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Moody's and S&P Affirm The Washington Post Company's Long-Term and Short-Term Ratings

WASHINGTON—October 27, 2008—The Washington Post Company (NYSE: WPO) announced today that Moody's Investors Service and Standard and Poor's Ratings Services have affirmed the Company's long-term and short-term debt ratings as follows:

	Moody's	Standard and Poor's
Long-term ratings	A1	A+
Short-term ratings	Prime-1	A-1

Both Moody's and Standard and Poor's have changed The Washington Post Company's ratings outlook from stable to negative.

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