



**Press Release**  
**ESS CEE ENTERPRISES**  
**October 31, 2025**

**Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating**

| Product                               | Quantum<br>(Rs. Cr) | Long Term Rating                                     | Short Term<br>Rating |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Bank Loan Ratings                     | 13.10               | ACUITE B-   Reaffirmed   Issuer not<br>co-operating* | -                    |
| Total Outstanding<br>Quantum (Rs. Cr) | 13.10               | -                                                    | -                    |
| Total Withdrawn Quantum<br>(Rs. Cr)   | 0.00                | -                                                    | -                    |

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

**Rating Rationale**

Acuite has reaffirmed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE B-**' (read as **ACUITE B minus**) on the Rs. 13.10 crore bank facilities of Ess Cee Enterprises. The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not-Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

**About the Company**

Ess Cee Enterprises is a Bangalore based partnership firm established by Mr. B.V. Shashidhar and Mr. K.R. Chandrashekar in 1997. The firm is engaged in the printing and manufacturing of corrugated boxes and has installed capacity of 20 lakh boxes per annum.

**Unsupported Rating**

Not Applicable

**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 the 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.

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

**Limitation regarding information availability**

This 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. Any rating with the suffix 'Issuer not cooperating' is assigned without any management interaction with the issuer entity or any data / information from the entity. Sometimes this non co-operation by a rated entity

may be due to a result of deterioration in the credit risk profile of the entity. Therefore, Acuité cautions lenders and investors regarding the use of such information, on which the indicative

credit rating is 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 16 (Actual) | FY 15 (Actual) |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------------|----------------|
| Operating Income              | Rs. Cr. | 16.35          | 16.38          |
| PAT                           | Rs. Cr. | (0.03)         | 0.11           |
| PAT Margin                    | (%)     | (0.19)         | 0.65           |
| Total Debt/Tangible Net Worth | Times   | 2.21           | 1.18           |
| PBDIT/Interest                | Times   | 2.56           | 3.15           |

### 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

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](http://www.acuite.in).

## Rating History

| Date        | Name of Instruments/Facilities | Term      | Amount (Rs. Cr) | Rating/Outlook                                    |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 06 Aug 2024 | Term Loan                      | Long Term | 5.00            | ACUITE B- (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
|             | Term Loan                      | Long Term | 8.10            | ACUITE B- (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| 09 May 2023 | Term Loan                      | Long Term | 5.00            | ACUITE B- (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
|             | Term Loan                      | Long Term | 8.10            | ACUITE B- (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
| 10 Feb 2022 | Term Loan                      | Long Term | 8.10            | ACUITE B- (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |
|             | Term Loan                      | Long Term | 5.00            | ACUITE B- (Reaffirmed & Issuer not co-operating*) |

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**Annexure - Details of instruments rated**

| Lender's Name       | ISIN                 | Facilities | Date Of Issuance     | Coupon Rate          | Maturity Date        | Quantum (Rs. Cr.) | Complexity Level | Rating                                            |
|---------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| State Bank of India | Not avl. / Not appl. | Term Loan  | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | 5.00              | Simple           | ACUITE B-   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating* |
| State Bank of India | Not avl. / Not appl. | Term Loan  | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | Not avl. / Not appl. | 8.10              | Simple           | ACUITE B-   Reaffirmed   Issuer not co-operating* |

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**Disclosure of list of non-cooperative issuers**

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- Unlisted :- [https://www.acuite.in/Non-Cooperative\\_Issuer\\_Unlisted.php](https://www.acuite.in/Non-Cooperative_Issuer_Unlisted.php)

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