

Press Release

Ess Pee Knit Wear

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Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs. 22.50 Cr. #
Long Term Rating	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*
Short Term Rating	ACUITE A3 Issuer not co-operating*

#Refer Annexure for details

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

Acuité has reviewed the long-term rating to '**ACUITE BBB-**' (**read as ACUITE triple B minus**) and short-term rating to '**ACUITE A3**' (**read as ACUITE A three**) on the Rs. 22.50 crore bank facilities of Ess Pee Knit Wear (EPKW). This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

EPKW was established in 1992 by Mr. N. Palanisamy, Mr. T.S. Swaminathan and Mr. S. Mahesh Kumar. The firm is engaged in the business of manufacturing and export of hosiery goods (fashion apparels) for men, women and kids.

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 due date.

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

Applicable Criteria

- Default Recognition -<https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-17.htm>
- Manufacturing Entities -<https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-14.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). Acuité endeavoured 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 rating is based.

About the Rated Entity – Key Financials

The rated entity has not shared the latest financial statements despite repeated requests.

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

None

Any other information

Acuité 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
30-Apr-2019	Packing Credit	Short term	13.75	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Post Shipment Credit	Short term	2.50	ACUITE A3 (Reaffirmed)
	Standby Line of Credit	Long term	1.50	ACUITE BBB-/Stable (Reaffirmed)
	Bank Guarantee	Short term	0.05	ACUITE A3 (Withdrawn)
	Term Loan	Long term	1.18	ACUITE BBB-/Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long term	2.00	ACUITE BBB-/Stable (Assigned)
	Working Capital Term Loan	Long term	0.96	ACUITE BBB-/Stable (Assigned)
	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long term	0.61	ACUITE BBB-/Stable (Assigned)
07-Feb-2018	Packing Credit	Short term	6.50	ACUITE A3 (Indicative)
	Post Shipment Credit	Short term	2.50	ACUITE A3 (Indicative)
	Standby Line of Credit	Long term	1.50	ACUITE BBB- (Indicative)
	Bank Guarantee	Short term	0.05	ACUITE A3 (Indicative)
	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long term	6.95	ACUITE BBB- (Indicative)
04-Jan-2017	Standby Line of Credit	Long term	1.50	ACUITE BBB-/Stable (Assigned)
	Post Shipment Credit	Short term	2.50	ACUITE A3 (Assigned)
	Packing Credit	Short term	6.50	ACUITE A3 (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short term	0.05	ACUITE A3 (Assigned)
	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long term	6.95	ACUITE BBB-/Stable (Assigned)

#Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Crore)	Ratings/Outlook
Packing Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	13.75	ACUITE A3 Issuer not co-operating*
Post Shipment Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	2.50	ACUITE A3 Issuer not co-operating*
Standby Line of Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1.50	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*
Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.05	ACUITE A3 Issuer not co-operating*
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1.18	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	2.00	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*
Working Capital Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.96	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*
Proposed Long Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.61	ACUITE BBB- Issuer not co-operating*

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