Early Warning System

EBRD-55228

Farmont Logistics Centre & Pharmacies Expansion



Quick Facts

| Countries | Montenegro |
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| Financial Institutions | European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) |
| Status | Canceled |
| Bank Risk Rating | В |
| Voting Date | 2024-08-13 |
| Borrower | Farmont M.P. |
| Sectors | Industry and Trade |
| Investment Type(s) | Loan |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 3.30 million |
| Project Cost (USD) | \$ 3.63 million |



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the project consists of an EBRD financing of EUR3 million in two tranches of EUR2 million and EUR1 million for the expansion of Farmont's logistics centre and opening and/or acquistion of a small pharmacy retail chain.

EBRD financing will enable the Company to expand its existing logistics centre with additional 2,000 sqm, in addition to current one 800 sqm. New logistics centre will fulfil all the energy efficiency standards achieve at least one energy efficiency class better on the energy certificate (EPC) than the national baseline. The expansion of the logistics centre will enable Farmont to increase its capacities and expand its wholesale business. In addition, through tranche 2, the the Company will open several new pharmacies and/or purchase a small chain of pharmacies, that will enable vertical integration, and higher profitability.



Investment Description

• European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Loan amount: up to EUR 3.0 million Tenor: 7 years, including up to 2 years grace period Two tranches of EUR 2.0 million and EUR 1.0 million respectively. Tranche 2 will be uncommitted.

SOURCES TOTAL EUR 3.3 m: EBRD Tranche 1: EUR 2.0 m EBRD Tranche 2: EUR 1.0 m Client Financing: EUR 0.3 m



Private Actors Description

Farmont M.P. is a limited liability family company founded by Momcilo Popovic. The Company deals with wholesale of medicines, medical and sanitary materials, medical devices and equipment.

The Popovic family also owns "HELP" ltd, which runs a retail chain of pharmacies operating in Montenegro. HELP currently has 10 pharmacies, up from one in 2019, out of which seven in Podgorica.



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| Private Actor 1 | Private Actor 1 Role | Private Actor 1 Sector | Relation | Private Actor 2 | Private Actor 2 Role | Private Actor 2 Sector | |
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| - | - | - | - | Farmont M.P. | Client | - | |

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