

Press Release

RPW Projects Private Limited

September 21, 2022



Rating Reaffirmed and Issuer not co-operating

Product	Quantum (Rs. Cr)	Long Term Rating	Short Term Rating
Bank Loan Ratings	900.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*	-
Total Outstanding Quantum (Rs. Cr)	900.00	-	-
Total Withdrawn Quantum (Rs. Cr)	0.00	-	-

Rating Rationale

Acuite has reaffirmed the long-term rating of '**ACUITE C**' (read as **ACUITE C**) on the Rs. 900.00 crore bank facilities of RPW Projects Private Limited (RPW). The rating continues to be flagged as "Issuer Not Cooperating" and is based on the best available information.

About the Company

RPW, part of the Essel group was incorporated in 1994. The company was promoted by Essel Infra projects Limited (EIL), the flagship company of the Essel Group. RPW, an EPC contractor company, undertakes projects for the Essel group. It is led by Directors, Mr. Prakash Salikram Shukla, Mr. Pranay Kumar and Mr. Akshay Kirtikar. The company's registered office is located in Mumbai.

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 noncooperation by the issuer along with an 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:

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 endeavored 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

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

Rating Sensitivity

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

Material Covenants

Not Applicable

Liquidity Position

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

Outlook

Not Applicable

Other Factors affecting Rating

None

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA

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.

Applicable Criteria

- Infrastructure Sector: <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-51.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

<https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-55.htm>

Rating History

Date	Name of Instruments/Facilities	Term	Amount (Rs. Cr)	Rating/Outlook
28 Jun 2021	Term Loan	Long Term	400.00	ACUITE C (Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	500.00	ACUITE C (Issuer not co-operating*)
02 Apr 2020	Term Loan	Long Term	400.00	ACUITE C (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	500.00	ACUITE C (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
22 May 2019	Term Loan	Long Term	400.00	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
	Term Loan	Long Term	500.00	ACUITE BB (Downgraded and Issuer not co-operating*)
30 Jan 2019	Term Loan	Long Term	400.00	ACUITE BBB- (Ratings Under Watch)
	Term Loan	Long Term	500.00	ACUITE BBB- (Ratings Under Watch)
07 Jun 2018	Term Loan	Long Term	400.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	500.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Reaffirmed)
30 Jun 2017	Term Loan	Long Term	500.00	ACUITE BBB- Stable (Assigned)

Annexure - Details of instruments rated

Lender's Name	ISIN	Facilities	Date Of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Quantum (Rs. Cr.)	Rating
Yes Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	500.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*
Yes Bank Ltd	Not Applicable	Term Loan	Not available	Not available	Not available	400.00	ACUITE C Reaffirmed Issuer not co-operating*

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