

Press Release

United Overseas Finance Limited March 30, 2024

Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	12.00	ACUITE BB- Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	12.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reaffirmed the long-term rating of 'ACUITE BB-' (read as ACUITE double B minus) on the Rs.12.00 Cr. bank facilities of United Overseas Finance Limited (UOFL). The rating continous to be flagged as "Issuer not corporating" and is based on the best avaliable information.

About the Company

Tamil Nadu based United Overseas Finance Limited (UOFL) is a non-deposit taking Non-Banking Financial Company. The company commenced its operations in 2007 and is engaged in financing used medium and heavy commercial vehicles (CVs) and providing SME loans against property. In FY2019, UOFL also commenced extending micro-credit loans to women borrowers through Joint Liability Group (JLG) model. UOFL is promoted by Mr. Prakash Chand Jain and his sons. The family was earlier engaged in the business of financing used CVs under proprietary concern and in 2007 they acquired an existing NBFC - Chordia Finance Private Limited and renamed it to United Overseas Finance Limited. The company has a presence in 12 districts across Tamil Nadu and Puducherry collectively through its direct sales agents and has four branches for operating its micro-financing activities as on March 31, 2021.

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 ind rating is based.	icative credit
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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:

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

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

Not Applicable

Any other information

None

Applicable Criteria

- Non-Banking Financing Entities: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-44.htm
- Banks And Financial Institutions: https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-45.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

In order to inform the investors about complexity of instruments, Acuité has categorized such instruments in three levels: Simple, Complex and Highly Complex. Acuite's categorisation of the instruments across the three categories is based on factors like variability of the returns to the investors, uncertainty in cash flow patterns, number of counterparties and general understanding of the instrument by the market. It has to be understood that complexity is different from credit risk and even an instrument categorized as 'Simple' can carry high levels of risk. For more details, please refer Rating Criteria "Complexity Level Of Financial Instruments" on www.acuite.in.

Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
06 Jan	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE BB- (Issuer not co- operating*)
2023	Cash Credit	Long Term	10.00	ACUITE BB- (Issuer not co- operating*)
21 Jan	Proposed Bank Facility	Long Term	2.00	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
2022	Cash Credit	Long Term	10.00	ACUITE BB- Stable (Reaffirmed)

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 Maharashtra	Not avl. / Not appl.	Credit	Not avl. / Not appl.	/ Not	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	10.00	ACUITE BB- Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*
Not Applicable		Proposed Long Term Bank Facility		Not avl. / Not appl.	Not avl. / Not appl.	Simple	2.00	ACUITE BB- Reaffirmed Issuer not co- operating*

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