

Press Release

Southfield Paints Limited

November 20, 2018



Rating Update

Total Bank Facilities Rated*	Rs.16.14 Cr. #
Long Term Rating	ACUITE BB Issuer not co-operating*
Short Term Rating	ACUITE A4+ Issuer not co-operating*

#Refer Annexure for details

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

Rating Rationale

Acuité has reviewed the long term rating to '**ACUITE BB**' (read as **ACUITE double B**) and short term rating to '**ACUITE A4+**' (read as **ACUITE A four plus**) to the Rs.16.14 crore bank facilities of Southfield Paints Limited. This rating is now an indicative rating and is based on best available information.

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/criteria-default.htm>
- Financial Ratios And Adjustments - <https://www.acuite.in/criteria-fin-ratios.htm>
- Entities In Manufacturing Sector - <https://www.acuite.in/view-rating-criteria-4.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:

SPL, incorporated in 1972 is a Bengaluru-based company engaged in manufacturing of liquid paints and powder coatings. The products manufactured by SPL includes Synthetic Enamels, stoving Enamels, Epoxy Paints- Air drying and stoving, P.U. Paints, Conformal Coating AR, High Temperature Paints, chlorinated Rubber paint, general and Industrial primers, putties, surfacers, thinners, Strippable lacquers, Anti-skid and Aluminum paints. The products find application in Aircraft industry, electronics and automobile industry.

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
11 th Sep 2017	Term Loan	Long Term	0.23	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	4.37	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Term Loan	Long Term	4.50	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Cash Credit	Long Term	4.00	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Proposed Long Term Loan	Long Term	0.54	ACUITE BB/ Stable (Assigned)
	Letter of Credit	Short Term	1.50	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)
	Bank Guarantee	Short Term	1.00	ACUITE A4+ (Assigned)

*Annexure – Details of instruments rated

Name of the Facilities	Date of Issuance	Coupon Rate	Maturity Date	Size of the Issue (Rs. Cr.)	Ratings/Outlook
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.23	ACUITE BB (Indicative)
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	4.37	ACUITE BB (Indicative)
Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	4.50	ACUITE BB (Indicative)
Cash Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	4.00	ACUITE BB (Indicative)
Proposed Long Term Loan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	0.54	ACUITE BB (Indicative)
Letter of Credit	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1.50	ACUITE A4+ (Indicative)
Bank Guarantee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1.00	ACUITE A4+ (Indicative)

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