



SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17  
OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE  
AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1. May 11, 2023  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
2. SEC Identification Number CS200711792 3. BIR Tax Identification No. 006-806-867
4. GT Capital Holdings, Inc.  
Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
5. Philippines  
Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation
6.  (SEC Use Only)  
Industry Classification Code
7. 43/F GT Tower International, 6813 Ayala Avenue corner H.V. Dela Costa Street, Makati  
Address of principal office 1227  
Postal Code
8. (632) 8836-4500  
Issuer's telephone number, including area code
9. N/A  
Former name or former address, if changed since last report
10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Stock Outstanding	Amount of Debt Outstanding
Common Shares	215,284,587	None
Corporate Retail Bonds	-	Php4 Billion
Perpetual Preferred Shares (GTPPA)	4,839,240	None
Perpetual Preferred Shares (GTPPB)	7,160,760	None

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein:

Item No. 9. Other Events.

Please see the attached press release.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GT Capital Holdings, Inc.

Issuer

May 11, 2023

Date



RENEE LYNN MICIANO-ATIENZA

Vice President

Head, Legal and Compliance



## GT Capital's P4.0 Billion Fixed Rate Bonds Keep Highest Rating

The rating for the total outstanding P4.0 billion fixed rate bonds of GT Capital Holdings, Inc. (GT Capital), the primary vehicle for the holding and management of the business interests of the family of the late Dr. George S. K. Ty, was maintained at **PRS Aaa/Outlook: Stable** by Philippine Rating Services Corporation (PhilRatings).

GT Capital is a major listed Philippine conglomerate with interests in market-leading businesses in banking; automotive assembly, importation, distribution, and financing; property development; life and general insurance; and infrastructure and utilities.

Obligations rated **PRS Aaa** are of the highest quality with minimal credit risk. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on the obligation is **extremely strong**. **PRS Aaa** is the highest rating assigned by PhilRatings. A **Stable Outlook**, on the other hand, indicates that the rating is likely to be maintained or to remain unchanged in the next 12 months.

The assigned issue rating considers GT Capital's investment portfolio, which is comprised of companies with solid market position; strong ownership and management; and healthy balance sheet. These core credit strengths have allowed the GT Capital Group to remain resilient through significant challenges during the height of the Covid-19 pandemic, and serve as a sound base for growth, in line with expectations of sustained, albeit tempered, expansion of the domestic economy.

PhilRatings' ratings are based on available information and projections at the time that the rating review was performed. PhilRatings shall continuously monitor developments relating to GT Capital and may change the rating at any time, should circumstances warrant a change.

Metropolitan Bank and Trust Company (Metrobank) is considered one of the strongest players in the Philippine banking industry. As of end-2022, Metrobank was the Philippines' second largest private universal bank (unibank) based on assets of P2.8 trillion. The bank's non-performing loan (NPL) ratio was above satisfactory at 1.9%, improving from 2.2% in 2021 and better than the industry average of 3.3%. NPL cover was ample at 172.4%, more than enough to cover potential risks to asset quality. As of end-2022, capital adequacy ratio (CAR) and Common Equity Tier 1 (CET 1) ratio stood at 17.7% and 16.8%, respectively, and both exceed minimum regulatory requirements.

Toyota Motor Philippines (TMP) is the leading and largest automotive company in the Philippines. Toyota has remained the top vehicle brand in the country, despite strong competition from other recognized international auto brands. Since 2002, TMP has been the industry leader in terms of overall sales. Based on combined figures of the Chamber of Automotive Manufacturers of the Philippines, Inc. (CAMPI) and the Association of Vehicle Importers and Distributors (AVID), TMP continued to dominate the market with a share of 50.0% in 2022. TMP's market leadership is supported by its globally trusted brand; wide dealership network offering a full range of services; availability of original parts, supplies, and services; high resale value; and corporate policy of manufacturing original parts for discontinued models for up to 15 years.

Philippine AXA Life Insurance Corporation (AXA Philippines) is one of the leading life insurance companies in the Philippines. Based on 2022 data from the Insurance Commission (IC), AXA Philippines was the third largest life insurer based on assets (P146.4 billion); fourth in terms of premium income (P24.2 billion); fifth in terms of net income (P2.5 billion); and tenth based on paid-up capital (P1.0 billion). AXA Philippines is considered a strong player in the bancassurance market, benefiting from the wide network of Metrobank and Philippine Savings Bank (PSBank) branches. Through its equity stake in AXA Philippines,

GT Capital had an indirect interest in Charter Ping An Insurance Corporation (Charter Ping An). AXA Philippines fully absorbed its subsidiary, Charter Ping An, with the former being the surviving entity as approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on December 28, 2022. According to IC data, Charter Ping An had the following 2022 rankings relative to other domestic non-life insurers: sixth based on assets (P9.7 billion), seventh in terms of premiums earned (P2.3 billion), ninth based on premiums written (P2.1 billion) and tenth in terms of gross written premiums (P3.1 billion).

In 2016, GT Capital became a strategic investor in Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (MPIC) by acquiring a 15.55% stake in the company, making GT Capital the second largest shareholder of MPIC. The Metro Pacific Group is one of the Philippines' largest infrastructure conglomerates, as of report writing date. The conglomerate has a presence in high-growth infrastructure businesses, such as power, toll roads, water, healthcare, light rail, and logistics. As of December 31, 2022, GT Capital had a 17.08% ownership stake in MPIC.

Through its privately-held firm, Grand Titan Capital Holdings (Grand Titan), the Ty family continues to have significant control over GT Capital, in terms of ownership and management. While GT Capital's ownership structure is concentrated, PhilRatings notes that the Ty family has been a supportive and stabilizing influence on the GT Capital Group. The Ty family has an established track record of growing businesses, with in-depth knowledge of the domestic business environment. The Ty family is also backed by a highly-experienced management team, which includes non-family professionals. The combination of strong shareholders and well-experienced management has enabled the GT Capital Group to enter into strategic partnerships with globally-recognized companies.

GT Capital has managed to keep its healthy balance sheet, even amid the continuing pandemic. Leverage has been well-managed, with debt-to-equity (DE) ratio kept at 0.7x as of end-2022. Such indicates that GT Capital has enough space for additional debt moving forward, while maintaining the soundness of its capitalization structure. Current ratio was more than satisfactory at 1.9x, as of December 31, 2022.