

Press Release

Venkateshwara Sponge & Iron Co Private Limited May 22, 2024

Rating Downgraded Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating.						
Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating			
Bank Loan Ratings	13.00	ACUITE B- Downgraded Issuer not co-operating*	-			
Bank Loan Ratings	5.00	-	ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*			
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	18.00	-	-			

Rating Rationale

Acuité has downgraded the long-term rating to 'ACUITE B-' (read as ACUITE B minus) from 'ACUITE B' (read as ACUITE B) and reaffirmed the short term rating of 'ACUITE A4' (read as ACUITE A four) on the Rs. 18.00 crore bank facilities of Venkateshwara Sponge & Iron Co Private Limited (VSPL). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is downgraded on account of information risk.

About the Company

Incorporated in 2005, the Jharkhand-based Venkateshwara Sponge & Iron Co Private Limited was promoted by Mr. Birendra Rai and his son to manufacture sponge iron and trade in coal. The company has an installed capacity of 100 MT per. The present directors of the company are Mr. Saurabh Kumar and Mr. Kumar Vikram Singh.

Unsupported Rating

Not Applicable

Non-cooperation by the issuer/borrower:

Acuité 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 the due date. Acuité 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. This rating is, therefore, being flagged as "Issuer not-cooperating", in line with prevailing SEBI regulations and Acuité's policies.

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). Acuité endeavored to gather information about the entity/industry from the public domain. Therefore, Acuité cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative credit

ratingis based.

Rating Sensitivity

"No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon."

Liquidity Position

"No information provided by the issuer / available for Acuite to comment upon."

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Key Financials

Particulars	Unit	FY 23 (Actual)	FY 22 (Actual)
Operating Income	Rs. Cr.	90.33	76.67
PAT	Rs. Cr.	0.34	0.32
PAT Margin	(%)	0.37	0.42
Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth	Times	1.79	1.61
PBDIT/Interest	Times	1.47	1.46

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Manufacturing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-59.htm
- Default Recognition: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-52.htm
- Application Of Financial Ratios And Adjustments: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-53.htm

Note on Complexity Levels of the Rated Instrument

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Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
22 Feb 2023	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	5.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	13.00	ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)
25 Nov 2021	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Short Term	5.00	ACUITE A4 (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	13.00	ACUITE B (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co- operating*)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Complexity Level	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.	Bank Guarantee (BLR)	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple		ACUITE A4 Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Bank of India	Not avl. / Not appl.		Not avl. / Not appl.		Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	13.00	ACUITE B- Downgraded Issuer not co- operating* (from ACUITE B)

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