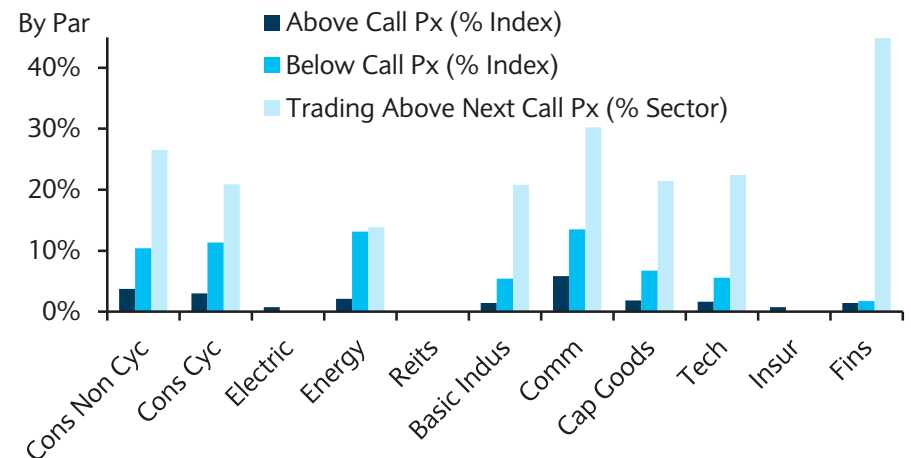
Higher Dur. and Less Negative Convexity



% of Call Constrained Bonds Declined



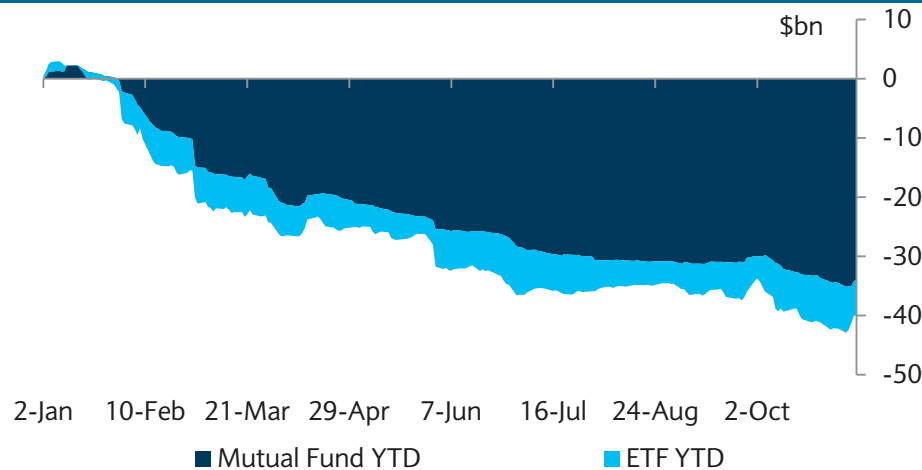
Breakdown of Bonds Trading Above Call



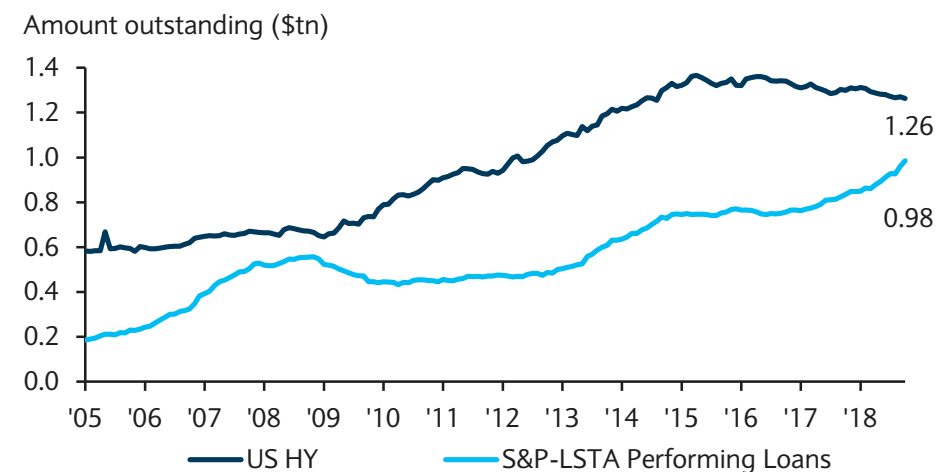
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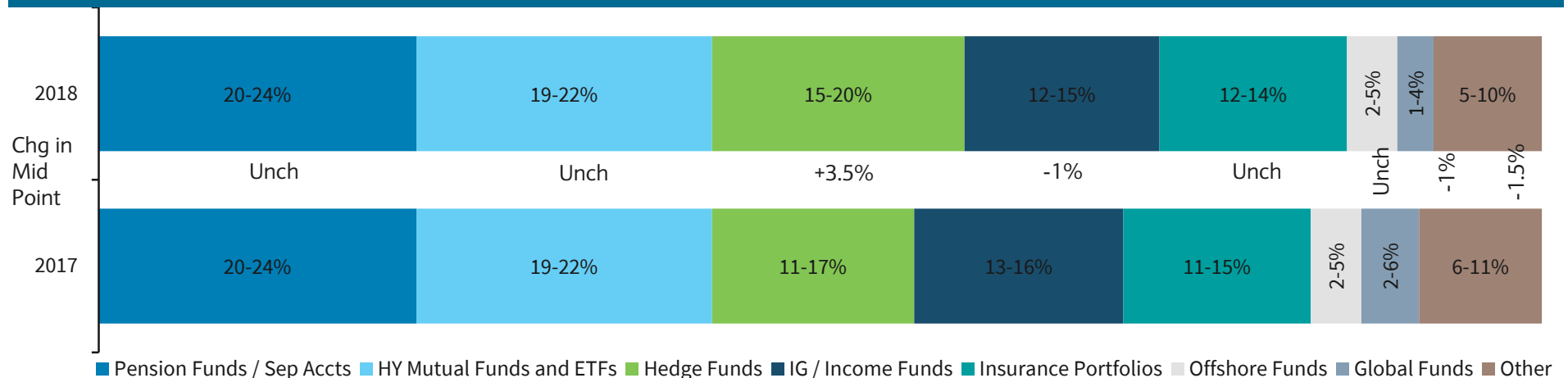
Record Outflow from HY Retail Funds YTD



Largely In Line with Shrinking Market Size



HY Buyer Base: Up in HF and Down in IG/Income and Global Funds

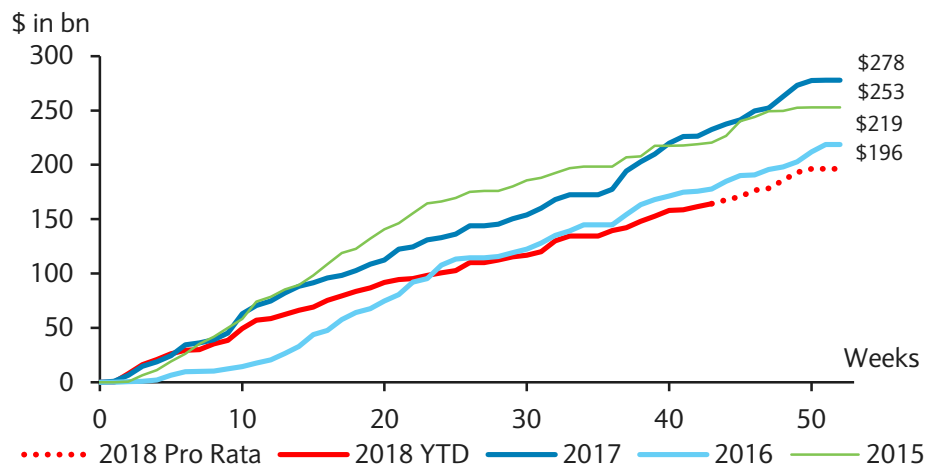


For more detail, see "[Mapping Demand to a Shrinking Market](#)", Nov 9, 2018.

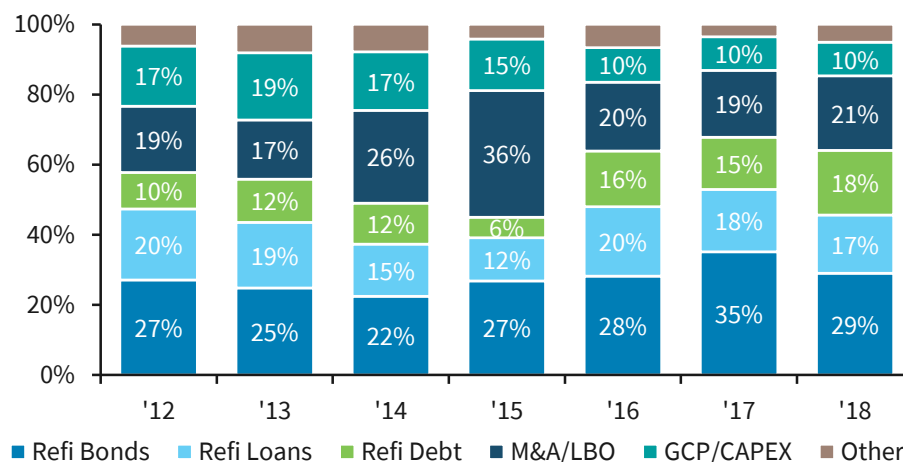
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The lack of supply has supported HY performance for most of 2018; we expect another year of subdued issuance in 2019

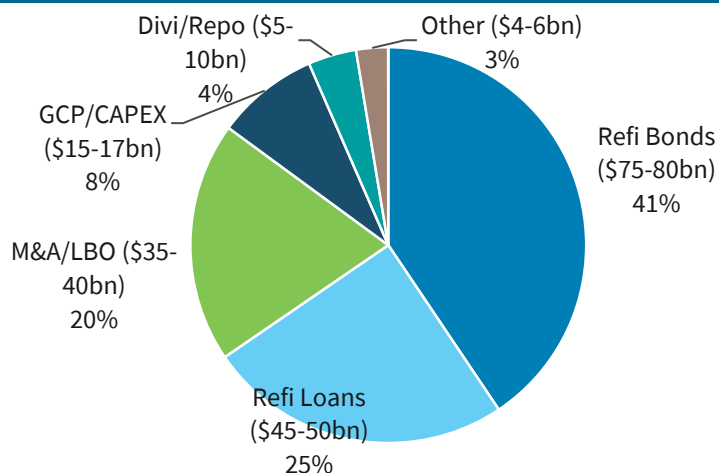
Gross Supply Trending to Lowest in Years*



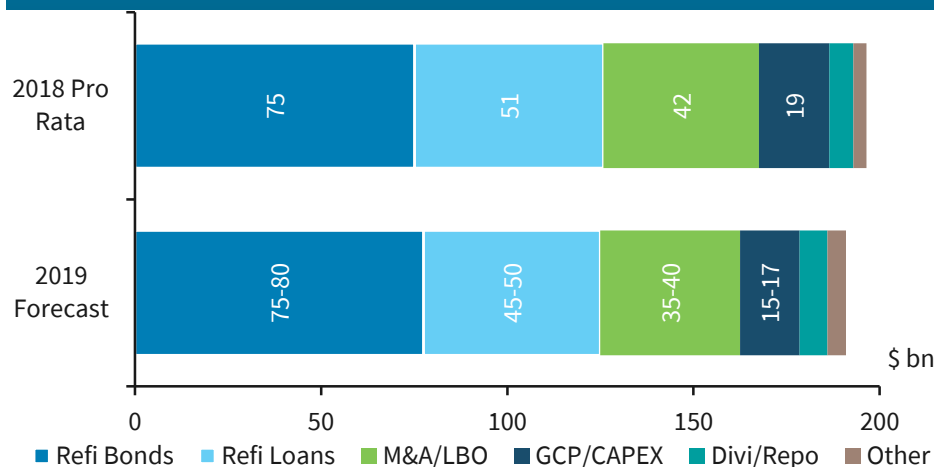
HY: Refi Portion Lower, but Still Elevated**



2019 Supply Forecast by UoP



2019 Forecast rel. to 2018 Ann. Volume

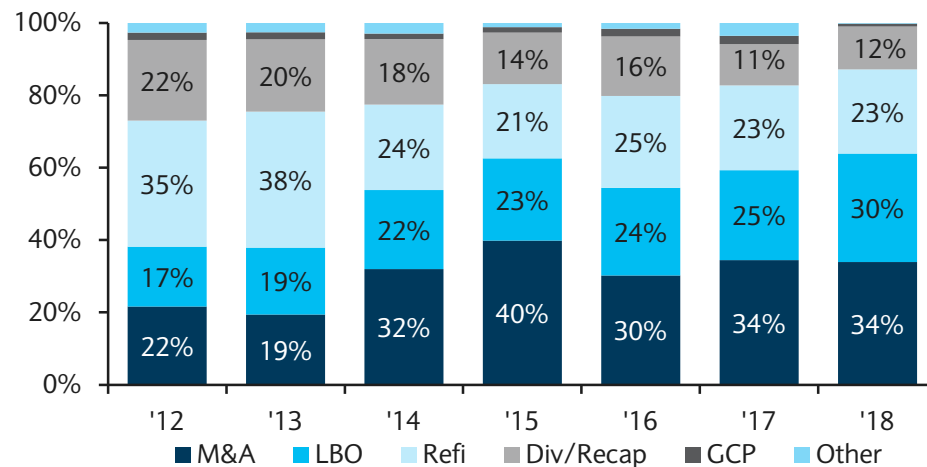


Note: *:2018 pro rata number calculated using 2017 cadence. **: Refi debt category is for bonds issued to refinance both bonds and loans.

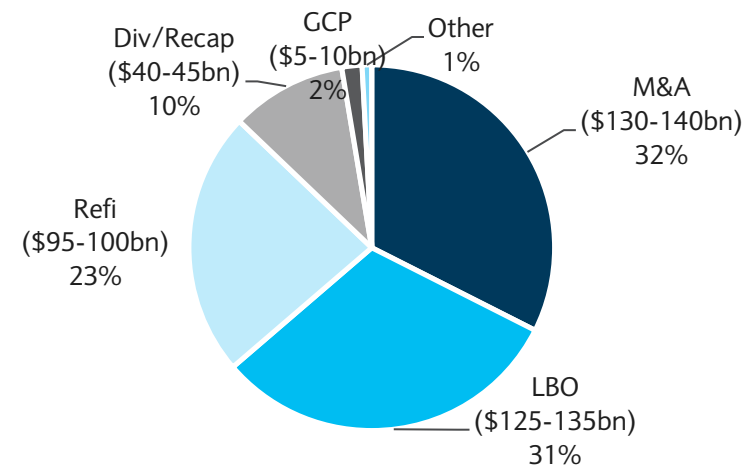
For more detail, see "2019 High Yield Supply Outlook: Another Year of Subdued Levels", Nov 9, 2018. Source for all charts: S&P LCD, Lipper, Kaneri, Bloomberg, EPFR, HFR, Credit Flux, Federal Reserve, Refinitiv, Bloomberg Barclays Indices, Barclays Research

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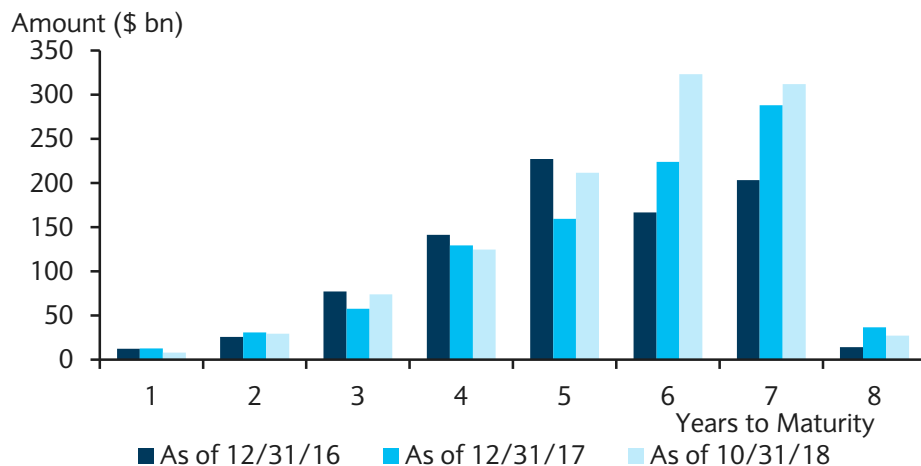
M&A and LBO Financing at Highest in 7yrs



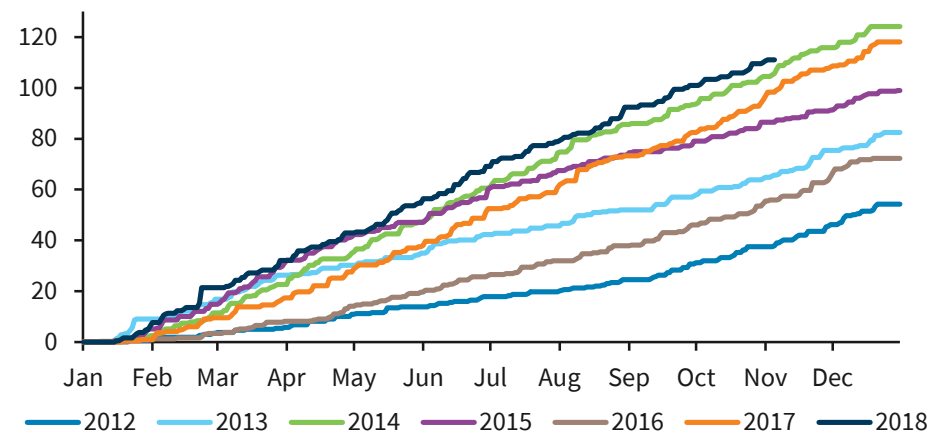
2019 Supply Forecast by Bucket



Evolution of the Loan Maturity Wall*



CLO New Issue Volume Trend (\$bn)

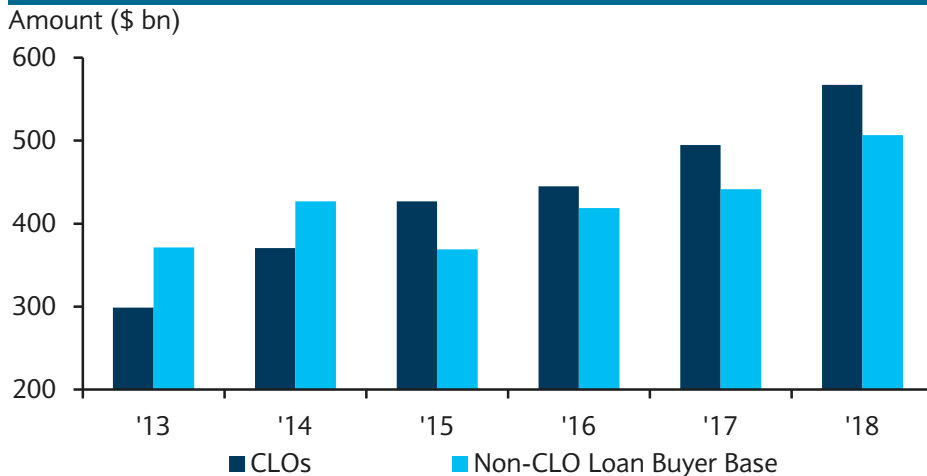


Note: * 2018 data through Oct 31. For more detail, see ["2019 Loan Supply Outlook: The Growth Goes On"](#), Nov 9, 2018.

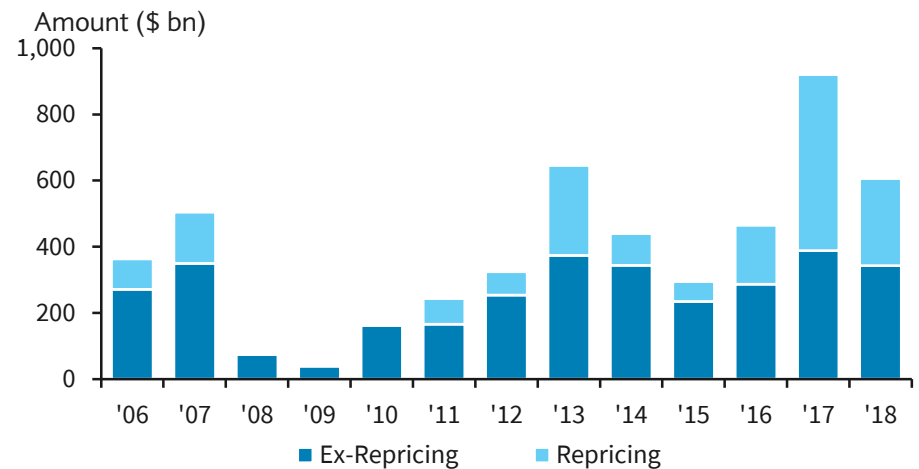
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The climb in loan issuance has been met with strong demand, especially from CLOs

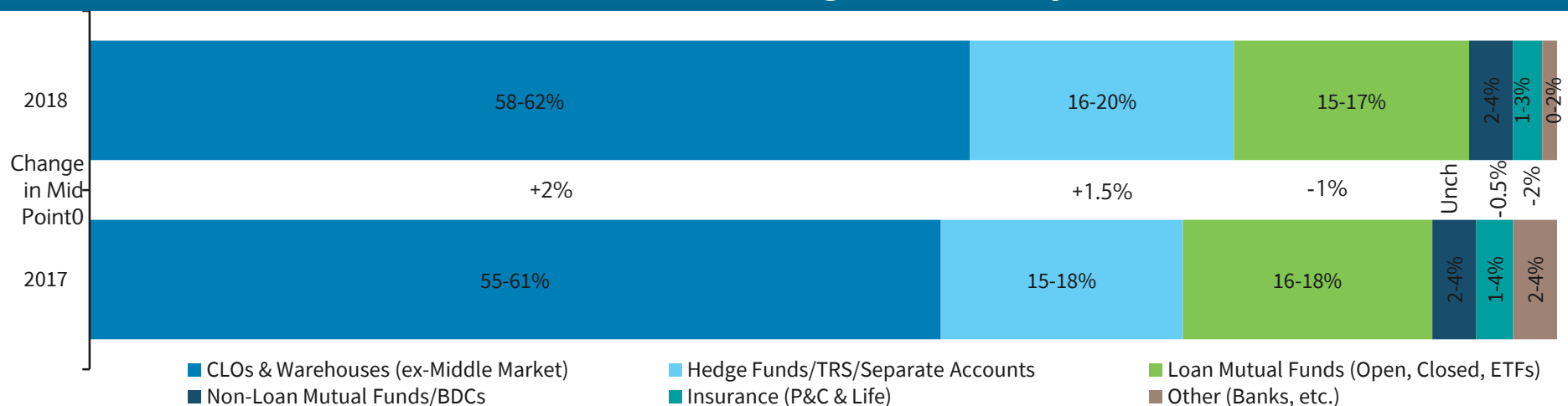
Demand from CLOs Has Been Robust*



Ex-Repricing Supply Remains Strong



Breakdown of US Leveraged Loan Buyer Base



Note: * CLO demand includes middle market. For more detail, see "[Mapping Demand: CLOs Continue to Grow](#)", Oct 26, 2018, and "[2019 Loan Supply Outlook: The Growth Goes On](#)", Nov 9, 2018. Source for all charts: S&P LCD, Lipper, Kaneri, Bloomberg, EPFR, HFR, Credit Flux, Federal Reserve, Refinitiv, Bloomberg Barclays Indices, Barclays Research

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DNR 4 5/8 07/15/23, Overweight (USD 78.00, 13-Nov-2018)

DNR 5 1/2 05/01/22, Overweight (USD 83.00, 13-Nov-2018)

DNR 6 3/8 08/15/21, Overweight (USD 90.50, 13-Nov-2018)

DNR 9 05/15/21, Overweight (USD 101.50, 13-Nov-2018)

DNR 9 1/4 03/31/22, Overweight (USD 100.75, 13-Nov-2018)

Valuation Methodology: We retain our Overweight rating on DNR bonds across our coverage. DNR bonds have steadily outperformed as they became rerated investors. Operating FCF, debt reduction and even two secured exchanges have all led to DNR bonds outperforming. We see this outperformance continuing with the potential for asset sales in 2018 and 2019, coupled with strong FCF in 2018 and 2019 (even assuming \$55/bbl for 2019). We estimate DNR's net leverage drops to 3.8x in 2018 compared to the average for CCC-rated energy companies of 4.8x. Our 2019 net leverage estimate is 3.4x. If we were to use the current strip price for oil, it would be 2.2x.

Risks that May Impede Achievement of the Rating: A significant oil price sell-off as the company is highly leveraged to WTI.

WHITING PETROLEUM CORP, CD/CE/J

WLL 6 1/4 04/01/23, Overweight (USD 98.00, 13-Nov-2018)

Valuation Methodology: We see WLL bonds as attractive here as the company has transformed into a FCF biased company.

Risks that May Impede Achievement of the Rating: Lower oil prices

WLL 5 3/4 03/15/21, Overweight (USD 99.00, 13-Nov-2018)

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WPX 5 1/4 09/15/24, Market Weight (USD 96.00, 13-Nov-2018)

WPX 5 3/4 06/01/26, Market Weight (USD 97.25, 13-Nov-2018)

WPX 6 01/15/22, Market Weight (USD 101.00, 13-Nov-2018)

WPX 8 1/4 08/01/23, Market Weight (USD 111.00, 13-Nov-2018)

Valuation Methodology: We remain Market Weight on WPX bonds. WPX has similar net leverage to its B-rated (composite) peers, yet with an OAS 120bp tight of this group.

Risks that May Impede Achievement of the Rating: Large swing in WTI prices to either the upside or the downside.

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