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Reference	Comment	
General Comment	GDV welcomes the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal for implementing technical standards on the procedures for assessing external credit assessments.	
	Classification of activities	
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	individual undertaking-specific assessment. According to recital 33 of the Solvency II-Directive only key functions are mandatory critical or important functions.	
Recital 1		
Recital 2	Recital 2 requires "additional assessmentwherever this is practicably possible". In our view, more emphasis should be put on the fact that, in practice, only a few companies will be able to engage the necessary resources and expertise to perform additional credit risk assessments. In addition, the proportionality principle should also be referred to in the articles of the ITSs, and not only in the recitals.	
Recital 3		
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Article 5	The documentation requirement goes beyond Art. 44 (2) Solvency II-Directive and Guideline 18 of EIOPA-CP-14/017 and should be deleted.	
Article 6	The classification of additional assessments as critical or important operational activity contradicts the individual undertaking-specific assessment. According to recital 33 of the Solvency II-Directive only key functions are mandatory critical or important functions. Guideline 65 of EIOPA-CP-14/017 clarifies "The undertaking should determine and document whether the outsourced function or activity is a critical or important function or activity" If e.g. an undertaking has only a few externally rated assets (of low value), the outsourcing of the additional assessment for these assets is not	

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	mandatory critical or important. The assessment of whether the activity is critical or not should be left to undertakings and not EIOPA in accordance with guidelines 65 of CP-14/017.	
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