

## Press Release

### KARVY DATA MANAGEMENT SERVICES LIMITED

November 27, 2019

#### Rating Update



<b>Total Bank Facilities Rated*</b>	Rs.600.00 Cr. #
<b>Long Term Rating</b>	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded from ACUITE BBB+) Issuer not co-operating*
<b>Short Term Rating</b>	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded from ACUITE A2) Issuer not co-operating*

# Refer Annexure for details

\* The issuer did not co-operate; based on best available information.

Acuite has downgraded long-term rating to '**ACUITE BB+**' (read as **ACUITE double B plus**) from '**ACUITE BBB+**' (read as **ACUITE triple B plus**) and short term rating to '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as **ACUITE A four plus**) from '**ACUITE A2**' (read as **ACUITE A two**) on the Rs.600 crore bank facilities of KARVY DATA MANAGEMENT SERVICES LIMITED (KDMSL). This rating continues to be flagged as 'Issuer Not Cooperating' and rating downgrade is on account of information risk and recent developments in the Karvy Group.

The Hyderabad-based KDMSL, part of the Karvy group, was incorporated in 2008. The Karvy group is a three-decade old diversified financial services conglomerate with presence in stock broking, data management, institutional equities, wealth management and asset management services. Karvy Stock Broking Limited (KSBL) is the flagship company of the group and holds 30 percent stake in KDMSL with the balance 70 percent held by Karvy Realty India Limited (KRIL). KDMSL undertakes E-Governance projects, back office processing, data management services for the government and also for industries such as telecom, banking sectors among others.

#### Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower

Acuite has been requesting for data, information and undertakings from the rated entity for conducting surveillance & review of the rating. However, the issuer / borrower failed to submit such information before due date.

Acuite believes that information risk is a critical component in such ratings, and non-cooperation by the issuer along with unwillingness to provide information could be a sign of potential deterioration in its overall credit quality.

#### Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm>
- Financial Ratios And Adjustments - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm>
- Consolidation of Companies - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-60.htm>

#### Limitation regarding information availability

The rating is based on information available from sources other than the issuer / borrower (in the absence of information provided by the issuer / borrower). Acuite endeavoured to gather information about the entity / industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuite cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative credit rating is based.

#### About the Rated Entity - Key Financials

	Unit	FY19 (Actual)	FY18 (Actual)	FY17 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	1255.15	884.79	408.23
EBITDA	Rs. Cr.	216.96	175.34	98.36
PAT	Rs. Cr.	75.37	36.67	19.73
EBITDA Margin	(%)	17.29	19.82	24.09

PAT Margin	(%)	6.01	4.14	4.83
ROCE	(%)	19.16	19.93	28.02
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	2.53	2.47	2.72
PBDIT/Interest	Times	2.56	2.41	2.35
Total Debt/PBDIT	Times	3.21	2.98	3.82
Gross Current Assets (Days)	Days	250	226	329

#### Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA (if applicable)

None

#### Any other information

Acuite is yet to receive the latest No Default Statement (NDS) from the rated entity, despite repeated requests and follow-ups.

#### Rating History (Upto last three years)

Date	Name of Instrument / Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings/Outlook
12-Nov-2019	Cash Credit	Long Term	220.00	ACUITE BBB+ Issuer not co-operating*
	Term Loans	Long Term	111.85	ACUITE BBB+ Issuer not co-operating*
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	158.15	ACUITE BBB+ Issuer not co-operating*
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	110.00	ACUITE A2 Issuer not co-operating*
22-Aug-2018	Cash Credit	Long Term	220.00	ACUITE BBB+/Stable (Upgraded)
	Term Loans	Long Term	111.85	ACUITE BBB+/Stable (Upgraded)
	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	158.15	ACUITE BBB+/Stable (Upgraded)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	110.00	ACUITE A2 (Upgraded)
13-Jul-2017	Term Loans	Long Term	47.91	ACUITE BBB/Stable (Upgraded)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	80.00	ACUITE BBB/Stable (Upgraded)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	60.00	ACUITE BBB/Stable (Assigned)
	Letter of Credit	Short Term	65.00	ACUITE A3+ (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	30.00	ACUITE A3+ (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	35.00	ACUITE A3+ (Upgraded)
	Proposed Fund Based	Long Term	282.09	ACUITE BBB/Stable (Upgraded)

## #Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	220.00	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded) Issuer not co-operating*
Term Loans	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	111.85	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded) Issuer not co-operating*
Proposed Bank Facility	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	158.15	ACUITE BB+ (Downgraded) Issuer not co-operating*
Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	110.00	ACUITE A4+ (Downgraded) Issuer not co-operating*

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